

TO: JAMES L. APP, CITY MANAGER
FROM: BOB LATA, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR
SUBJECT: LOCAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN
DATE: APRIL 19, 2005

Needs: To consider adoption of a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP) to fulfill the requirements of Federal Regulations pertaining to Hazard Mitigation Grants.

Facts:

1. Federal regulations governing assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) provide that local jurisdictions must have a FEMA-approved LHMP in order to apply for Hazard Mitigation Grants.
2. An LHMP is a plan by which the City would take proactive steps to mitigate impacts from a comprehensive list of possible future disasters, including, but not limited to, earthquakes, flooding, landslides, wildland fires, and hazardous material incidents. Attached is a brief summary of LHMP requirements.
3. At its meeting of March 15, 2005, the City Council opened a public hearing on the LHMP. At that hearing, Councilmember Strong stated that he had several comments and questions about the Draft plan. The Council continued the hearing in order to allow staff to meet with Councilmember Strong to review his comments.
4. Councilmember Strong submitted a set of written comments and met with staff to discuss them. A copy of his comments and the response to them is attached.
5. The Final Draft LHMP has been revised to address most of Councilmember Strong's suggestions. Copies of the Final Draft LHMP will be distributed to the Council under separate cover. Copies will be placed in the Library and at the public counter in City Hall.

Analysis and Conclusion: The nature of Councilmember Strong's comments was to recommend additional information and to clarify policy statements. Most of his comments were incorporated into the Final Draft LHMP. Some suggested additional research that would be beyond the scope of the contract with URS Corp., but could be earmarked for being addressed in the next update of the LHMP.

Attached is a copy of the proposed 5 Year Action Plan with the recommended changes in **bold/underlined** type.

Policy Reference: Federal regulations governing FEMA assistance.

Fiscal Impact: Hazard Mitigation Grants require that applicants provide a 25% match, which may include in-kind expenses such as staff time. Presently, the City has an pending application with FEMA for a Hazard Mitigation Grant for up to \$82,500 to recover up to 75% of the costs of preparing the LHMP. To date, the City has invested \$64,911 in contracted consultant fees, staff time, and expenses for printing, postage, and a public notice.

Options: After consideration of all public testimony, that the City Council consider the following options:

- a. Adopt attached Resolution No. 05-xx adopting a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan
- b. Amend, modify or reject the foregoing options.

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Housing Programs Manager

Attachments:

1. Resolution Adopting a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan
2. 5 Year Action Plan
3. Responses to Councilmember Strong's Comments

RESOLUTION NO. 05-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASO ROBLES
ADOPTING A LOCAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 as set forth in 44 CFR Part 201, the City of Paso Robles has prepared a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan ("the Plan") to identify the risks to lives and property created by those natural and artificial hazards pertinent to the City and to formulate a set of goals, objectives and actions to mitigate the risks created by such hazards; and

WHEREAS, the process of preparing the Plan included consultation with other affected governmental agencies in the manner described on Pages 6 through 10 of the Plan; and

WHEREAS, beginning on October 12, 2004, the public was invited to review and comment on the Draft Hazard Mitigation Plan ("the Draft Plan") via a press releases, posting the Draft plan on the City's web site, and the holding of a public meeting on the Draft Plan on October 26, 2004; and

WHEREAS, the City did not receive any comments from the public on the Draft Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Draft Plan was submitted to the California Department of Emergency Services ("Cal OES") and to the Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA") for their review and comment; and

WHEREAS, in December 2004, Cal OES notified the City that it recommended approval of the Draft Plan; and

WHEREAS, in December 2004, FEMA notified the City that it recommended minor changes to the Draft Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Plan incorporates revisions to the Draft Plan to address comments made by FEMA.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DETERMINED AND ORDERED by the City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles as follows:

1. The Local Hazard Mitigation Plan dated March 2005 labeled Exhibit A is approved and incorporated by reference and is on file with a record of the proceedings.
2. The above Recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by this reference.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Paso Robles this 19th day of April 2005 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Frank R. Mecham, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sharilyn M. Ryan, Deputy City Clerk



