



WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS
County Courthouse

August 6, 2015

MEETING OF THE
WASHINGTON COUNTY QUORUM COURT
COUNTY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Monday, August 10, 2015
(Immediately following Special Quorum Court)
Washington County Quorum Court Room

~~Vice-Chair John Firmin~~
Robert Dennis
Tom Lundstrum

Chair Eva Madison

Daniel Balls
Sharon Lloyd
Sue Madison

A G E N D A

1. Call to Order.
2. Adoption of Agenda.
3. Selection of Committee Vice-Chair. This was previously held by John Firmin.
4. Report from Washington County Planning Office – Juliet Richey, Planning Director. (4.1)
5. Report On The Washington County Flood Insurance Study Update: Risk Map Phase 2 - Juliet Richey, Planning Director. (5.1-5.3)
6. Quarterly Report from Washington County Animal Shelter – Angela Ledgerwood, Director. (6.1, 6.2)
7. A Resolution Adopting The Pre-Hazard Mitigation Plan For Washington County, Arkansas. This resolution is being sponsored by JP Tom Lundstrum. (7.1, 7.2)
8. An Ordinance Amending Chapter 2, Section 22 Of The Washington County Code. This is regarding the dissolution of Finance & Budget Committee. This ordinance is being sponsored by JP Eva Madison. (8.1)
9. Update on Quorum Court Organizational Procedures – JP Eva Madison.
10. Other Business: Any other business to be discussed by the Committee will be brought up at this time.
11. Public Comments.
12. Adjournment.

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**WASHINGTON COUNTY
 QUORUM COURT SERVICES COMMITTEE/PLANNING BOARD
 June 16, 2015 to July 15, 2015
 PLANNING DEPARTMENT STAFF REPORT
 Juliet Richey, Director**

WASHINGTON COUNTY STAFF REVIEWED AND APPROVED THE FOLLOWING ADMINISTRATIVELY:

18 PROJECTS (INVOLVING 29 LOTS)

5 EXEMPTION SPLITS - Total of (12) lots

Planning Area		County
Goshen (1)		(1)
Farmington (2)		
Fayetteville (1)		

7 FAMILY SPLITS - Total of (17) lots

Planning Area		County
(0)		(7)

1 CELL TOWER ARRAYS

Planning Area:		County
(0)		(1)

5 LOT LINE ADJUSTMENTS

Planning Area		County
Fayetteville (1)		(4)

AT THE JUNE 25, 2015 PLANNING BOARD / ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS MEETING THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE HEARD:

One Variance was approved:

- Variance for Replat Lot 45 and Lot 35 Tony Mountain Subdivision and Private Road Development –** Variance Request. Project is located solely within the County. Variance Requested for: Private road.

Three Land Development Hearings were approved:

- Replat Lot 45 and Lot 35 Tony Mountain Subdivision and Private Road Development –** Preliminary and Final Replat Approval Request. Project is located solely within the County. (13.24 acres / 3 lots) - Proposed land use: Agricultural / Residential.
- Replat Tract 1 Sims Minor Subdivision –** Preliminary and Final Replat Approval Request. Project is located solely within the County. (28.28 acres / 3 lots) - Proposed land use: Single Family Residential.
- Norma Harrelson Minor Subdivision -** Preliminary and Final Replat Approval Request. Project is located solely within the County. (17.02 acres / 2 lots) - Proposed land use: Single Family Residential.

One Conditional Use Permit was tabled (at the request of the applicant):

- Summers Missionary Baptist Church CUP Youth Center/Gymnasium-** Conditional Use Permit Request. Project is located solely within the County (13 acres). Proposed land use: Church multi-use building/ gymnasium/ youth center.

Two Land Developments were tabled (at the request of the applicant):

- Summers Missionary Baptist Church LSD Youth Center/Gymnasium-** Preliminary Large Scale Development Request. Project is located solely within the County (13 acres). Proposed land use: Church multi-use building/ gymnasium/ youth center.

