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# **Village of Lincolnshire Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan**

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Mitigation Plan, 2017**

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## Executive Summary

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), through the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (DMA 2000) and the Stafford Act require communities develop and adopt a FEMA-approved natural hazard mitigation plan to be eligible for hazard mitigation grant funds. To meet this requirement, the Village of Lincolnshire participated with Lake County and other Lake County municipalities in the development of the 2012 Lake County All Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan (ANHMP). The Village of Lincolnshire adopted the Lake County ANHMP in August 2012.



FEMA's National Flood Insurance Program's (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS) provided CRS floodplain management planning credit to the Village of Lincolnshire; however, the Lake County ANHMP does not meet certain CRS planning requirements, which if met, the Village of Lincolnshire could improve beyond the current CRS Class 5 rating. Currently, properties located in the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) receive a 25% discount in flood insurance premiums. Moving to a Class 4 rating would mean a 30% premium discount.

The Village of Lincolnshire Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan allows the Village to meet all planning requirements of the CRS, and it also furthers the Village's efforts to protect life, health and safety, and reduce damage to property and infrastructure from natural hazards. This Mitigation Plan assesses the natural hazards affecting the Village of Lincolnshire, sets mitigation goals, considers current mitigation efforts being implemented, evaluates additional mitigation strategies, and recommends mitigation actions to be implemented in the next five years. The mitigation actions are designed to protect the people and assets of the Village of Lincolnshire, and designed to be undertaken by both the public and the private sectors.

The Village of Lincolnshire All Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan was developed by village staff with the assistance and input from the Public. The public was engaged through a Natural Hazard Mitigation Survey. In prior years the plan was developed with the assistance of a Natural Hazard Committee which held annual meetings. Meeting interest fell to where there was no longer representation of residents and businesses. Furthermore the All Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan became a way for residents to express their interest of flood mitigation to Village staff and for staff to properly address hazards within the Village.

As a result staff began addressing Flood Mitigation through a Village-Wide Drainage Study to assess potential solutions to drainage in Lincolnshire. The focus of this plan is to be consistent with the Lake County All Natural Hazard Plan and to include all the hazards found in the public engagement surveys. Village staff will continue to update the Mitigation Plan and provide the Village Board with annual updates on what is being done to mitigate natural Hazards in Lincolnshire. The natural hazards addressed in this plan are in Chapter 3 and are consistent with the natural hazards addressed by Lake County, as well as any potential hazards reported in the Public Engagement Survey, or at Village

Board Meetings when this plan is presented. All Village Board Meetings are posted to the Village Website, and are open for public comment, including the meetings when the plan is being discussed.

This Mitigation Plan, when used in conjunction with the Lake County ANHMP, allows the Village of Lincolnshire to be more aware of the risks associated with natural hazards, the potential impact of the hazards on the community, and provides a list of actions to better protect property and people from harm. The Village will continue to update the plan as necessary.

## **Chapter 1. Introduction**

The Village of Lincolnshire is located in southeastern Lake County along the Des Plaines River. Lake County, Illinois is located in northeastern Illinois. The Village of Lincolnshire is subject to flooding, severe summer and winter storms, extreme cold, extreme heat, and tornadoes. The Village of Lincolnshire participates in the National Flood Insurance Program and the Community Rating System (CRS).

Lake County worked to develop the Lake County All Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan (ANHMP). The Village of Lincolnshire adopted the Lake County ANHMP locally in August 2012. In June 2013, the Village organized to develop the Village of Lincolnshire Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan. This is an update to the original plan.

### **1.1 Purpose of the Plan**

The purpose of the Village of Lincolnshire Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan (Mitigation Plan) is to examine Natural Hazard mitigation actions that should be considered for the Village of Lincolnshire, obtain floodplain management planning (FMP) credit in the CRS, and to prepare for all potential natural hazards. The development of this Mitigation Plan included public involvement. The Mitigation Plan has been adopted by the Village of Lincolnshire Board of Trustees.

The Village's August 2012 adoption of the Lake County ANHMP allows the Village to be eligible for FEMA hazard mitigation grant funding from all of the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance grant programs that fund mitigation activities. While the Lake County ANHMP meets all CRS planning requirements, additional FMP credit is being sought by the Village through this Mitigation Plan to allow the Village to earn a better CRS class rating. An improved CRS class rating will provide additional flood insurance premium discounts to Village of Lincolnshire residents and property owners with flood insurance.

The Village of Lincolnshire also worked to develop a "Plan for Public Information" and a "Flood Insurance Coverage Improvement Plan." These plans are public information mitigation action items recommended in the Lake County ANHMP, and the implementation of these plans provide for additional CRS credit.

### **1.2 Organization of the Village of Lincolnshire Mitigation Plan**

This Mitigation Plan is organized into seven chapters, and in the same manner as the Lake County ANHMP, the Village of Lincolnshire Mitigation Plan and the Lake County ANHMP are complimentary plans. Table 1-1 summarizes the contents of the Lake County ANHMP chapter and the Village of Lincolnshire Mitigation Plan. Chapter 2 of this Mitigation Plan describes what additional analysis and work of the Village of Lincolnshire Mitigation Planning Committee went into this plan beyond the information provided in the Lake County ANHMP.

**Table 1-1 Summary of Lake County ANHMP and Village of Lincolnshire Mitigation Plan Contents**

	2017 Lake County ANHMP	2020 Village of Lincolnshire Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan	CRS Planning Step(s)
Chapter 1 Introduction	Includes the Lake County ANHMP's purpose and organization, provides an overview of County, a summary of Lake County land use, base maps, and a summary of critical facilities.	Examined the Village's land use and provides a map of critical facilities within the Village.	Step 1 and 2
Chapter 2 Planning Process	Presents the FEMA-recommended 10 step planning process and a summary of the major changes made from the 2006 to the 2017 Lake County ANHMP.	Summarized the planning process undertaken.	Step 1, 2 and 3
Chapter 3 Risk Assessment	Discusses the natural hazards that can impact Lake County.	Relies on the Lake County ANHMP and summarizes hazards in Lincolnshire.	Step 4 and 5
Chapter 4 Mitigation Goals	Presents the goals and guidelines of the Lake County ANHMP.	Presents the goals and guidelines tailored to the Village of Lincolnshire.	Step 6
Chapter 5 Mitigation Strategies and Capabilities Assessment	Provides a description of the mitigation activities already underway in Lake County and recommends additional activities for six mitigation strategy categories. Also considers the County and municipal capabilities for implementing measures.	Relies on the Lake County ANHMP and summarized the mitigation strategies for flood mitigation. Conclusions and recommendations specific to the Village of Lincolnshire are included.	Step 7
Chapter 6 Action Plan and Implementation Strategy	Discusses the consideration of countywide and community-specific mitigation action items to be implemented as staff and funding resources allow.	Presents a Village of Lincolnshire natural hazard mitigation action plan, though the Village is still participating in the implementation of the Lake County ANHMP.	Step 8, 9 and 10
Chapter 7 Plan Maintenance	Discusses plan adoption, outlines the Lake County ANHMP maintenance and monitoring efforts, continued public participation, and evaluating the plan.	Same.	Step 10



**Watersheds:** A majority of the Village of Lincolnshire is part of the Des Plaines River watershed. The Des Plaines River originates in Wisconsin, flows south through Lake County and south into Cook County. Indian Creek is a tributary to the Des Plaines River and is located on the western portion of Lincolnshire. The eastern portion of the Village is part of the West Fork of the North Branch of the Chicago River.

