Municipal Hazard Mitigation Plan Update Adoption Resolution:

TOWNSHIP OF MAIDENCREEK

Berks County, Pennsylvania

RESOLUTION NO. -2018

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MAIDENCREEK TOWNSHIP, BERKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, TO ADOPT THE HAZARD VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT AND MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE FOR MAIDENCREEK TOWNSHIP.

WHEREAS, the County Commissioners of Berks County authorized the preparation of a Hazard Vulnerability Assessment and Mitigation Plan Update ("Hazard Plan Update") on behalf of the County's municipalities; and

WHEREAS, Skelly and Loy, Inc., was selected as the consultant to assist the County in the preparation of the Hazard Plan Update; and

WHEREAS, a Steering Committee held public meetings to consider the draft Hazard Plan Update on; May 8, 2017, June 5, 2017, July 10, 2017, August 28, 2017 September 25, 2017 and October 23, 2017.

WHEREAS, the Steering Committee and the Berks County Department of Emergency Services recommended that the County Commissioners and each municipality in Berks County adopt the Hazard Plan Update; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors ("Governing Body") of Maidencreek Township recognizes that the Hazard Plan Update is a non-binding, policy-oriented guidance document for the management of natural hazards in the municipality and therefore desires to adopt the Hazard Plan Update prepared by Berks County as their municipal Hazard Plan Update.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Maidencreek Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania, as follows:

Section 1: The Board of Supervisors adopts the Hazard Plan Update entitled "Berks County Hazard Vulnerability Assessment and Mitigation Plan Update" hereinafter referred to as the "Hazard Plan Update", together with its appendices, prepared by Skelly and Loy, Inc., in the form and content presented at a duly advertised public meeting, as the municipal Hazard Plan Update for Maidencreek Township.

Section 2: The Hazard Plan Update as adopted by the Governing Body shall include the following chapters and all charts, tables, diagrams, appendices, figures and textual matter contained therein:

1. Introduction
2. Community Profile
3. Planning Process
4. Risk Assessment
5. Capability Assessment
6. Mitigation
7. Plan Maintenance Procedures
8. Plan Adoption

Section 3: The Hazard Plan Update shall include the maps entitled:

1. Location Map
2. Flooding Hazards
3. Flooding Hazards Comparison
4. Geologic Hazards
5. Wildfire Hazards
6. Hopewell Wildfire Location Map
7. Density of Repetitive Loss Properties by Municipality
8. Regional Growth Areas Impacted by 100-year Floodplains

Section 4: This Resolution shall become effective and be in force immediately.

DULY ADOPTED this 9th day of August, 2018, by the Board of Supervisors of Maidencreek Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania, in lawful session duly assembled.

Maidencreek Township
Berks County, Pennsylvania

By: _____
Claude Beaver Chairman

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Joseph Rudderow III

Attest: _____
Secretary

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Heidi Fiedler

BERKS COUNTY HAZARD VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT AND MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE 2018

The format of the Berks County Hazard Mitigation Plan was updated per the new Pennsylvania Standard Operating Guide (SOG). This included the addition of three new sections (2, 3 & 8) and merging of two sections (Hazard Mitigation Goals and Hazard Mitigation Strategies).

1. INTRODUCTION

This section was reorganized per the SOG. Planning process information was moved to Section 3 and plan adoption information was moved to Section 8.

2. COMMUNITY PROFILE

This is a new section added to comply with the SOG requirements. It contains a community profile of Berks County including a brief overview of the geography, environment, community facts, population, demographics, land use and development.

3. PLANNING PROCESS

The information in this section previously existed in the Introduction of the 2013 plan and is now a standalone section per the SOG requirements.

4. RISK ASSESSMENT

The following information was updated or added:

- Disaster History updated
- NFIP status and claims data updated
- Hazard event profiles updated
- Future occurrences added to hazard event profiles
- New hazard event profile for technological hazards and cyber security/attacks added
- Vulnerable structures updated
- Ranking results added
- Hazus Risk Assessment updated
- Future development and vulnerability – Preservation priority areas mapping added

5. CAPABILITY ASSESSMENT

No changes to this section (previously Section 4 of 2013 plan).

6. MITIGATION

<u>One goal was reprioritized:</u>

1. Ensure that emergency communications systems are available and adequate at all levels throughout the County. The priority level of this goal was changed from "high" to "moderate".

<u>Three new goals were added:</u>

- Natural Resources Protection
  1. Stabilize erosion hazard areas.
- Public Information
  1. Educate farmers about the various soil conservation programs available in the county.
  2. Increase hazard education and risk awareness in general for the hazards that occur in Berks County.
  3. Encourage municipal participation in the hazard mitigation planning process.
  4. Berks County DES to incorporate hazard mitigation training during its January coordination meetings with stakeholders.

7. PLAN MAINTENANCE

No changes to this section (Previously Section 6 of 2013 plan).

8. PLAN ADOPTION

The information in this section previously existed in the Introduction of the 2013 plan and is now a standalone section per the SOG requirements.