2. **Eastern Park Subdivision Preliminary Subdivision-** Preliminary Large Scale Development Request. Project is located solely within the County (7.66 acres / 16 lots). Proposed land use: 15 Single Family Residential (1 other lot for septic and detention).

THE JULY 30, 2015 PLANNING BOARD / ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS MEETING WILL CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING:

One Conditional Use Permit Hearing:

1. **Devore Homes CUP-** Conditional Use Permit Request. Project is located solely within the County. (4 acres / 2 lots). Proposed land use: Single Family Residential.

Three Land Development Hearings:

1. **Devore Homes Minor Subdivision** – Preliminary and Final Plat Approval Request. Project is located solely within the County. (4 acres / 2 lots). Proposed land use: Single Family Residential.
2. **Eastern Park Subdivision Preliminary Subdivision-** Preliminary Large Scale Development Request. Project is located solely within the County (7.66 acres / 16 lots). Proposed land use: 15 Single Family Residential (1 other lot for septic and detention).
3. **Ozarks Electrical Cooperative Corp. Solar Tract LSD** – Preliminary Approval Request. Project is located within Springdale's planning area. (12 acres) - Proposed land use: 1 MW Solar Generation Facility.

One Conditional Use Permit to be tabled (at the request of the applicant):

1. **Summers Missionary Baptist Church CUP Youth Center/Gymnasium-** Conditional Use Permit Request. Project is located solely within the County (13 acres). Proposed land use: Church multi-use building/ gymnasium/ youth center.

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Re: Washington County, AR Flood Insurance Study Update
ANRC / FEMA Grant – Risk MAP Phase 2 Mapping Activity Statement 13

Dear Ms. Richey:

Recently, Arkansas Natural Resources Commission (ANRC), in partnership with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), initiated Phase 1 of the Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning (Risk MAP) Program, which is the Discovery Phase. In preparation for and during the Discovery Phase, Washington County, including all incorporated and unincorporated areas, was identified as a strong candidate for a Risk MAP Phase 2 project, which includes engineering and mapping to update the current effective Washington County, AR Flood Insurance Study (FIS) and Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs), referred to collectively as an FIS update. In preparation for a Phase 2 Risk MAP project in late 2014, FEMA, in conjunction with the US Geological Survey (USGS), funded aerial LIDAR acquisition and processing for Washington County. LIDAR is a remote sensing technology used to collect data to prepare a map or model of the ground surface. This model of the ground surface is often referred to as topography and will provide the quality base for the updated engineering and mapping proposed for the Phase 2 Risk MAP project. The LIDAR project was initiated in late 2014 and will be completed in the fall of 2015. The 2015 LIDAR data will be available from FEMA without restriction.

The updated engineering and mapping developed in the proposed Phase 2 Risk MAP project would be based on the newer aerial topographic data recently acquired by FEMA, updated hydrology and hydraulics for the streams currently mapped as approximate, the addition of published Base Flood Elevations (BFEs) added to the FIRMs for some select streams, that are currently mapped as approximate, and updated or new detailed hydrologic and hydraulic analysis for select streams.

The proposed Phase 2 Risk MAP project would be funded using a grant from FEMA to ANRC that will require local cost share. The total project costs for the 2015 LIDAR acquisition and FIS update are \$250,000 and \$475,209 respectively, or \$725,209 for the total project. FEMA's contribution to the total project will be \$612,657 and the community cost share needed is \$112,552. We are requesting Washington County contribute \$31,880, which is 4.4% of the total project cost, to help us meet the cost share requirements.

The proposed Phase 2 Risk MAP tasks of a countywide FIS update project will involve several different types of stream analyses and resulting mapping. The following summarizes the types of analyses and stream mileages within your community that are identified to receive new floodplain mapping as part of the proposed FIS update.