**Population:** The Village of Lincolnshire has a population of 7,275, according to the 2010 U.S. Census. Lake County has a population of 703,462. There are approximate 3,400 household units in Lincolnshire.

Population of Lincolnshire has grown 19% from 2000 to 2010 as shown in Table 1-2. The Chicago Metropolitan Agency projects population growth to continue for Lake County, with a projected population of over 896,341 by the year 2040.

**Table 1-2 Village of Lincolnshire Population Data**

Community	Lake County	
	2000 Population	2010 Population
Village of Lincolnshire	6,108	7,275
<b>Total:</b>	<b>644,356</b>	<b>703,462</b>

**Employment:** Largely due to its office, industrial, hospitality, and commercial/retail sectors, Lincolnshire has a diverse economic base. The Village consists of a number of office and business parks, including the Lincolnshire Corporate Center, Lincolnshire Business Center, Tri-State Office Park, and Millbrook Office Park, which house employers, such as AON Hewitt, CDW, HydraForce, Zebra Technologies and Quill. The Village's daytime population totals more than 25,000.

Lincolnshire is home to six hotels including the Lincolnshire Marriott Resort.

**Schools:** Lincolnshire is part of the Lincolnshire-Prairie View School District 103 Elementary School District and the Adlai E. Stevenson High School District 125.

#### 1.4 Land Use and Development

**Current Zoning Map:** The current Village of Lincolnshire's zoning map can be viewed at <http://www.gisconsortium.org/webapps/mapgallery/vol/index.html>.

**Future Land Use:** Exhibit 1-2 shows the future land use map.

**Development Trends:** The Village of Lincolnshire's Comprehensive Plan was updated in March 2012. The Village expects continued growth in the community for both housing units and commercial and industrial development. The Comprehensive Plan can be viewed at <https://www.lincolnshireil.gov/departments/community-economic-development/comprehensive-plan-update-2012>.

**Table 1-3 Village of Lincolnshire Land Use**

	Land Use	
Land Use	Acres	Percent
Residential	1,360	46%
Non-residential	573	20%
Open Space and Parkland	395	13%
Other	609	21%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,938</b>	<b>100%</b>

**1.5 Critical Facilities**

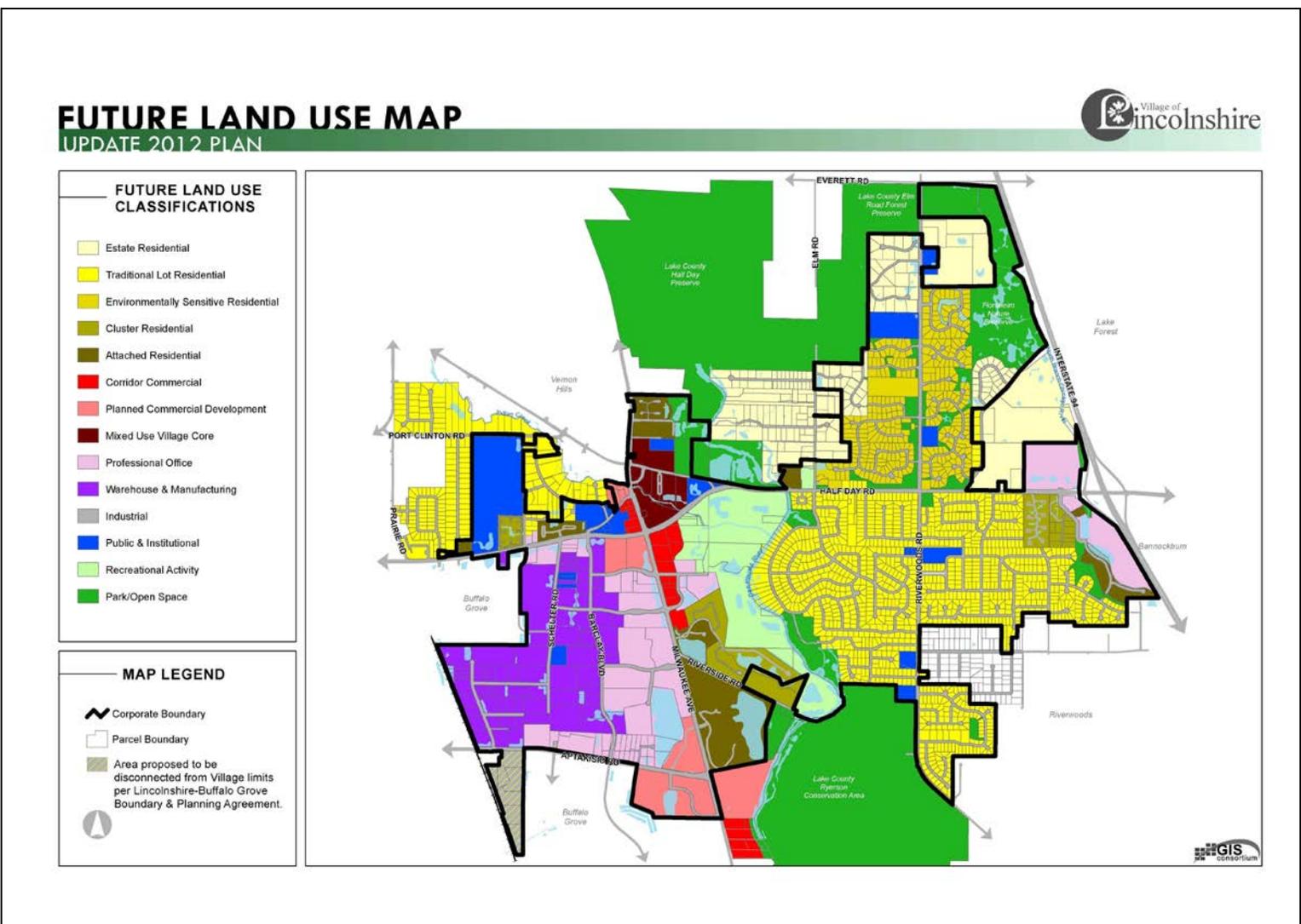
Critical facilities are buildings and infrastructure whose exposure or damage can affect the well-being of a large group. The continued operation of critical facilities is vital to preparedness, response and recovery from any sort of natural or manmade hazard event. Exhibit 1-3 shows the critical facilities located within the Village of Lincolnshire and those located in the SFHA (100-year floodplain).

Further investigation into critical facility locations, use of critical facility mapping, and protection of critical facilities is discussed in Chapters 3 and 5 of this Mitigation Plan.

