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Public Presentation of the Fulton County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan Update

Rochester, IN (November 15, 2019) – Fulton County, in cooperation with Rochester, Akron, Fulton, and Kewanna have prepared an update to the 2011 Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan (MHMP) to address the risk and vulnerability of communities in the county which may be affected by known natural, technological, and political hazards.

The Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (DMA 2000) requires communities to update their MHMP every five years in order to be eligible for any future mitigation funding through the Indiana Department of Homeland Security and the Federal Emergency Management Agency. The intent of the MHMP is to plan for a disaster before it occurs in order to reduce the physical, social and economic impact of that disaster.

The draft Fulton County MHMP Update may be reviewed on the City of Rochester's website (<u>www.rochester.in.us</u>) or Fulton County Government's Website (<u>co.fulton.in.us</u>).

Topics covered in the Update include: an overview of the planning requirements; a summary of the risk assessment and vulnerability analysis; and proposed mitigation projects for prevention, property protection, natural resource protection, emergency services, structural control projects, and public information.

Comments will be accepted through Friday, December 6, 2019. Please submit comments to Larry Hoover at 574.223.6611 or <u>dir.ema@co.fulton.in.us</u>

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