- The proposed FIS update will include performing updated approximate hydrologic and hydraulic analyses and updated floodplain mapping of over 436 miles of streams using the 2015 collected LIDAR (topography) throughout the incorporated and unincorporated areas of Washington County. The resulting special flood hazard area (SFHA) mapping will be supported by GIS and engineering data that will be provided to the communities for use in assisting residents/property owners in defining the BFE for their property. In unincorporated Washington County approximately 363 miles will be updated with a new approximate analysis.
- The FIS update will include updating the SFHA designation from Zone A to Zone AE on approximately 38 miles of streams within the incorporated and unincorporated areas of Washington County. Floodplain mapping that is designated as Zone AE will have BFEs published on the FIRMs. These specific stream miles were studied previously using a methodology referred to as Limited Detail Study (LDS) as part of the Washington County FIS completed in 2008. These models will also be updated with the 2015 LIDAR data that will allow for recent man-made changes in and around the LDS streams to be accounted for in the model without requiring the filing of individual Letters of Map Change. In unincorporated Washington County 12.3 miles of LDS streams will be updated.
- The FIS update will include what is referred to as redelineation for over 100 stream miles of current effective Zone AE floodplain mapping on the FIRMs. Redelineation retains the results of the previously studied current effective stream model, meaning the established BFEs and floodway remain unchanged with respect to elevation; however the SFHA boundaries will be adjusted to be consistent with the 2015 LIDAR. For example, if the BFE on Big Creek is 1,110 ft, the elevation will remain 1,110 ft; however the boundary of the SFHA will be reviewed and revised against the new LIDAR data to match the ground elevation of 1,110 ft using the new LIDAR. In unincorporated Washington County 15.8 miles of existing detailed streams will be redelineated using the new topography.

The stream names and associated mileage for the LDS are provided as an attachment. Also attached is a figure providing an overview of the streams to be included in the proposed Phase 2 Risk MAP FIS Update in Washington County and the subsequent level of analysis that will be applied.

The proposed FIS update will provide many benefits to the communities in Washington County. The LIDAR collected during the winter months of 2014-2015 provides an improved level of vertical accuracy, supporting elevations to within $\pm \frac{1}{2}$ ft, as compared to the topographic base data on the current FIRMs of $\pm 2 \frac{1}{2}$ ft. This improved accuracy will enhance the quality of the SFHA mapping and will help reduce the risk for those property owners who wish to develop safely and soundly in areas in/near SFHAs. A better-defined risk area will aid property owners in making sound judgments on development opportunities, rather than having to invest hundreds of dollars in trying to define the risk themselves. Additional benefits will be realized with the distribution of the GIS and engineering data that will be made available to the communities. This engineering support data will provide established base hydraulic condition for many of the streams in the county, allowing communities and/or property owners to evaluate engineering options such as new hydraulic structures (bridges or culverts) less expensively.

In addition to the updated FIRMs and FIS Report, new products intended to assist communities in the communication of risk to individual homeowners, local businesses, and emergency managers are part of the Risk MAP project. These products will include depth and velocity grids which can be used to identify

the depth of water, or the speed of the water, at a given point, such as a flooding roadway. Probability grids can be used to demonstrate what the chance of flooding is for a location over a 30-year period, which is consistent with the period of a typical home mortgage. These new products and related GIS and engineering data also allow communities to customize their own products, such as utilizing new aerial photography, topography, parcel data, 911 data, and building footprints to assist in protecting people and their property and establishing a sound floodplain management program.

Once FEMA confirms the proposed Phase 2 Risk MAP project cost-share requirements have been satisfied, the Washington County FIS Update is expected to begin October 1, 2015 and culminate December 31, 2016 with the delivery of draft FIRMs for community review.

During the community review of the draft FIRMs, ANRC and FEMA will work with the communities to confirm their agreement to proceed to Risk MAP Phase 3, which involves converting the draft FIRMs to formal preliminary FIRMs for publication and public review, and the subsequent regulatory processes required for FIRM adoption. Risk MAP Phase 3 is funded entirely by FEMA. This process generally takes approximately 1 year and will be initiated once the communities, ANRC, and FEMA agree to move forward.