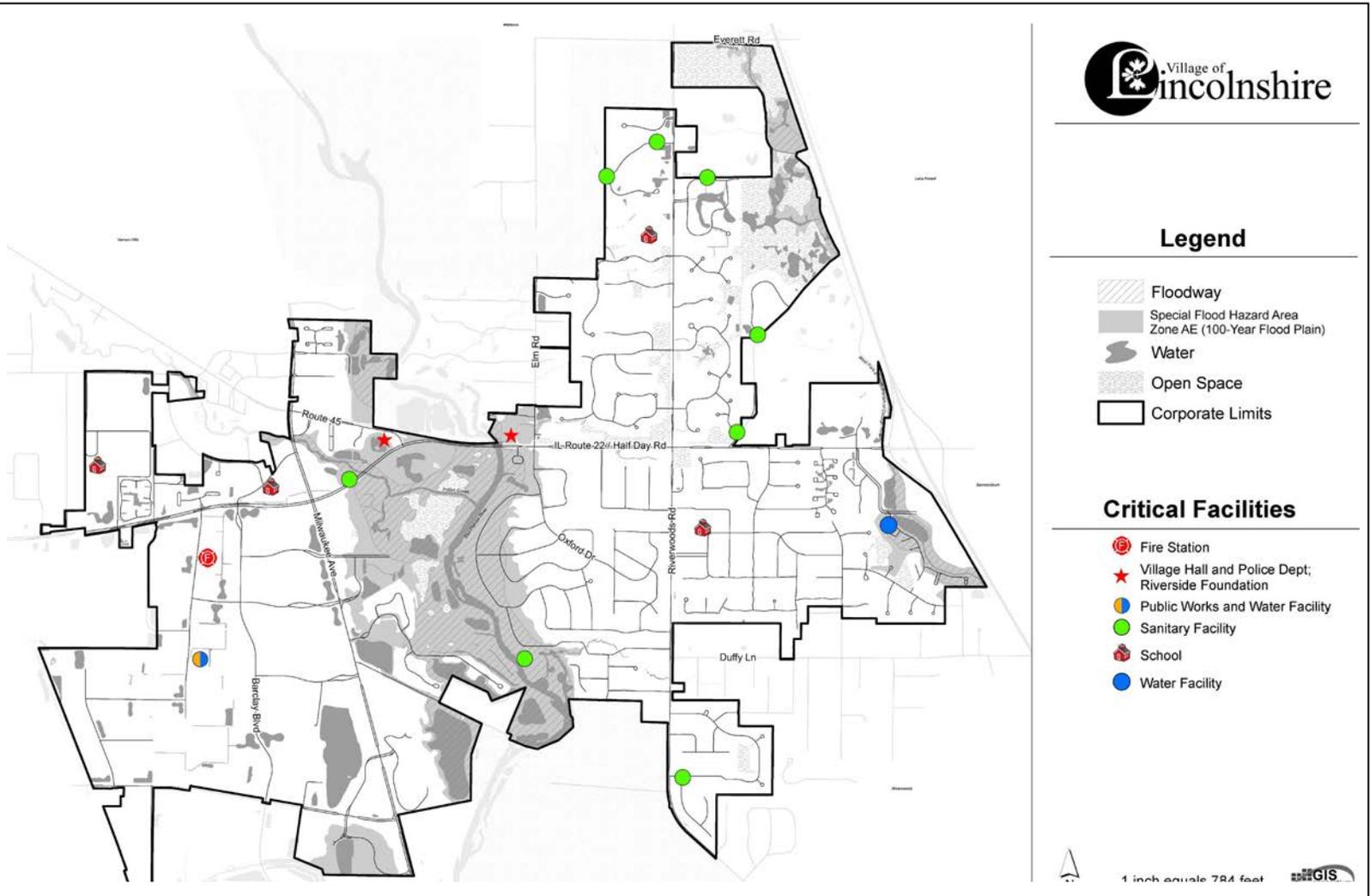
**Table 1-4 Village of Lincolnshire Critical Facilities**

Critical Facility Category	Within Village	Within SFHA
Fire Department	1	0
Police Department	1	0
Riverside Foundation	1	1
Village Hall	1	0
Public Works and Water Facility	1	0
Sanitary Facility	8	2
Schools	4	0
Water Facility	1	0
<b>Total:</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>3</b>

Exhibit 1-2 Village of Lincolnshire Future Land Use Map



**Exhibit 1-3 Village of Lincolnshire Critical Facilities**



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**Chapter 2.  
Planning Process**

**2.1 Plan Approach and Organization**

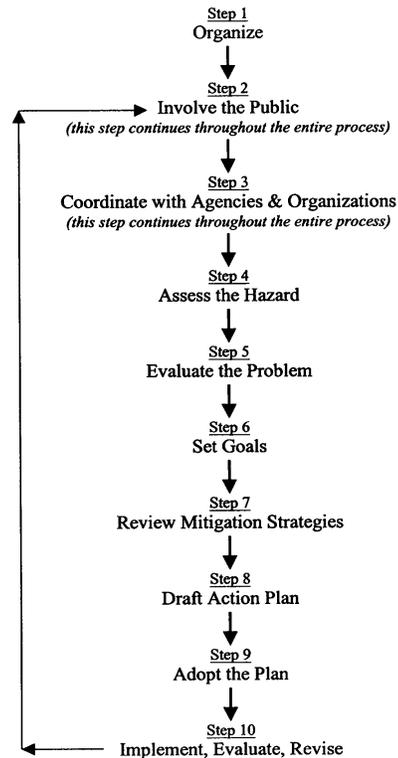
The Village of Lincolnshire Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan utilizes the ten step floodplain management planning approach recommended by FEMA through the Community Rating System (CRS) program (shown to the right). The 10-step planning process was also used with the Lake County ANHMP.



Later, the Village of Lincolnshire Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan was developed. This is the update from the original ANHMP. Updates in this cycle have been done by village staff due to a decrease of interest in the previous Natural Hazard Mitigation Committee. In 2019 the Village of Lincolnshire administered a survey to gain an understanding of the natural hazards that were effecting residents and business owners.

The efforts were coordinated by the Village of Lincolnshire Department of Public Works. Organization (Step 1) began with the Village and MO&A in May 2013. The efforts included other Village departments and individuals, including the Village Manager and the Director of Community Development.

The 2019 update to the Natural Hazards Plan is the first revision and update since the plan has been adopted. Public engagement has been done through the survey to gain an understanding of what additional Natural Hazards exist and effect residents in Lincolnshire.



## 2.2 Public Involvement Update Process

Step 2 of the planning process was to obtain input from the public. The public was invited to participate through several concurrent means, including:

- Public Meeting held at the normal Committee of the Whole Meeting on December, 9, 2019 discussing the All Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan
- Public Survey held from December 2019 – January 2020
- Public meeting presenting the updated Natural Hazard Plan in March 2020



In 2019 the village approached the update using a different method. The Village advertised and accepted responses to a targeted online survey to obtain respondents from both the business community and residents. The survey ran from December 2019 – January 2020 and included open ended answers to obtain as much information as possible regarding Natural Hazards impacting the community. The survey was advertised on the Village website, social media accounts, the Village e-News and the Village's Business Spotlight e-News to obtain responses from all areas of the community.

*Public Input Survey:* The Village of Lincolnshire developed a public input survey for the development of this Mitigation Plan and for the development of the "Village of Lincolnshire Plan for Flood Mitigation Public Information and Flood Insurance Coverage Improvement." The survey was available online Results of the survey are summarized in Appendix B of this Mitigation Plan.

*Public meeting:* A public meeting was held regarding the Village of Lincolnshire Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan on March 9, 2020.

## 2.3 Agency Coordination

Coordination (Step 3) with agencies and organizations was accomplished through meetings, phone conversations, e-mail exchanges, and/or through participation in the survey. At the end of the original planning process, agencies were sent a notice requesting their review of the draft Mitigation Plan. They were asked to provide any comments in time for the public meeting.

The agencies involved in the formulation of this plan included the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Lake County Stormwater Management Commission. Neighboring communities were also informed of the Village's planning efforts and the plan includes information from the Lake County Hazard Mitigation Plan. The Village participates at all the Lake County Hazard Mitigation Plan update meetings. See sample letter in Appendix B.

Existing plans and programs were reviewed throughout the planning process. Plans reviewed and incorporated are discussed further in Chapters 3 - 5.