TABLE 7-8
MITIGATION ACTION PLAN

Actions	Category of Benefit	Priority	Economic Justification	Implementation Responsibility	General Resources Required	Potential Funding Sources	Implementation Schedule
<p>1.B.1 Continue to implement and improve the City's Uniform Building Codes relative to fire safety (fire-retardant roof covering and sprinkler systems) and flood safety, <u>and investigate, and implement if feasible, new measures to avoid impacts in landslide-prone areas (hillsides) and in potential subsidence areas.</u></p>	<p><i>Prevention</i> <i>Property Protection</i> <i>Structural Projects</i></p>	<p><i>High</i></p>	<p><i>Existing UBCs (wildland fire and flood) significantly reduce vulnerability, and new UBCs (landslide and subsidence) will do the same.</i></p>	<p><i>Community Development Dept.</i> <i>Emergency Services Dept.</i></p>	<p><i>Existing UBCs: ¼ FTE-month annually for enforcement annually; ½ FTE-month annually to review State code changes</i> <i>New UBCs: 1 FTE month every 3 years to develop new codes</i></p>	<p><i>Existing: General Fund</i> <i>New: General Fund</i></p>	<p><i>Every 3 years (or in conjunction with the State's schedule of adopting updated building and safety codes)</i></p>
<p>2.A.1 Continue to seek Pre Disaster Mitigation (PDM) and Hazard Mitigation Grant Program funds (HMGP).</p>	<p><i>Prevention</i> <i>Property Protection</i></p>	<p><i>Medium</i></p>	<p><i>Grant funds provide direct economic resources to the City for hazard mitigation activities that reduce the threat to life and property.</i></p>	<p><i>Community Development Dept. (Housing Programs Manager)</i> <i>Public Works Dept. (Capital Projects Engineer)</i></p>	<p><i>¼ FTE-month annually</i></p>	<p><i>General Fund</i></p>	<p><i>Ongoing</i></p>



TABLE 7-8 (CONTINUED)
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Actions	Category of Benefit	Priority	Economic Justification	Implementation Responsibility	General Resources Required	Potential Funding Sources	Implementation Schedule
2.A.3 Continue and maintain relationship with the California Office of Emergency Services and the San Luis Obispo County Office of Emergency Services.	<i>Prevention</i> <i>Property Protection</i> <i>Natural Resources Protection</i> <i>Emergency Services</i>	<i>Medium</i>	<i>Maintaining these relationships facilitates the exchange of information on hazard mitigation and may lead to collaborative hazard mitigation actions and cost-sharing.</i>	<i>Emergency Services Dept.</i> <i>City Manager</i>	<i>1/8 FTE-month annually</i>	<i>General Fund</i>	<i>Ongoing</i>
4.A.1 The City will continue efforts toward water infrastructure improvements of channels, storm drains, diversions, and retention basins in the City for flood protection.	<i>Prevention</i> <i>Property Protection</i> <i>Natural Resources Protection</i> <i>Structural Projects</i>	<i>Medium</i>	<i>Floods are a moderate threat to life and property in the City. This action reduces the probability and magnitude of floods.</i>	<i>Public Works Dept. (Capital Projects Engineer and Utilities Engineer)</i> <i>Community Development Dept (City Engineer)</i>	<i>1/4 FTE Annually</i>	<i>Capital Improvement Program; possibly FEMA PDM-C grant program; possibly FEMA FMA grant program.</i> <i>Conditions imposed by City on private development</i>	<i>Ongoing</i>



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4.A.2 Encourage bridge or culvert construction where roads are in locations susceptible to flooding.	<i>Prevention Property Protection Structural Projects</i>	<i>Medium</i>	<i>Floods are a moderate threat to life and property in the City. This action reduces the probability and magnitude of floods.</i>	<i>Public Works Dept. (Capital Projects Engineer)</i>	<i>1/8 FTE annually</i>	<i>Capital Improvement Program</i>	<i>2006 - 2009</i>
4.B.3 Continue the production of an updated storm drain atlas for the City's Storm Drain Master Plan that identifies potential drainage hazards, solutions, budgets, and priorities.	<i>Prevention Property Protection Public Education and Awareness Natural Resources Protection</i>	<i>High</i>	<i>Floods are a moderate threat to life and property in the City. This action reduces the probability and magnitude of floods.</i>	<i>Public Works Dept. (Capital Projects Engineer)</i>	<i>1/8 FTE-month¹ annually</i>	<i>General Fund; possibly PDM-C planning grant Drainage Fees (condition of parcel maps and subdivision maps)</i>	<i>2006 - 2008</i>
5.A.1 Ensure that subdivision regulations for new subdivisions allow adequate access for fire apparatus.	<i>Prevention Property Protection Structural Projects</i>	<i>High</i>	<i>Wildland fires are a significant threat to life and property in the City. This action reduces the magnitude of fires.</i>	<i>Community Development Dept. Emergency Services Dept.</i>	<i>Negligible</i>	<i>General Fund</i>	<i>Ongoing</i>