The community participation and commitment to Risk MAP is extremely important, especially during the critical FIS Update engineering and mapping production phase. By collaborating on the engineering and mapping phase, FEMA, ANRC, and our community partners have the opportunity to develop a relationship whereby we all can take ownership of the FIS update process and participate in the development and delivery of quality final products.

We need to complete our grant application, which includes documentation confirming that we have secured our cost-share commitments, by August 21, 2015. Therefore, we respectfully request your confirmation of your level of participation on/before August 20, 2015.

Sincerely,



Michael Borengasser, CFM
NFIP Coordinator
Arkansas Natural Resources Commission

Enclosures: Summary of Stream Names and Mileage
Washington County Study Streams

Cc: MaryBeth Breed, FTN Associates, Ltd

Summary of Stream Names and Study Method Mileage – Washington County

ID	Flooding Source Name	Current Study Method (Approximate, LDS, Detailed)	Proposed Study Method (Approximate, LDS, Detailed)	Total Mileage (miles)
1	Friendship Creek	LDS – Zone A	LDS – Zone AE	3.2
2	Hamestring Creek (mouth upstream to N. Double Springs Rd)	LDS – Zone A	LDS – Zone AE	2.5
3	Brush Creek (from Tontitown corporate limits downstream)	LDS – Zone A	LDS – Zone AE	1.6
4	Little Wildcat Creek	LDS – Zone A	LDS – Zone AE	0.3
5	White River	LDS – Zone A	LDS – Zone AE	4.7