## **2.4 Plan Adoption and Implementation**

The Village of Lincolnshire Board of Trustees adopted this Mitigation Plan and will implement the action plan. The Village will also continue to implement the applicable action items in the adopted Lake County ANHMP. Maintenance of this Mitigation Plan is discussed in Chapter 7.

### Chapter 3. Risk Assessment

Chapter 3 of the Lake County ANHMP presents a natural hazards risk assessment for Lake County. This Mitigation Plan relies on the Lake County ANHMP risk assessment. A summary of the risk assessment, as it applies to the Village of Lincolnshire is presented in this Chapter.

#### 3.1 Natural Hazards in Lake County and Lincolnshire

Table 3-1 presents a list of all disaster and emergency declarations that have occurred in Lake County, according to the FEMA. This list presents the foundation for identifying what hazards pose the greatest risk within Lake County.

**Table 3-1 Presidential Disaster (DR) And Emergency Declarations (EM) In Lake County**

Declaration Number	Date	Event Details
194-DR	April 25, 1965	Tornadoes, Severe Storms, Flooding
OEP 227-DR	April 25, 1967	Tornadoes
OEP 373-DR	April 26, 1973	Severe Storms, Flooding
FEMA 3068-EM	January 16, 1979	Blizzards and Snowstorms
FEMA 776-DR	October 7, 1986	Severe Storms, Flooding
FEMA 997-DR	July 9, 1993	Severe Storms, Flooding
FEMA 1110-DR	April 23, 1996	Tornadoes, Severe Storms
FEMA 3134-EM	January 8, 1999	Winter Snow Storm
FEMA 3161-EM	January 17, 2001	Severe Winter Storm
FEMA 3230-EM	September 7, 2005	Hurricane Katrina Evacuation
FEMA 1729-DR	September 25, 2007	Severe Storms, Flooding
FEMA 3283-EM	March 13, 2008	Snow
FEMA 1771-DR	June 24, 2008	Severe Storms, Flooding
FEMA 1960-DR	March 17, 2011	Severe Winter Storm and Snowstorm
FEMA 4116-DR	May 13, 2013	Severe Storms, Flooding
(no declaration)	June 2013	Additional Flooding
(no declaration)	July 2017	Additional Flooding

Also, while Lake County was not included, Cook County to the south of Lake County had two disasters declared: DR 1800 for flooding on September 13, 2008 and DR 1935 for flooding in July-August 2010. Lake County was impacted by these events, but damage did not warrant the county being included in the declaration.

Two additional flooding events occurred in 2013 and in 2017 that caused Lake County to issue emergency responses, however did not warrant a FEMA disaster declaration. The Lake County All Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan priority hazards include:

- Flood
- Tornado
- Severe Summer Storms
- Severe Winter Storms
- Dam Failure
- Extreme Temperature
- Shoreline and Coastal Erosion
- Ravine Erosion
- Drought
- Earthquake Power Outage

The Village of Lincolnshire recognizes the following list:

- Flood
- Severe Summer Storms
- Severe Winter Storms
- Tornado
- Dam Failure
- Erosion
- Extreme Temperatures
- Hail Storms
- Drought

Note wildfire was added to the above list, but a risk assessment of the hazard is not included in this Mitigation Plan. It is the intention of the Village to examine wildfire in the next update of this Mitigation Plan.

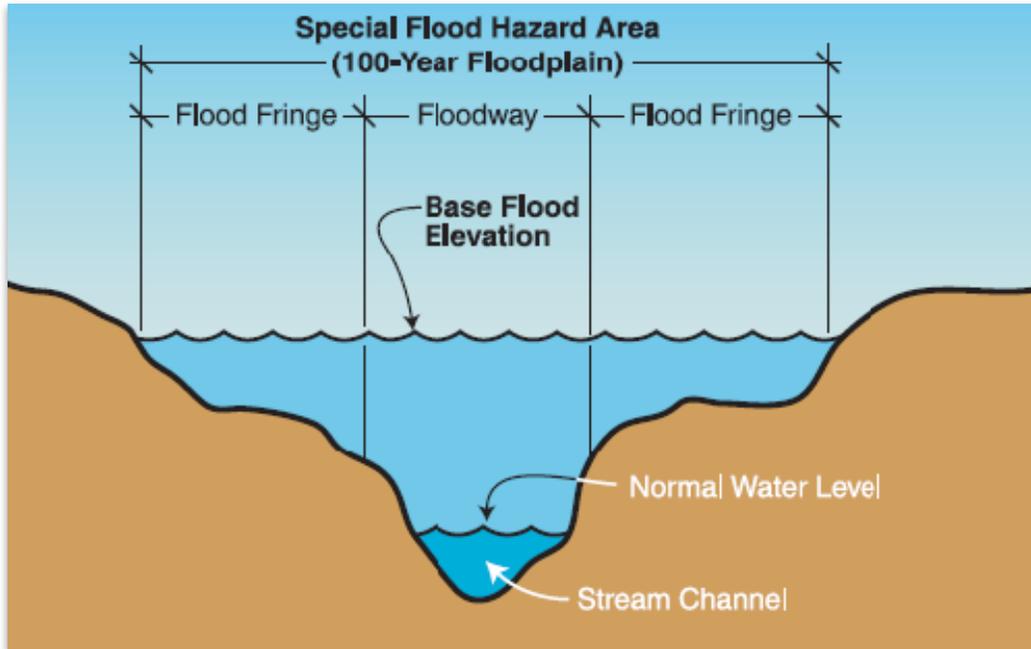
Some of these hazards can be interrelated. For example, severe thunderstorms can produce high winds which can cause tornado activity. Thus, discussion of these hazards may overlap where necessary throughout this risk assessment. Also, some hazardous elements include lightning and hail activity; discussion of seiche and derechos. The risk assessment for priority hazards such as severe storms and floods, include a hazard analysis and a vulnerability assessment. Other hazards, such as earthquakes and dam failure, include only a hazard profile in this ANHMP update. While power outage is most often a secondary hazard to natural hazards, Lake County decided it should be evaluated and mitigation strategies should be identified.

### **3.2 Flood**

A flood is a natural event for rivers and streams and occurs when a normally dry area is inundated with water. Excess water from snowmelt or rainfall accumulates and overflows onto the stream banks and adjacent floodplains. As illustrated in Figure 3-1, floodplains are

lowlands, adjacent to rivers, streams and creeks subject to recurring floods. Flash floods, usually resulting from heavy rains or rapid snowmelt, can flood areas not typically subject to flooding, including urban areas. Extreme cold temperatures can cause streams and rivers to freeze, causing ice jams and creating flood conditions.

Figure 3-1 Description of a Floodplain



Floods are considered hazards when people and property are affected. In Illinois, flooding occurs commonly and can occur during any season of the year from a variety of sources. Pipelines, bridges, and other infrastructure can be damaged when high water combines with flood debris. Basement flooding can cause extensive damage. Flooding can cause extensive damage to crop lands. Several factors determine the severity of floods, including rainfall intensity and duration, topography and ground cover.

**Riverine flooding** originates from a body of water, typically a river, creek, or stream, as water levels rise onto normally dry land. Water from snowmelt, rainfall, freezing streams, ice flows, or a combination thereof, causes the river or stream to overflow its banks into adjacent floodplains. Winter flooding usually occurs when ice in the rivers creates dams or streams freeze from the bottom up during extreme cold spells. Spring flooding is usually the direct result of melting winter snow pack, heavy spring rain, or a combination of the two.