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5.A.2 Ensure that building codes for all new homes prohibit the use of untreated wood shake roofs and <u>encourage</u> the installation of a spark arresting system on the chimneys of <u>new</u> homes with wood burning fireplaces.	<i>Prevention Property Protection Emergency Services</i>	<i>High</i>	<i>Wildland fires are a significant threat to life and property in the City. This action reduces the probability of fires.</i>	<i>Community Development Dept. Emergency Services Dept.</i>	<i>Negligible</i>	<i>General Fund</i>	<i>Ongoing</i>
5.A.3 Investigate, and implement if feasible and appropriate, mandating the installation of fire-extinguishing sprinklers in new homes and substantial renovations.	<i>Prevention Property Protection Emergency Services Structural Projects</i>	<i>High</i>	<i>Wildland fires are a significant threat to life and property in the City. This action reduces the magnitude of fires.</i>	<i>Community Development Dept. Emergency Services Dept.</i>	<i>Negligible</i>	<i>General Fund</i>	<i>Ongoing</i>



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6.C.1 Post water conservation messages and newspaper articles relative to the City's water resources on the City's website.	<i>Prevention</i> <i>Public Education and Awareness</i>	<i>Low</i>	<i>Drought is cyclical threat to the region. This action reduces water usage.</i>	<i>Community Development Dept.</i>	<i>Negligible</i>	<i>General Fund</i>	<i>2005 - 2009</i>
7.A.1 Continue to enforce the provisions of Ordinance 878 N.S., which requires that all commercial unreinforced masonry buildings be retrofitted by January 2007.	<i>Prevention</i> <i>Property Protection</i> <i>Structural Projects</i>	<i>High</i>	<i>Earthquakes are a significant threat to life and property in the City. This action reduces earthquake vulnerability.</i>	<i>Community Development Dept. (Building Official and 3 building inspectors)</i> <i>Public Works Dept. (Capital Projects Engineer and Utilities Engineer)</i>	<i>¼ FTE-month¹ annually</i>	<i>General Fund</i>	<i>2005, 2006 (all URM's must be retrofitted by January 2007)</i>



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<p>9.A.1 Evaluate and consider requiring the construction and maintenance of retaining structures that will help to control landslide risk in key residential and/or commercial areas.</p> <p>Mitigation measures should be consistent with the City's hillside development General Plan policies and zoning regulations.</p>	<p><i>Prevention</i></p> <p><i>Property Protection</i></p> <p><i>Structural Projects</i></p>	<p><i>Medium</i></p>	<p><i>Landslides are a moderate threat to life and property in the City. This actual reduces landslide probability and magnitude.</i></p>	<p><i>Community Development Dept. (Building Official and 3 building inspectors)</i></p> <p><i>Public Works Dept. (Capital Projects Engineer and Utilities Engineer)</i></p>	<p><i>¼ FTE-Month¹</i></p>	<p><i>General Fund</i></p>	<p><i>2006, 2007, 2008</i></p>

¹ FTE is the "Full-time equivalent" (City personnel), and FTE-Month is 1/12 of an FTE

Source: City of Paso Robles, September 2004.



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Responses to Councilmember Strong's Comments on the Draft Hazard Mitigation Plan
Page 1

1. Comment: Page 13: Data appears incorrect for last 25 years. I've experience an average of three to five days a year when temperatures drop to between 25 and 31 for about one hour just before and after dawn. In only two of those years did we have below freezing temperatures that lasted for hours or 1-3 days. Those temperatures were between 15 and 30 degrees or about 2 - 17 degrees below freezing.

