

# OREGON NATURAL HAZARDS MITIGATION PLAN 2015



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Governor

July 1, 2015

Mr. Kenneth Murphy, Region X Administrator  
Federal Emergency Management Agency  
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Dear Mr. Murphy,

The State of Oregon is pleased to submit the updated *Oregon Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan*.

The Plan's stated mission, *Create a disaster-resilient State of Oregon*, is supported by its vision that ultimately *Natural hazard events result in no loss of life, minimal property damage, and limited long-term impacts to the economy*. The Plan contains the most complete and up-to-date description of Oregon's natural hazards and their probability, the State's vulnerabilities, its mitigation strategies and implementation capability. It is the result of a coordinated effort overseen by the State Interagency Hazard Mitigation Team, a collaborative body providing expertise and support for natural hazard mitigation planning and implementation statewide.

The *Oregon Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan* meets the requirements of Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, as amended, as well as those of 44 CFR 201 and 206, maintaining the State of Oregon's eligibility for Stafford Act assistance and non-disaster hazard mitigation programs. The Plan includes a Repetitive Loss Strategy meeting the requirements of 44 CFR §201.4(c)(3)(v) which qualifies the state to request increased funding for mitigating repetitive loss properties under the Flood Mitigation Assistance Program. The Plan also meets the Enhanced Plan requirements of 44 CFR 201.5 which qualifies the state to receive additional funding under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. The Enhanced Plan designation recognizes the State of Oregon's commitment to maintaining and supporting a comprehensive natural hazard mitigation program.

I hereby adopt the Oregon Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan and assure that the State of Oregon will continue to comply with all applicable federal statutes and regulations in effect with respect to the periods for which it receives grant funding in compliance with 44 CFR 13.11(c), and will amend this plan as necessary to reflect changes in state or federal statutes and regulations as required in 44 CFR 13.11(d).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kate Brown".

Governor Kate Brown

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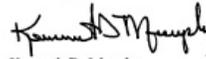


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We look forward to continuing a productive relationship between FEMA Region X and the State of Oregon. Please contact our Regional Mitigation Planning Manager, Kristen Meyers, at 425-487-4543, or our Mitigation Division Director, Mark Carey, at 425-487-4687 with any questions or for further assistance.

Sincerely,

  
Kenneth D. Murphy  
Regional Administrator

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**FEMA**

September 24, 2015

Honorable Kate Brown  
Governor, State of Oregon  
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Dear Governor Brown:

Congratulations, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has approved the 2015 update to the *Oregon Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan* as an Enhanced State Plan, in accordance with 44 CFR Part 201.5. The State of Oregon continues to be eligible for Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (Stafford Act) non-emergency programs through September 23, 2020. To continue eligibility, the plan must be reviewed, revised as appropriate and re-submitted for approval within five years from the date of this letter.

As a result of the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, states and tribes are required to develop and maintain hazard mitigation plans compliant with FEMA standards as a condition for receiving non-emergency Stafford Act assistance. Applicable Stafford Act assistance includes Public Assistance (Categories C-G), Fire Management Assistance, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, and Pre-Disaster Mitigation grants. For local entities and tribes who conduct their emergency management activities and programs through the state, a FEMA approved local plan is required for hazard mitigation project grant eligibility.

FEMA's approval of your updated plan as an Enhanced State Plan provides the State of Oregon continued availability of various Stafford Act programs. All requests for assistance, however, will be evaluated individually according to the specific eligibility and other requirements of the particular programs. For example, a mitigation action identified in the approved plan may or may not meet the eligibility requirements for HMGP funding. FEMA's program specialists are available to answer any questions regarding specific program requirements and eligibility.

FEMA approval of your Enhanced State mitigation plan is based partially on a review of your mitigation program management performance [44 CFR 201.5 (b)(2)(iii) A-D] since the State of Oregon's previous Enhanced State mitigation plan approval. It is important to be aware that when you submit your next plan update for FEMA approval, in accordance with our regulatory requirement, the review of your mitigation program management performance will cover the full period of time between this approval and the next submission of your plan.

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