**Flash floods** can occur anywhere when a large volume of water flows or melts over a short time period, usually from slow moving thunderstorms or rapid snowmelt. Because of the localized nature of flash floods, clear definitions of hazard areas do not exist. These types of floods often occur rapidly with significant impacts. Rapidly moving water, only a few inches deep, can lift people off their feet, and only a depth of a foot or two of water, is needed to sweep cars away. Most flood deaths result from flash floods.

**Urban flooding** or local drainage problems can occur anywhere in Lake County. Most local drainage problems result in shallow flooding on roads, yards and, sometimes in buildings.

In some areas, a development is actually located in a drainage way or in a depressional ponding area. Inadequately maintained drainage ditches, undersized storm sewers, and failing tile drains or storm sewers are common causes of local flooding.

Local drainage problems have the greatest damage impact on homes with drive-down basement garages and split-level homes in low lying areas. In the case of drive-down garages, water accumulating on the street finds a low driveway and fills a home's basement. Split-level homes provide easy access for surface floodwaters to enter through the ground level windows.



Houses with drive-down garages are susceptible to street flooding and local drainage problems

Since much of Lake County was once tiled to provide drainage for farmland, failed or inadequate drain tiles are a large problem in the developing areas of the county. Many tiles are old and were not designed to handle the stormwater loads development produces. The same is also true for older storm sewer systems. Most storm drains and road culverts are not designed to carry more than the 10-year storm.

**Depressional flooding** is common in Lake County. Lake County has a gently rolling landscape including many depressional areas left from the Wisconsin Glacial Period. The common problem with development in many of these depressional areas is there is no natural outlet for runoff. Some depressions are former wetlands drained with field tiles originally installed to make them farmable. In many cases the tiles are old, in disrepair, and often have limitations for handling the increased volumes of runoff resulting from development. When the drainage system for depressional areas becomes overloaded, runoff simply fills up a depression. Without an adequate outlet, floodwater will remain until it evaporates, seeps into the ground or trickles through a tile.

**Sanitary Sewer Backups.** There are few combined sewers in Lake County where stormwater and wastewater discharges are transported in the same pipe system. Therefore, most of the sanitary sewer backups are caused by infiltration of stormwater into the sanitary sewer pipes, leaky manholes and inappropriate connections from residential storm drains, roof drains and sump pumps to sanitary sewer lines. In some places excess stormwater in sanitary sewers causes manhole covers to lift off, and sewage finds its way into rivers and lakes via the storm drainage system. The contamination of surface waters with sewage degrades water quality by adding fecal coliform and excess nutrients that reduce dissolved oxygen in the water and can lead to the spread of communicable diseases. Beach closures and swimming bans are a common result.

**Erosion and Sedimentation.** Areas prone to the most erosion damage are the bluffs and ravines, lake shores, and high energy flow streams. Channelized stream reaches are less stable and more erosive than meandering sections.

### 3.2.1 Lake County-Lincolnshire Watersheds

There are four major watersheds in Lake County, shown in Exhibit 3-1 along with 26 sub watersheds. The Village of Lincolnshire is part of two major watersheds:

The **Upper Des Plaines River** watershed is located in northeastern Illinois, Lake and Cook Counties, and Kenosha and Racine Counties in southeastern Wisconsin. A summary of the watershed is presented in Table 3-2. The Upper Des Plaines is subject to significant flooding caused by lack of channel capacity of the main stem of the Des Plaines River and tributaries to carry major flows during storms. Historical flooding in 1986 and 1987 resulted in over \$100 million in damages.

The main stems of the Fox and Des Plaines Rivers have flood characteristics very different from the other major watershed of the county. The Fox and Des Plaines Rivers experience their worst floods from rain events lasting a few days, or from a series of small rain events over a longer duration. The greatest flooding along the Fox and Des Plaines Rivers occurs following longer rain events. The floods of 1960 and 1986 resulted from long steady rains which eventually overwhelmed the available floodplain storage and set new flood stage records on the Fox and Des Plaines Rivers respectively.

**Table 3-2 Des Plaines River Watershed in Lake County**

<b>Des Plaines River Watershed</b>				
<b>Area:</b>	202 mi <sup>2</sup>	<b>Municipalities:</b>		
	42% of County	Antioch	Indian Creek	Mundelein
<b>Public Land:</b>	11,730 acres	Beach Park	Kildeer	Old Mill Creek
<b>Wetlands:</b>	20,595 acres	Buffalo Grove	Lake Villa	Riverwoods
		Deer Park	Lake Zurich	Round Lake Beach
		Grayslake	Libertyville	Round Lake Park
		Green Oaks	Lincolnshire	Third Lake
<b>Subwatersheds:</b>	<b>Area (mi<sup>2</sup>):</b>	Gurnee	Lindenhurst	Vernon Hills
North Mill Creek	21.5	Hainesville	Long Grove	Wadsworth
Newport Drain	8.4	Hawthorn Woods	Mettawa	Wheeling
Mill Creek	31			
Upper Des Plaines	53	<b>Townships:</b>		
Bull Creek/Bull's Brook	12.3	Antioch	Lake Villa	Warren
Indian Creek	37.7	Avon	Libertyville	Waukegan
Lower Des Plaines	18.2	Benton	Newport	West Deerfield
Buffalo Creek	13.7	Ela	Vernon	Zion
Aptakisic Creek	6.3	Freemont		

