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**Multnomah County, Oregon**  
**NATURAL HAZARDS MITIGATION PLAN**



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The 2012 Multnomah County Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan is a living document which will be reviewed and updated periodically.

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# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This 2012 Multnomah County Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan covers each of the major natural hazards that pose risks to the District. The 2012 Mitigation Plan is an update and enhancement of the 2006 Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan.

The primary objective of the mitigation plan is to reduce the negative impacts of future disasters on Multnomah County: to save lives and reduce injuries, minimize damage to buildings and infrastructure (especially critical facilities) and minimize economic losses. This mitigation plan is an educational and planning document, not a regulatory document.

This mitigation plan meets FEMA's planning requirements by addressing hazards, vulnerability and risk. Hazard means the frequency and severity of disaster events. Vulnerability means the value, importance, and fragility of buildings and infrastructure. Risk means the threat to people, buildings and infrastructure, taking into account the probabilities of disaster events. Adoption of a mitigation plan is required for communities to remain eligible for future FEMA mitigation grant funds.

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