Response: The text has been revised to merely offer a general statement about below freezing temperatures during the winter, to avoid stating specific national data that may conflicts with local, personal experience.

2. Comment: Page 16: Because of the volatility of the housing market and vast changes in a few years, these figures should be updated to include data for 2004. Especially since the date on this report will be 2005.

Response: A paragraph with median home prices from 2003 and 2004, as reported in the UCSB Economic Forecast, was added.

3. Comment: Page 19: Recent reports on the Paso Robles Groundbasin differ from this assessment.

Response: A paragraph was added noting that the County's Paso Robles Groundwater Basin Study was prepared concurrent with the LHMP and that the most up-to-date information would be in that Groundwater Basin Study.

4. Comment: Page 20: Figure 5-9 does not identify nor describe the buildings shown. The number of buildings shown is also much greater than those listed in recent in-house reports [such as Tuesday's memo from Barbara Anderton].

Response: Building Division's March 1, 2005 list was added to the LHMP as Appendix F.

5. Comment: Page 23: typographical errors: should be "undertaken for" and should read "only be available".

Response: The recommended corrections were made.

6. Comment: Page 28: annotations + at bottom of page the data listed is surface flow only but the Salinas is an underground river. Also, the amount flowing should be explained to be that amount adjudicated and agreed to as "live stream" releases from Santa Margarita Lake during the Summer. The fact that is the lowest shown on a national map has no relevance without the explanation of the agreement with the City of San Luis Obispo and/or Monterey County.

Response: The recommended change would require additional research. It is not urgent and can be addressed in the 2010 update of the LHMP.

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7. Comment: Page 29: The data on this page should be updated to be relevant.

Response: The text references information used in the 2003 General Plan. The recommended change would require additional research. It is not urgent and can be addressed in the 2010 update of the LHMP.

8. Comment: Page 31: See annotations. (Councilmember Strong wanted to know the name and status of the fault involved in the 1952 Bryson Quake.)

Response: The text explains that the precise location of that quake is not known due to the sparseness of instrumentation at that time.

9. Comment: Page 35: See annotations. (Councilmember Strong wanted Figure 5-2, the Soils Map, to have a legend that explained the soil type numbers shown on the map.)

Response: A legend/key to soils types was added following Figure 5-2 .

10. Comment: Page 36: See annotations. (Councilmember Strong wanted a discussion on the history, nature, and solutions for reported increases in humidity.)

Response: At the beginning of the preparation of the LHMP, the Hazard Mitigation Team (2 councilmembers plus staff) determined which hazards would be studied in the LHMP. Humidity as a hazard was not raised, consequently it was not included in the plan. At this point, adding this would be a change of scope of the project

11. Comment: Page 39: These figures don't square with on the ground observations in the vicinity of the 13th Street Bridge. Specifically at the Viborg yard: The equipment building was built post 1969 flood and the floor was graded and poured to be one inch above the '69 flood mark. In 1995 the water flooded to 36" above floor level.

Response: A paragraph was added noting reports that the 1995 flood exceeded 100 year flood levels identified in the 1981 Flood Insurance Study.

12. Comment: Pages 47-49: The subsidence narrative does not agree with information developed by Fugro for the Basin Study. This should at least be noted and some reference made to Fugro's findings and computer modeling.

Response: A paragraph was added noting that the County's Paso Robles Groundwater Basin Study was prepared concurrent with the LHMP and that the most up-to-date information would be in that Groundwater Basin Study.

13. Comment: Page 58: See annotations.

a. In the 4th paragraph under "Flood", Councilmember Strong wanted a discussion of mitigation of potential flooding from the Nacimiento Pipeline.

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Response: A sentence was added to that paragraph noting that the Nacimiento Pipeline EIR addressed mitigation of this concern.

b. In the 1st paragraph under "Landslide" was a typographical error.

Response: The recommended correction was made.

14. Comment: Page 59: Same general problem as with Pages 47-49.

Response: The same paragraph added to Page 47 was added on Page 59.

15. Comment: Page 63: Since the table relates to "capability" why are we "incapable" of incurring debt through "general obligation bonds" and "special tax and revenue bonds"? Shouldn't that answer be "yes"?