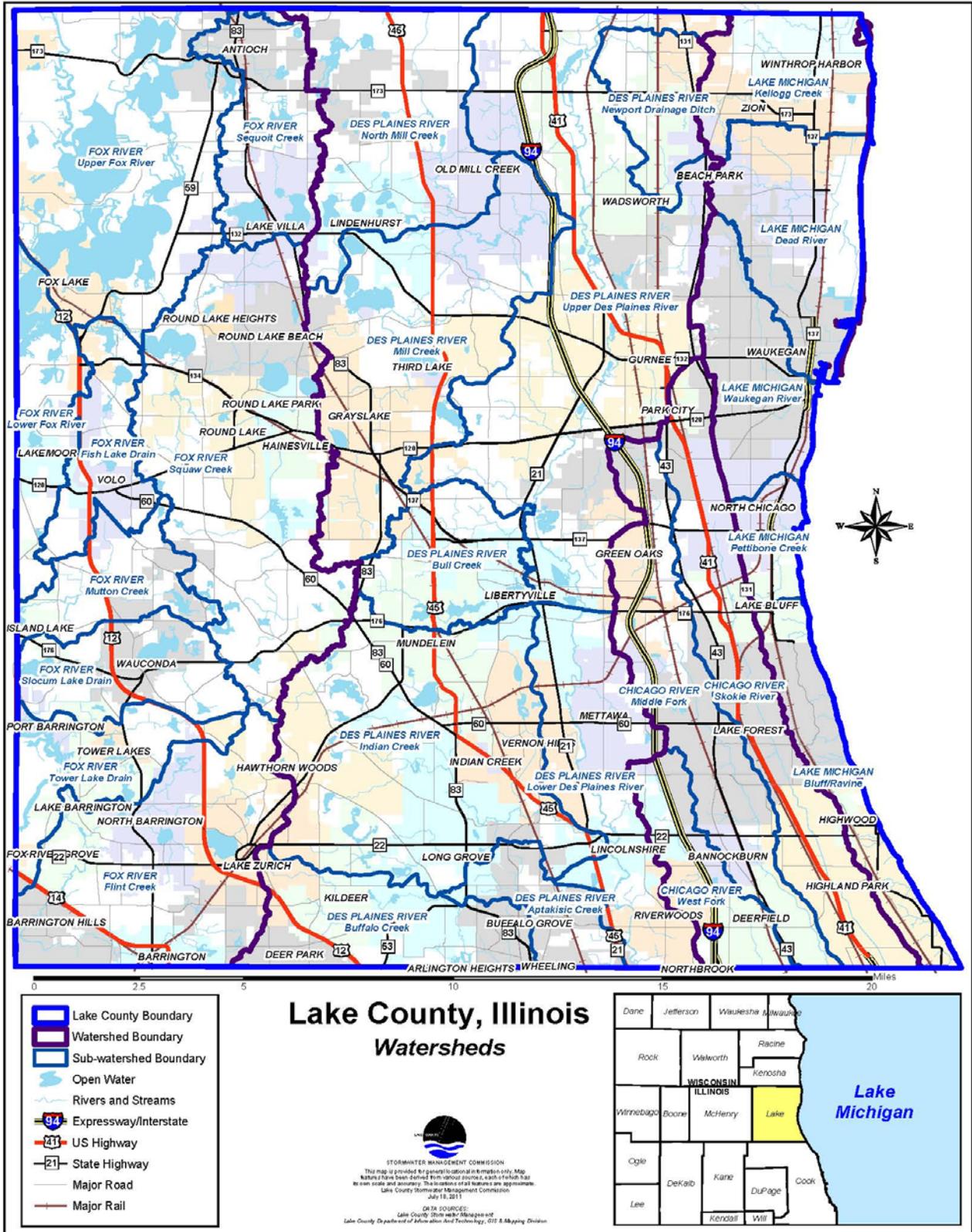


Exhibit 3-1 Lake County Watersheds and Subwatersheds  
 This map can be downloaded at the Lake County SMC website

The 1986 event resulted from 10 days of widespread steady rain. It took the Des Plaines 4 weeks to pass this floodwater. For the larger Fox River, the time to pass this flood was 6 weeks. In comparison, the smaller watershed of the Skokie River drained down to normal only a few days after the rains ended. Long-duration rain events or snow pack can also cause major flooding on the larger rivers.

Exhibit 3-1 show the lakes located within the Fox River and Des Plaines River Watersheds. The lakes are a resource and also a concern when the Fox River and Des Plaines Rivers are at flood stage for extended periods and lake levels are elevated as a result.

The **North Branch Chicago River Watershed** is noted for three long and narrow sub water sheds surrounding the 3 forks of the North Branch of the river. A summary of the watershed is presented in Table 3-3. Floods on these long and narrow watersheds are affected by the direction taken by a storm. On the three forks, the worst flooding is caused by storms moving from north to south. The runoff moves under the storm front and concentrates as it goes downstream. Storms passing east to west produce smaller floods, and storms passing south to north produce the smallest floods.

The worst floods are caused by day-long rain events, but, because the watershed is so narrow, short intense rain events can also cause severe local flooding. The flood of record on the Skokie River in Highland Park was caused by a thunderstorm that rained only in the southern end of the watershed. Because of the channelization of these three forks, floodwaters usually drain away in just a few days. For more information on the North Branch Chicago River Watershed, see the "North Branch Chicago River Watershed-Based Plan," 2008, for Lake and Cook Counties, Illinois, which is available at the Lake County SMC website: <http://www.lakecountyil.gov/Stormwater/LakeCountyWatersheds/>.

**Table 3-3 North Branch of the Chicago River Watershed in Lake County**

<b>North Branch Chicago River Watershed</b>				
<b>Area:</b>	202 square miles	<b>Municipalities:</b>		
	11% of County	Bannockburn	Highwood	North Chicago
<b>Public Land:</b>	1,655 acres	Deerfield	Lake Bluff	Park City
<b>Wetlands:</b>	4,390 acres	Green Oaks	Lake Forest	Riverwoods
		Gurnee	Lincolnshire	Waukegan
		Highland Park	Mettawa	
<b>Subwatersheds:</b>	<b>Area (mi<sup>2</sup>):</b>	<b>Townships:</b>		
West Fork	8.6	Deerfield	Vernon	Waukegan
Middle Fork	19.8	Libertyville	Warren	West Deerfield
Skokie River	21.9	Shields		

### 3.2.2 Flood Insurance Coverage

An examination of National Flood Insurance Policies and Flood Insurance claims highlights the number of communities impacted by past flooding. Table 3-4 shows the Village of Lincolnshire flood insurance coverage and flood insurance claims since 1978. Policies are shown for an entire community, including portions of communities located in other counties.

**Table 3-4 Lake County Flood Insurance Active Policies and Claims, FEMA 2015**

Community	Number of Active Policies	Total Premium	Total Coverage	Number of Claims*	Total Paid
Village of Lincolnshire	113	\$ 113,929	\$32,609,800	27	\$ 1,167,989

\* Since 1978

### 3.3.3 Repetitive Flood Loss Properties

FEMA defines a “repetitive loss structure” as a flood-insured structure that has received two or more flood insurance claim payments of more than 25% of the market value within any 10-year period. Lake County currently has 86 repetitive loss structures on the FEMA list. Of the 86 properties, 18 have been mitigated (acquired, elevated or otherwise protected). The remaining 68 properties are located in 14 municipalities and unincorporated Lake County, as presented in Table 3-5.

**Table 3-5 Lake County Repetitive Loss Structures**

Community	Number of Repetitive Loss Properties as of 6/30/2015*	Number of Repetitive Loss Properties as of 3/31/2011	Mitigated	Mitigation Status	Remaining Repetitive Losses
Village of Lincolnshire	1	1	0	unmitigated	1

The repetitive flood loss structures are located throughout the county, but are more concentrated in the Fox River Watershed. They are nearly all single family residences. Two repetitive loss properties are commercial properties.

The repetitive loss properties were examined and new repetitive flood loss areas were identified for the 2012 Lake County ANHMP. The repetitive loss areas are shown in Exhibit 3-4 of the Lake County ANHMP. Repetitive flood loss areas include 1 or more repetitive loss properties and the neighboring or nearby properties subject to similar flood damage. The repetitive loss area for the Village of Lincolnshire in the Lake County ANHMP is Repetitive Loss Area 27.

### 3.2.4 Past Floods and Future Flood Frequency

The National Climate Data Center (NCDC), maintained by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, records weather events as they are submitted. The NCDC has a record of flooding in Lake County from 1996 to 2010, and this data is shown in Table 3-18 of the Lake County ANHMP. Other small floods most likely occurred but did not get recorded. The NCDC data recorded no injuries or deaths with these events.

**1986 Flood:** Northeastern Illinois received almost one inch of rain daily from September 21 through October 4, 1986. On some days, there was as much as three inches. Over this two-week period, the Des Plaines watershed received up to 12.9 inches of rain compared to the normal monthly amount of 3 inches. The flooding in Lake County killed four people. One

person drowned when his boat capsized and three people had heart attacks fighting the flood.