VICINITY MAP

Washington County Study Streams Map

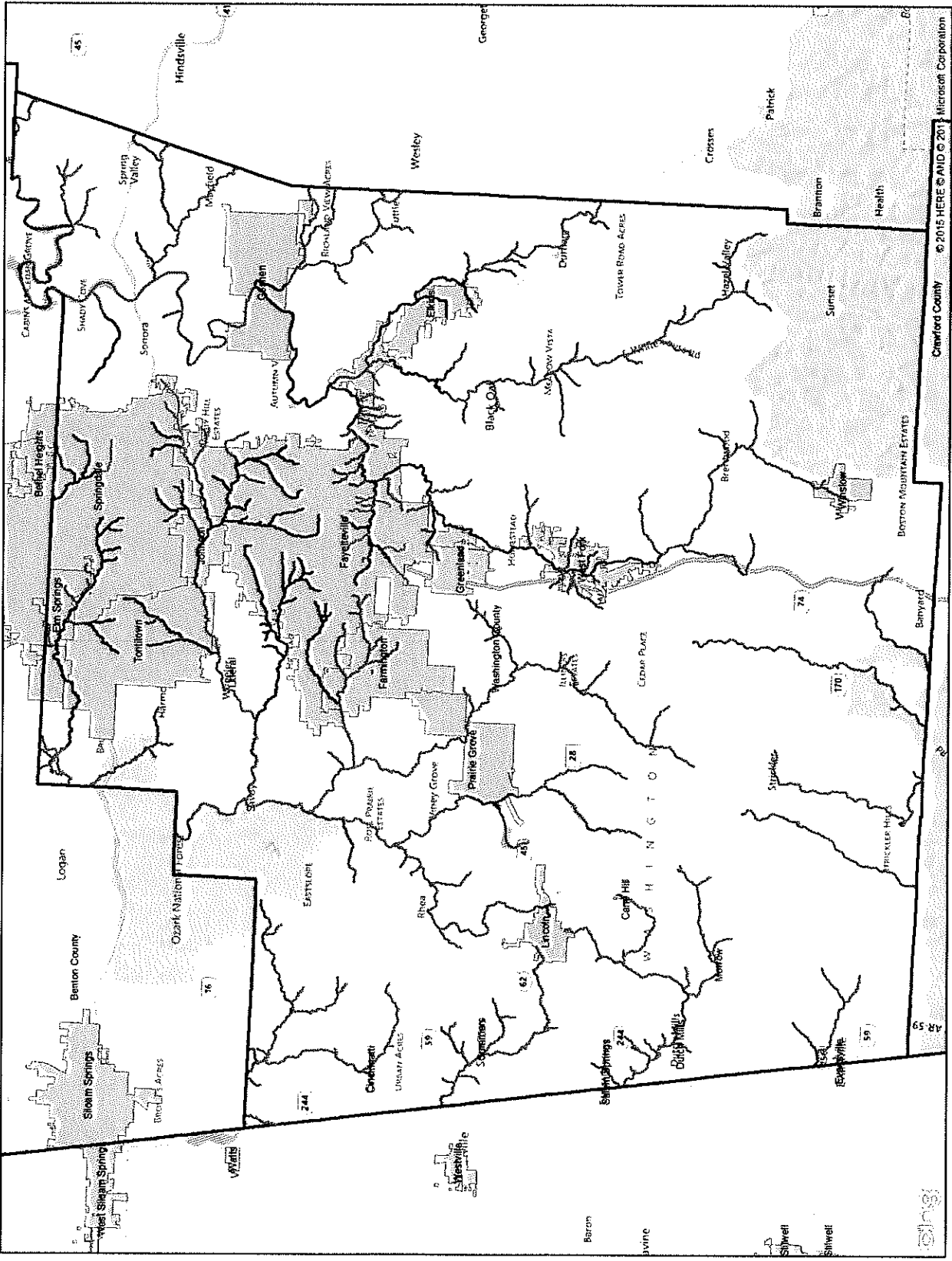
Legend

- Zone A Restudies
- Limited Detail A to AE
- Zone AE Restudies
- Redelineation AE
- Counties
- City Limits

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Map Created - July 26, 2015
 Map & Database System
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Shelter Report 2nd Qtr 2015

April Through June

	<u>Cats</u>	<u>Dogs</u>	
Animal Control	186	151	
Adoption Returns	8	15	
Foster Returns	35	10	
Return from Other	1	2	
Surrender	145	44	
Public Spay/Neuter	80	121	
Total Animals In	455	343	
Total YTD Animals in	664	678	1342
Adopted	101	156	
Euthanized sick/injured/aggression	71	39	
Euthanized for space	0	0	
Fostered	54	11	
Reclaimed	0	28	
Transferred to rescue	15	20	
Rescue Waggin' Program	0	39	
TNR Program	83	0	
Died on Shelter	1	0	
Escaped	0	0	
Total Animals Out	325	293	
Total YTD Animals Out	424	467	

	1st QTR	2nd QTR	Total
Adoption/Reclaim Fees	\$ 8,920.05	\$ 2,692.00	\$ 11,612.05
Spay/Neuter Deposits	\$ 2,320.00	\$ 1,550.00	\$ 3,870.00
Contract Income	\$ 7,225.00	\$ 2,465.00	\$ 9,690.00
Cash Donations	\$ 752.00	\$ 260.09	\$ 1,012.09
Humane Society of the Ozarks	\$ 1,557.88	\$ 1,005.72	\$ 2,563.60
	\$ 20,774.93	\$ 7,972.81	\$ 28,747.74
PetSmart Charities Reimbursement	\$ 3,683.92	\$ 2,819.41	\$ 6,503.33
Total Deposited into County Treasury	\$ 24,458.85	\$ 10,792.22	\$ 35,251.07

Calls for Service

	Visitors	Emails	Telephone calls	Total calls for service
April	2237	65	1969	4271
May	1732	41	2111	3884
June	2006	62	1932	4000
Public Spay/Neuter				106
2nd QTR calls for service				12261

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-_____

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT
OF THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON,
STATE OF ARKANSAS, A RESOLUTION
TO BE ENTITLED:**

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE PRE-HAZARD
MITIGATION PLAN FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY,
ARKANSAS.**

WHEREAS, certain areas of Washington County are subject to periodic flooding and other natural and man-caused hazards with the potential to cause damages to people’s properties within the area; and,

WHEREAS, Washington County desires to prepare and mitigate for such circumstances; and,

WHEREAS, under the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, in accordance with 44 CFR 201.6, the United States Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) required that local jurisdictions have in place a FEMA-approved Hazard Mitigation Action Plan as a condition of receipt of certain future Federal mitigation funding; and,

WHEREAS, to assist cities and the county in meeting this requirement, Washington County, with the assistance of Arkansas Technical University, has initiated development of a county-wide multi-jurisdiction Pre-Hazard Mitigation Plan for the County and all jurisdictions in the County, specifically the cities and school districts.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM
COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS:**

ARTICLE 1. Washington County hereby adopts the Pre-Hazard Mitigation Plan in its entirety.