Response: The table was revised to make the recommended corrections.

16. Comment: Page 64:

a. "Rail line" does not pose a threat! Hazardous materials shipped through our area using the rail line might pose a hazard but not the rail line itself.

Response: The text was revised to make the recommended correction.

b. How do you protect the environment that isn't constituted by "life" or "property"? What environment that isn't either some form of life or property? Light? Darkness? Heat? Cold? It should read "life and property" and shouldn't include "the environment".

Response: The text was revised to make the recommended correction.

c. The examples given under Goals and Objectives definitions have no relevance to this report. They look like boiler plate. They should have relevance to this report.

Response: The text here is boilerplate – they are examples from FEMA's Guide to preparing LHMP's. More appropriate examples could be used in the 2010 update.

17. Comment: Page 66: See annotations + (several comments on policies)

Response: The text was revised to make these corrections.

18. Comment: "Objective 1.B and Action 1.B.1" ... "building codes" or General Plan and other City Goals and Policies? Perhaps you mean City Ordinances? Can "Building Codes" such as the UCB address where building can occur? Don't we have study, refine and adopt such codes before implementing them?

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Response: The text was revised to make the recommended corrections.

19. Comment: Page 67: See annotations + (several comments on policies)

Response: The text was revised to make the recommended corrections.

20. Comment: Who provides the materials to be distributed? What are the anticipated or estimated costs of Provision, distribution, development of reverse 9-1-1 system and the annual disaster drill. Shouldn't all cost items note that they will be attempted within budget constraints? Or that they be prioritized along with other mandated responsibilities? On page 70 the plan states, "A main concern of the City is the financial ability to implement the priority actions to mitigate hazards." Shouldn't that concern be mitigated in the way the objectives and actions are called for on an item by item basis?

Response: The text was revised to make these corrections.

21. Comment: Page 68: See annotations. (several comments on policies)

Response: The text was revised to make the recommended corrections.

22. Comment: Page 69: Once again assess costs and indicate "where feasible and/or cost effective". How do the actions in 9A square with our hillside grading ordinance? What are the costs and how do they affect "affordable housing"?

Response: The text was revised to make the recommended corrections.

23. Comment: Pages 72 - 78: Estimate of General Fund and Capital Improvement Fund expenditures required?

Response: Almost all of the 12 actions selected for the 5 year plan were things the City already does (and has budgeted). Where an action was new, the text was revised to indicate that the City would "investigate and implement if feasible". Otherwise, an estimate of costs of implementation are not required by FEMA. The City could apply for a Disaster Mitigation Grant to cover new costs.

24. Comment: With the maps that constitute a major portion of the "figures" used in the report there are numerous problems. The base map was drawn in such a way that anything less than perfect printing "registration" renders them either incorrect or useless. They need to be re-designed or GREAT CARE exercised to insure that proper registration and alignments are achieved.

"Spring Street" is difficult to find. Creston Road is not identified until it has left the city limits and other streets such as San Carlos Drive and Dorothy Street appear to be Creston Road. Penman Springs Road does not connect to Linne Road on the map even though in reality it does [although sometimes washed out during heavy rain seasons at the Huerhuero River].

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Response: Proper road alignments have been achieved, and only the names of the main highways and arterial streets remain on the maps.

25. Comment: Figure 5-2: This map needs a key to the numerical designations for soil types. The key should only reflect USDA text that is relevant to the shrink/swell, landslide, flooding, etc. matters for which the map is being utilized.

Response: The appropriate soil key is now attached to the Soils Map.

26. Comment: In order to deal with ALL hazards the hot sulfur springs and wells should not be ignored and a Bouguer Gravity map and geology maps should also be included in this study. the geology maps are also useful in assessing areas of susceptibility to earthquake and are helpful in identifying the relative safety of a building site.

Response: This would change the scope of URS' contract. This could be addressed in the 2010 LHMP update.

27. Comment: Figure 5-3: The key shows "Golf Course" but fails to use that "color" to identify the location of the Paso Robles Golf Course, Links Golf Course or River Oaks Golf Course.

Response: The golf course designation has been removed from all courses. (Such designation is not critical to the purpose of the LHMP.)