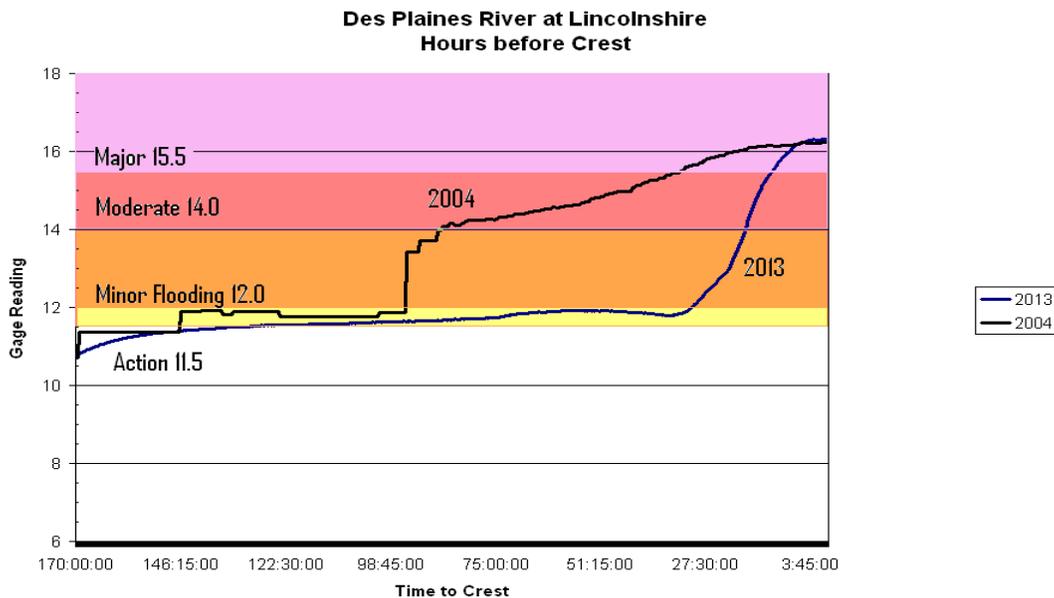
On September 25, 1986 the Des Plaines River was two feet over flood stage and high enough to reach buildings. This flooding, along with flooding in the Fox River/Chain of Lakes watershed, resulted in a disaster declaration by the President on October 7, 1986 for Cook, Kane, and Lake Counties. The worst flooding in Lake County was in the Village of Gurnee, where approximately 100 buildings were flooded. Based on the flood insurance claims, they suffered an average of \$10,000 in damage.

**2004 Flood:** The May 2004 event attracted national attention and was destructive on a wide scale. River flooding was recorded across Lake County and portions of Cook County and Lake County, as well as local flash flooding from individual storms that occurred during this month. River flooding, mainly on the Des Plaines River, had some of its origin in southern Wisconsin, but affected the river channel through Lake County and into Cook County. Monthly rainfall totals peaked over 10 inches across Lake and Cook Counties, while 6 inches or more were common further south including northwest Indiana.

Throughout Lake County, overbank flooding is most extensive along the Des Plaines River with the highest historical floods occurring in 1938, 1960, 1979, 1986 and 2004.

**April 2013:** Very heavy rains in the early morning hours on April 18, 2013 brought flooding to much of northeastern Illinois. The Des Plaines River rapidly rose, exceeded the 12.8 foot stage predicted by the National Weather Service to 16.33 feet. As show on the chart below, major flood damage begins at 15.5 feet on the Des Plaines River at Lincolnshire river gage.

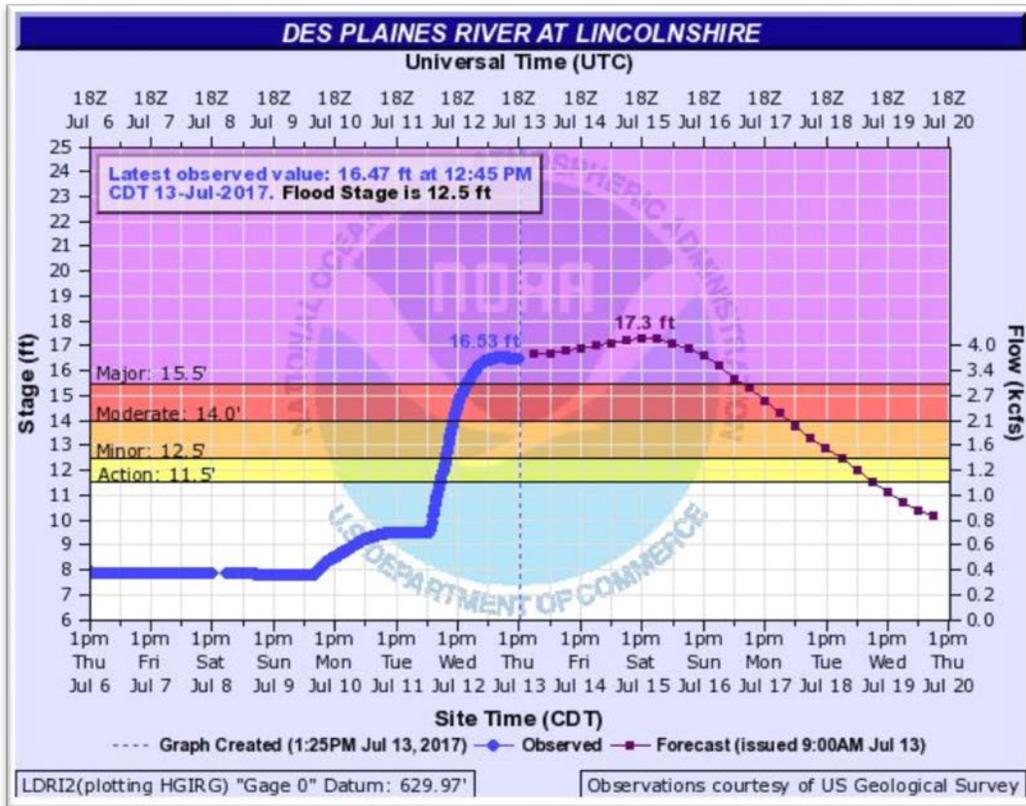
In the Village of Lincolnshire ten houses were evacuated. Six of those houses had water over the first floor. Over 30 homes were not accessible by vehicle. Exhibit 3-2 shows a map compiled by the Village of Lincolnshire of known flood issues from the April 2013. Reported flood events over the past 25 years provide an acceptable framework for determining future occurrences in terms of frequency for such events.



**July 2017:** Heavy rains drenched Lake County Illinois on July 11 – 12, 2017 with over seven (7) inches of rain in a 24-hour period. The rains brought flash floods to many Lake County Communities. Following the rain events, the Des Plaines River at Lincolnshire crested at a historic 16.55 feet, one foot over the major flood stage of 15.5 feet.

In Lincolnshire, over 40 homes were affected by the flood, and not accessible by vehicles. The 2017 flood in Lincolnshire was worse than the previous historic high of 16.33 feet recorded in April 2013.

The probability of the County and its municipalities experiencing a flood event can be difficult to quantify, but based on historical record of 28 flood events since 1986, it can reasonably be assumed this type of event has occurred once every 1.12 years from 1986 through 2011.



$[(\text{Current Year } 2011) \text{ subtracted by } ((\text{Historical Year } 1986) = 25 \text{ Years on Record}]$

$[(\text{Years on Record } 25) \text{ divided by } ((\text{Number of Historical Events } 28) = 1.12]$

Furthermore, the historic frequency calculates there is an 89% chance of this type of event occurring each year.

### 3.2.5 Vulnerability - Impacts of Flooding

Lake County's population is expected to continue to grow and development will continue. Lake County is currently susceptible to flooding, and it should be anticipated flood risk will continue to grow. Lake County has been implementing a number of mitigation actions to

abate this potential increase in flood risk, including the enforcement of the Lake County Watershed Development Ordinance and comprehensive watershed planning to protect against new flood damages (these efforts are summarized in Chapter 4). However, Lake County is part of two large watersheds and cannot regulate development in Wisconsin. Life, health and safety, buildings, critical facilities, infrastructure and the economy are all affected by flooding in Lake County.