ARTICLE 2. Washington County appoints the Emergency Management Director to assure that the Pre-Hazard Mitigation Plan will be reviewed at least annually and that any needed adjustment to the Pre-Hazard Mitigation Plan be developed and presented to the Quorum Court for consideration.

ARTICLE 3. Washington County hereby agrees to take such other official action as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the objectives of the Pre-Hazard Mitigation Plan.

MARILYN EDWARDS, County Judge

BECKY LEWALLEN, County Clerk

Sponsor: _____ Tom Lundstrum
Date of Passage: _____
Votes For: _____ Votes Against: _____
Abstention: _____ Absent: _____

General Description

This Washington County Pre-Hazard Mitigation Plan (WCHMP) was created to protect the health, safety, and economic interests of Washington County residents by reducing the risk of natural hazards. The plan provides a path toward continuous, proactive identification, and reduction of vulnerability to the most frequent hazards that result in repetitive and often severe social, economic, and physical damage. This plan provides a foundation for hazard mitigation activities within the municipalities of Washington County.

This WCHMP is also established to fulfill federal, state, and local hazard mitigation planning requirements. The Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (DMA 2000), Section 322 (a-d) in accordance with 44 CFR 201.6 requires local governments to have an approved local mitigation plan as a condition of receiving future federal disaster mitigation funds. The Washington County Hazard Mitigation Plan has been updated in its entirety as of 12/15/2014.

In the past, federal legislation has provided funding for disaster relief, recovery, and some hazard mitigation planning. The Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (DMA 2000) is the latest legislation to improve this planning process. DMA 2000 amended the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act by repealing the previous Mitigation Planning section (409) and replacing it with a new Mitigation Planning section (322). This new section emphasizes the need for State, Tribal, and Local entities to closely coordinate mitigation planning and implementation efforts. The new legislation reinforces the importance of mitigation planning and emphasizes planning for disasters before they occur. As such, this Act establishes a pre-disaster hazard mitigation program and new requirements for the national post-disaster Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP). It also requires that communities must have an approved hazard mitigation plan in order to receive assistance through the Stafford Act, excluding assistance provided pursuant to emergency provisions.

Development and implementation of the Plan has been and will be directed by the WCHMP Steering Committee, composed of the Executive Board of the Washington County Emergency Services Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC). The Steering Committee has appointed a Planning Committee, composed of representatives of the municipalities and other stakeholders, to oversee formulation and maintenance of the WCHMP, and to coordinate action items between the involved municipalities. Washington County Office of Emergency Management (WCOEM) is the agency tasked with supporting the Planning Committee in developing and maintaining the WCHMP. Implementing this plan provides several benefits to Washington County, its residents, and communities, including:

- Saving lives and protecting property
- Reducing vulnerability to future hazardous events
- Facilitating post-disaster funding for mitigation assistance
- Speeding the recovery process after a disaster
- Improving long-term community health
- Involving the public in decision-making, and
- Demonstrating community support for emergency management and hazard mitigation.

The Washington County Hazard Mitigation Plan is being developed to assess the ongoing all-hazard mitigation activities in Washington County, to evaluate additional mitigation measures that should be undertaken, and to outline a strategy for implementation of mitigation projects. This plan is multi-jurisdictional; the planning area comprises all of unincorporated Washington County, Cities of Elkins, Elm Springs, Farmington, Fayetteville, Goshen, Greenland, Johnson, Lincoln, Prairie Grove, Springdale, Tontitown, West Fork and Winslow, Washington County School Districts – Elkins, Farmington, Fayetteville, Greenland, Lincoln, Prairie Grove, Springdale, West Fork, and the University of Arkansas. A map showing the locations of each of these jurisdictions within Washington County is in the Maps section of this report.