28. Comment: Figure 5-5: Incorrectly identifies the Fairgrounds as a City facility. It is a State facility. Fails to use a "break out" to show the presence and location of the City landfill. Fails to identify many specific buildings. Perhaps an additional figure which constitutes a list keyed to numerical designations is needed.

Response: The Fairgrounds is no longer identified as a City facility, and other "city-owned" facilities identified by the City Staff have been called out on the map.

The City landfill is not located on the base map. The next update of the LHMP could include an inset or supplemental map to show the Landfill. Showing the Landfill is not critical to the purpose of the LHMP.

29. Comment: Figure 5-9: Needs to number the structures indicated and have a key to the numbers identifying or describing the specific buildings.

Response: The updated list of URMs are included as an Appendix (F).

30. Comment: Figure 6-2: Is this based on Alquist-Priolo? Faults need differentiation between major faults, lesser faults, subsidiary faults, unidentified but known slips and secondary fractures. Nothing on this map illustrates relative risks or time since last active.

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Response: URS reported that simplifying this map would possibly jeopardize FEMA's approval of this LHMP, as the map demonstrates fault data directly from FEMA's suggested information source to use in producing these Plans.

31. Comment: Figure 6-4 & 5: Need to identify or differentiate horizontal, vertical and time periods.

Response: A note has been included on the maps to confirm they are horizontal acceleration periods.

32. Comment: Figure 6-13: What are the identities of the facilities?

Response: Call-outs have been included on the map to identify each facility.

33. Comment: Figure 6-15: How does this map coincide with the computer modeling and mapping done by Fugro? Please define "high subsidence".

Response: Following a meeting with Councilmember Strong, it is staff's understanding that he waived his concern with this item.

34. Comment: Figure 6-16: Fails to identify fire North and East of the intersection of River and Union roads which swept the flat and went into the Oak woodland in the 1982-1984 time frame. It burned the area from River Road nearly to Kleck and from Union Road nearly to Riverglen.

Response: The above-mentioned fire has been identified on the revised map.

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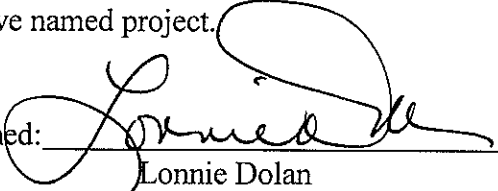
Newspaper: Tribune

Date of Publication: March 2, 2005

Meeting Date: March 15, 2005
(City Council)

Project: Local Hazard Mitigation Plan

I, Lonnie Dolan, employee of the Community
Development Department, Planning Division, of the City
of El Paso de Robles, do hereby certify that this notice is
a true copy of a published legal newspaper notice for the
above named project.

Signed: 
Lonnie Dolan

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CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Local Hazard Mitigation Plan

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles will hold a Public Hearing to consider adoption of a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP).

The LHMP identifies risks posed by natural and manmade disasters to persons and properties within City Limits and it proposes measures to minimize damage from those disasters. Adoption of an LHMP is necessary in order for the City to qualify for federal Disaster Mitigation Grant funding in the event of future disasters.

The LHMP focuses on potential impacts of disasters such as earthquakes, wildfires, droughts, dam failure, landslides, and floods. Mitigation measures focus on prevention, property protection, public education and awareness, natural resource protection, emergency services, and improved management practices for structural projects.

This hearing will take place in the Conference Room at the Paso Robles Library/City Hall, 1000 Spring Street, Paso Robles, California, on Tuesday, March 15, 2005, at the hour of 7:30 pm.

All interested parties may appear and be heard at the above hearing.

Copies of the staff report with the proposed funding are available at Paso Robles City Hall, 1000 Spring Street, Paso Robles, and will be posted on the City's web site: www.prcity.com prior to the hearing. Copies of the staff report may be purchased at City Hall for the cost of reproduction.

Comments on the proposed Local Hazard Mitigation Plan may be mailed to the Community Development Department, 1000 Spring Street, Paso Robles, CA 93446 or e-mailed to: CDdirector@prcity.com provided that such comments are received prior to the time of the hearing.

If you challenge the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Council at, or prior to, the public hearing.

Ed Gallagher, Housing Programs Manager
March 2, 2005

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