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Board of Supervisors  
County of Ventura  
800 South Victoria Avenue  
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**Subject: Approval of, and Authorization for the County Floodplain Administrator or His Designee to Submit to Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan 2022 Progress Report, and the Community Rating System Recertification Package; All Supervisorial Districts**

**Recommendations:**

1. Authorize the County Floodplain Administrator or his Designee, to sign the Community Rating System (CRS) recertification package sent to Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).
2. Approve the Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan (MHMP) 2022 Progress Report.
3. Authorize the County Floodplain Administrator, or his Designee, to submit the report to FEMA for CRS Activity 510 - Floodplain Management Planning as part of the CRS recertification package.

**Fiscal/Mandates Impact:**

The recommendations above will have no additional fiscal impact.

**Discussion:**

Since May 1, 2016, unincorporated Ventura County has achieved a Class 5 rating in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) CRS administered by FEMA. A CRS rating reflects the extent to which a community has exceeded the NFIP's minimum standards for flood hazard mitigation and credits those efforts through flood insurance premium discounts. This Class 5 rating allows owners of floodplain properties in the unincorporated




Ventura County to receive annual discounts of up to 25% on flood insurance premiums, an estimated annual total saving of \$256,800 across 748 policies (Data from FEMA's Insurance Services Office). To maintain CRS rating, the County must submit an annual recertification to FEMA demonstrating its continuing efforts to mitigate hazards and encourage a comprehensive approach to floodplain management.

The County of Ventura adopted its first FEMA-approved 2010 MHMP in 2011. As required by the CRS, the MHMP needs to be updated every five years. An updated version of the MHMP was completed in October 2015 and your board adopted the updated MHMP the same month. Efforts to update the MHMP, renamed by FEMA to Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (MJHMP), have been in-progress since May 2021, led by the Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services (OES) and supported by planning partners from unincorporated areas, incorporated cities, and special districts. OES plans to request adoption of the MJHMP by the Board of Supervisors in the coming months.

The County submits annual progress reports on its implementation of the MHMP recommendations to FEMA. The MHMP 2022 Progress Report (Exhibit 1) is one of the CRS annual recertification reporting requirements for Activity 510-Floodplain Management Planning.

This item has been reviewed by the County Executive Office, the Auditor-Controller's Office, and County Counsel. If there are any questions regarding this item, please contact the undersigned at (805) 654-2073.

Sincerely,

  
Jeff Pratt, P.E. Acting  
Director

Attachments:

Exhibit 1 – 2022 Progress Report – Multi Hazard Mitigation Plan (CRS Activity 510)

