

Ventura County, CA

**Multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan
Update**

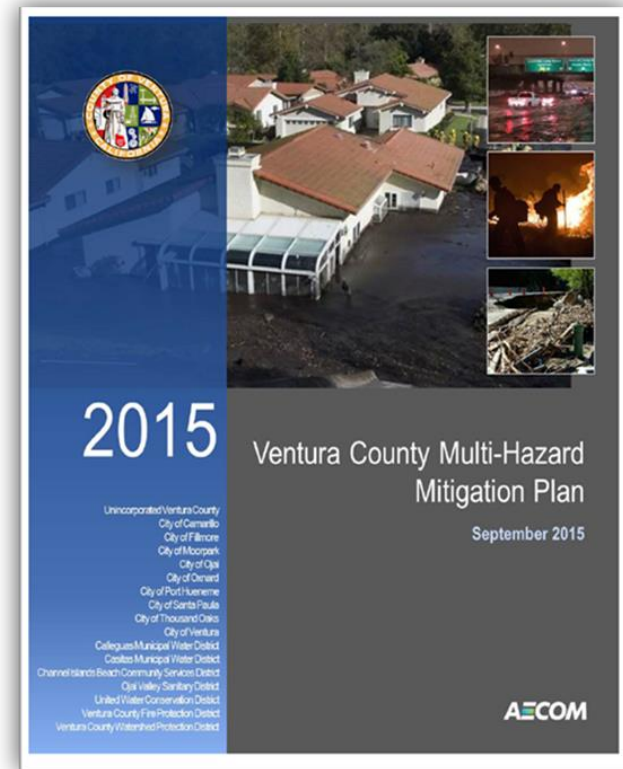
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November 18, 2021



Hazard Mitigation Plan

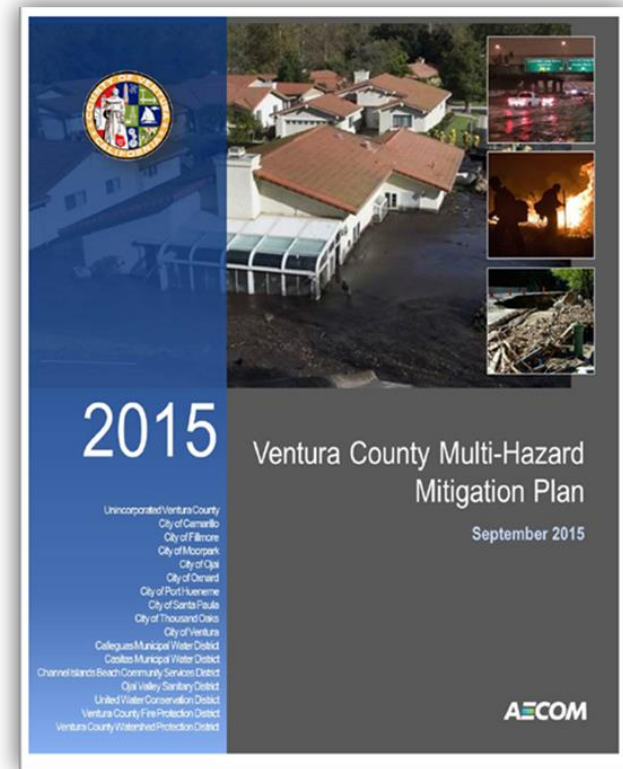
- Updated every 5 years
- A multi-jurisdictional planning effort
- Inventories natural hazards, assesses risks, and develops mitigation strategies to reduce risks and expedite recovery from disasters
- Establishes eligibility for FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Assistance suite of grant programs (HMGP, FMA and BRIC)



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The 2015 Plan Update

- ✓ 18 Planning Partners
- ✓ Was led by AECOM
- ✓ Identified and prioritized over 65 actions
- ✓ Approved by FEMA on August 2, 2016
- ✓ Plan expired August 2, 2021



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The 2021 Plan Update

- ✓ 24 Planning Partners
- ✓ Includes all components required by the Disaster Mitigation Act (DMA):
 - *risk assessment*
 - *public outreach and participation*
 - *process for update*
 - *formal State and FEMA review*
 - *documentation of acceptance by the community*
- ✓ Committee-based approach centered upon a comprehensive, quantitative risk assessment and robust public engagement strategy.
- ✓ Following the 10-Step Planning script from FEMA's Community Rating System (CRS Program).
- ✓ Plan will be a 2-volume format with Jurisdictional Annexes for each of the planning partners.



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2021 Planning Partners

Municipalities:

- ✓ Camarillo
- ✓ Fillmore
- ✓ Moorpark
- ✓ Ojai
- ✓ Oxnard
- ✓ Port Hueneme
- ✓ Santa Paula
- ✓ Simi Valley
- ✓ Thousand Oaks
- ✓ Ventura
- ✓ Unincorporated Ventura County

Special Purpose Districts:

- ✓ Calleguas Municipal Water District
- ✓ Casitas Municipal Water District
- ✓ Channel Islands Beach Community Services District
- ✓ Ojai Valley Sanitary District
- ✓ United Water Conservation District
- ✓ Ventura County Fire Protection District
- ✓ Ventura County Watershed Protection District

- ✓ Ventura County Office of Education
- ✓ Saticoy Sanitary District
- ✓ Triunfo Water and Sanitation District
- ✓ Ventura Regional Sanitation District
- ✓ Conejo Recreation and Parks District
- ✓ Pleasant Valley Recreation and Parks District
- ✓ California State University, Channel Islands

How is the update being conducted?

- Formation of multidisciplinary Core Planning Team:
 - Sheriff's OES, CEO, Public Works (Watershed Protection District), ITS
- Formation of advisory Steering Committee comprised of key stakeholder groups
 - 17 County and outside organizations represented (DAFN, business, environmental)
 - Composition is intended to complement and maximize CRS accreditation efforts
- Stakeholder / Community Outreach & Feedback
 - Outreach through all media forms (print, social media and e-mail) in English & Spanish.
 - Informational webpage launched from [ReadyVenturaCounty.org](https://www.readyventura.org) site in May 2021
 - Online community awareness survey launched in June 2021
 - 5 Steering Committee meetings (May, June, July, Sept., & Nov.)
 - Interactive Storymap launched in September 2021
 - 5 virtual (interactive) Community Emergency Preparedness workshops (Sept. & Oct) provided information on HMP update and process
 - Spanish, Mixteco & American Sign Language (ASL) interpretation services provided for each meeting.
 - PSA video promoting hazard mitigation and HMP update launched in October 2021
 - Collaborative effort by Public Works, Watershed Protection District and OES
- Draft plan will be posted on [ReadyVenturaCounty.org](https://www.readyventura.org) when available (~ February 2022)



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Timeline

- Contract for update awarded to Tetra Tech
 - Contract finalized in January 2021
 - Start delayed until April 2021 due to COVID-19
- Goals and objectives setting, risk assessment, capabilities assessment, and plan development have been completed. Draft plan is in process of being compiled.
- 3-week public comment period is projected for February 2022
- Target for submittal to CalOES/FEMA is April 2022
- Target for presentation to BOS is July-August 2022



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Questions?



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