Formal adoption and implementation of a hazard mitigation plan presents many benefits to Washington County and its residents. By identifying problems and possible solutions in advance of a disaster, Washington County and participating communities and school districts will be in a better position to obtain pre- and post-disaster funding. Specifically, the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 establishes a pre-disaster hazard mitigation program and new requirements for the national post-disaster Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP). It requires that states and communities have a FEMA approved hazard mitigation plan in place prior to receiving post disaster HMGP funds. Adoption of this hazard mitigation strategy will also increase Washington County's eligibility for assistance from FEMA's Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) program. Washington County and participating communities will also gain additional credit points under FEMA's Community Rating System (CRS) program, which provides discounts on National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) flood insurance premiums for residents of communities that voluntarily participate in this program. Most importantly, Washington County will be able to recover faster and more wisely from a disaster. Through planning and acting on local mitigation strategies, the city will reduce vulnerability to disasters and identify opportunities for mitigation. In addition, the communities may meet comprehensive planning and other planning requirements and achieve community goals.

Purpose and Authority

The purpose of the Washington County Hazard Mitigation Plan is to provide guidance for hazard mitigation activities in Washington County. The Washington County Office of Emergency Management has the responsibility to coordinate all local activities relating to hazard evaluation and mitigation and to prepare and submit to FEMA a Local Mitigation Plan following the criteria established in 44 CFR 201.4 and Section 322 of the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (Public Law 106-390). The Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 became law on October 30, 2000, and amends the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (the "Stafford Act") (Public Law 93-288, as amended). Regulations for this activity can be found in Title 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 206, Subpart M.

This plan meets requirements for a local mitigation plan under Interim Final Rule 44 CFR 201.4, published in the Federal Register by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) on February 28, 2002. Meeting the requirements of the regulations cited above keeps Washington County qualified to obtain all disaster assistance including hazard mitigation grants available through the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, P.L. 93-288, as amended.

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-_____

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUORUM COURT
OF THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON,
STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE
TO BE ENTITLED:**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2,
SECTION 22 OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY
CODE.**

WHEREAS, the Washington County Quorum Court has the power and authority, pursuant to A.C.A. § 14-14-801 to organize itself into committees; and,

WHEREAS, Washington County Code Section 2-22 (b), as adopted in 2013, provided that the Finance and Budget Committee was to be a Committee of the Whole; and,

WHEREAS, the Quorum Court voted on July 16, 2015 to dissolve the Finance and Budget Committee; and,

WHEREAS, the Quorum Court's decision to dissolve the Finance and Budget Committee makes it necessary to amend Washington County Code Section 2-22.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUORUM
COURT OF THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS:**

ARTICLE 1. Washington County Code Section 2-22 is hereby amended to read as follows:

(a) The following committees of the Quorum Court are hereby established:

- (1) County Services;
- (2) Jail/Law Enforcement/Courts;
- (3) Personnel; and,
- (4) Public Works. ~~;~~ and
- (5) ~~Finance and Budget.~~

~~(b) The Finance and Budget Committee shall be a committee of the whole comprised of all fifteen (15) members of the Quorum Court.~~

- (e) (b) Each committee shall provide for its own organization and management of its affairs, including the election of its own chair and vice chair.

ARTICLE 2. The actions of the respective committees of the Quorum Court as they met and convened from January 2, 2015 through July 16, 2015 are hereby ratified and confirmed in their entirety, provided however, that nothing in this Article shall be construed to mean that an action of a committee that was not approved by the full Quorum Court shall have the force of law.

MARILYN EDWARDS, County Judge

DATE

BECKY LEWALLEN, County Clerk

Sponsor: _____ Eva Madison

Date of Passage: _____

Votes For: _____ Votes Against: _____

Abstention: _____ Absent: _____