



MEMORANDUM

Comfort Lake-Forest Lake Watershed District

Date: December 13, 2023
To: CLFLWD Board of Managers
From: Mike Kinney, District Administrator
Subject: Washington County Hazard Mitigation Plan



District Wide

Washington County

The purpose of this agenda item is to consider adopting the enclosed resolution, thereby adopting Washington County's All Hazard Mitigation Plan. This action will allow the District to access Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) grant funds for activities such as flood hazard mitigation projects.

Allison Strohl, Emergency Management Senior Planner with the Washington County Sheriff's Office will attend the December 20th board meeting and give a presentation on the plan and FEMA grants.

Chisago County

On a related note, staff reached out to Chisago County Emergency Management staff for more information on its process. Chisago County is just getting started on the process to update its All-Hazard Mitigation Plan. The first planning team meeting will be scheduled for early 2024. The County aims to complete the plan near the end of 2024. District staff have been added to the County's contact list and will participate in the County's planning process. We anticipate bringing a similar resolution forward for Chisago County's plan this time next year.

Recommended Motion

Manager _____ moves to adopt resolution 23-12-01 adopting the Washington County All-Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Attached

Resolution 23-12-01

Hyperlinks

[Washington County All-Hazard Mitigation Plan – Final Plan](#)

[Chisago County All-Hazard Mitigation Plan Webpage](#)

**COMFORT LAKE-FOREST LAKE WATERSHED DISTRICT
BOARD OF MANAGERS**

RESOLUTION 23-12-01

**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT the
WASHINGTON COUNTY ALL-HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**

Manager _____ offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Manager _____:

WHEREAS, the Comfort Lake-Forest Lake Watershed District has participated in the hazard mitigation planning process as established under the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, and

WHEREAS, the Act establishes a framework for the development of a multi-jurisdictional County Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Act as part of the planning process requires public involvement and local coordination among neighboring local units of government and businesses; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Plan includes a risk assessment including past hazards, hazards that threaten the County, an estimate of structures at risk, a general description of land uses and development trends; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Plan includes a mitigation strategy including goals and objectives and an action plan identifying specific mitigation projects and costs; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Plan includes a maintenance or implementation process including plan updates, integration of the plan into other planning documents and how Washington County will maintain public participation and coordination; and

WHEREAS, the Plan has been shared with the Minnesota Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management and the Federal Emergency Management Agency for review and comment; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County All-Hazard Mitigation Plan will make the county and participating jurisdictions eligible to receive FEMA hazard mitigation assistance grants; and

WHEREAS, this is a multi-jurisdictional Plan and local units of government may choose to also adopt the County Plan.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Comfort Lake-Forest Lake Watershed District supports the hazard mitigation planning effort and wishes to adopt the Washington County All-Hazard Mitigation Plan.

The question was on the adoption of the above resolution and there were ____ ayes and ____ nays as follows:

Manager	Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Stephen Schmaltz				
Christopher Loth				
Dave Bakke				
Jackie Anderson				
Doug Toavs				

The President declared the resolution adopted.

Dated: December 20, 2023

Dave Bakke, Secretary

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I, Dave Bakke, Secretary of the Comfort Lake-Forest Lake Watershed District Board of Managers, do hereby certify that the above resolution is a true and correct transcription of an action of the Board taken on the date above indicated.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this ____ day of _____ 2023.

Dave Bakke, Secretary