**Health and safety:** Safety during a flood, whether from overbank flooding or groundwater flooding (basements), is a concern. If clean-up after a flood is not properly done, then health problems can develop due to mold. Flooding roads and viaducts are dangerous. People continue to be at risk when driving through floodwaters; fast moving waters are a hazard to people in and out of cars. The highest flood depths are at the Fox River, but stormwater flooding away from the floodplain in Lake County can also threaten lives, as emphasized in the death during the 1986 flood event.

Impact to health and safety due to flooding is considered **moderate**.

**Damage to Buildings:** The Lake County estimate of structures located in the floodplain and floodway is shown in Table 3-6. These numbers are from the 2017 Lake County ANHMP. The numbers are updated for the new FEMA flood maps that became effective for Lake County on September 18, 2013.

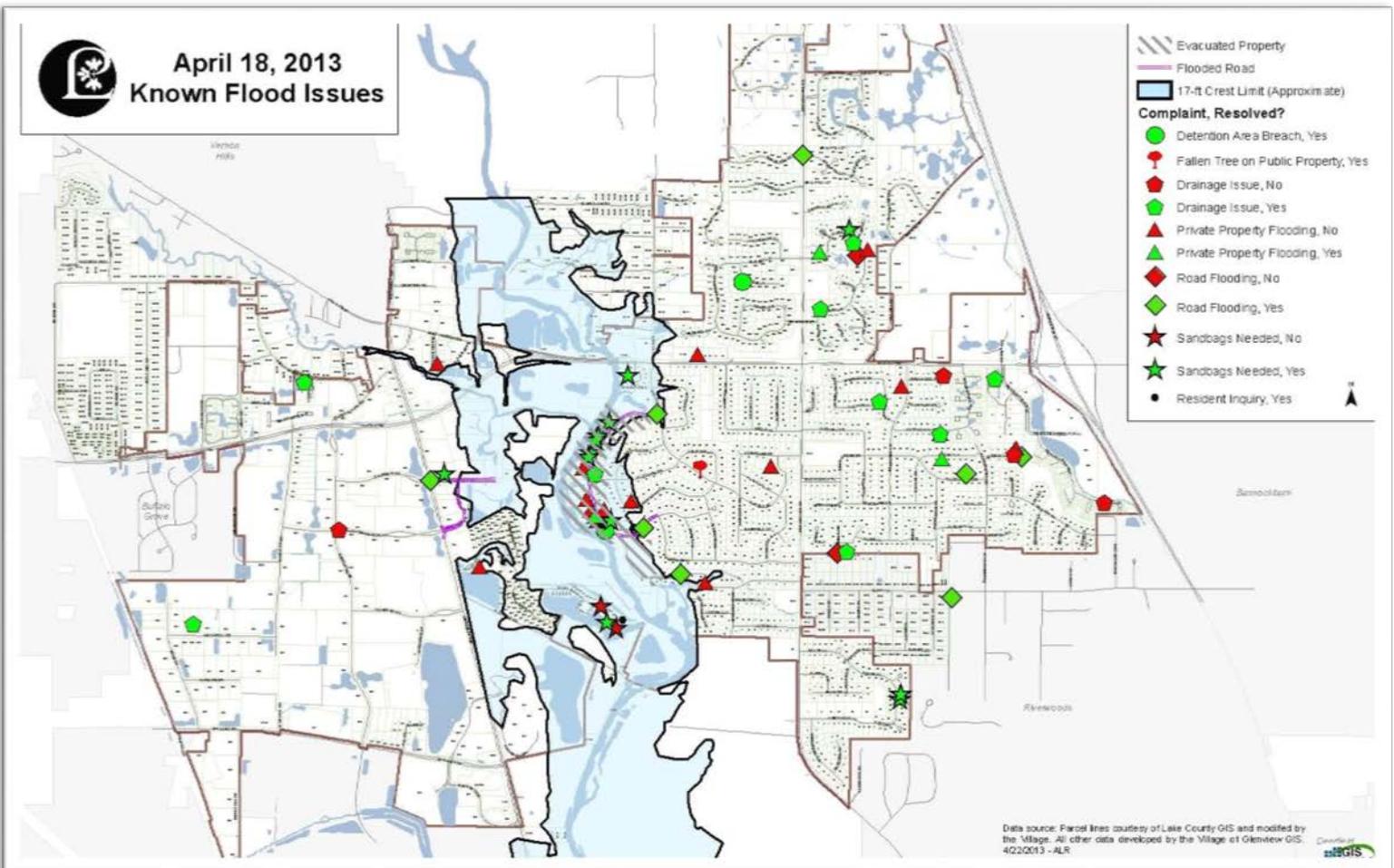


Exhibit 3-2 Village of Lincolnshire April 2013 Known Flood Issues

**Table 3-6 Structures Located in Lake County Floodplains**

Watershed	Number of Structures in Floodplain	Number of Structures in Floodway
Fox River	5,914	390
Des Plaines River	2,786	901
North Branch Chicago River	1,249	423
Lake Michigan	447	27
Total:	10,396	1,741

\* Source: SMC GIS

The number of structures in the floodplain and floodway has changed since the 2012 ANHMP due to new effective FIRMs for Lake County. Using the FIRMs (2012 ANHMP) 10,903 structures were in the 1% annual chance, or 100-year floodplain. The value of these structures is estimated in Table 3-7.

Table 3-7 Estimated Market Value of Structures Located in Lake County Floodplains Land Use	Estimated Market Value
Agricultural	\$6,351,450
Forest Grassland/Beach	\$9,109,127
Government/Institution	\$275,881,667
Industrial	\$275,881,667
Office/Research	\$74,766,111
Public / Private Open Space	\$46,432,865
Residential	\$1,209,426,702
Retail / Commercial	\$188,217,209
Transportation	\$963,034
Utilities / Waste Facilities	\$29,201,791
<b>Total Estimated Value:</b>	<b>\$1,843,572,967</b>

The range of flood damage to buildings is likely to be 5% to 50%, or a range \$85 million to \$850 million. Impact to buildings due to flooding is considered high.

**Critical Facilities and Infrastructure:** SMC data shows approximately 21 critical facilities could be closed or subject to flooding. As the County's GIS is expanded, a more accurate count of critical facilities in the floodplain will be developed.

Impact to critical facilities due to flooding is considered moderate.

**Economic Impact:** Flood damage to businesses is difficult to estimate. Businesses disrupted by floods often have to be closed. They lose inventories, customers cannot reach them, and employees are often busy protecting or cleaning up flooded homes. Business can be disrupted, regardless of whether or not the business is located in the floodplain, when

customers and clients cannot reach their location. As with flooded roads, public expenditures on flood fighting, sandbags, fire department calls, clean-up and repairs to damaged public property affect all residents of the County, not just those in the floodplain.

### 3.2.6 Flood Focus Areas

The Village of Lincolnshire Natural Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee identified several areas from past floods they recommend be focus areas of flood mitigation. The focus areas are shown in Exhibit 3-3, and they include:

Area 1 – Lincolnshire - Londonderry

Area 2 – Rivershire Development

Area 3 – Westminster – Sutton Place

Area 4 – Indian Creek

These areas may be referred to within this Mitigation Plan and CRS plans developed by the Village.

## 3.3 Summary of Natural Hazards Risk Assessment

This risk assessment examines natural hazards that could impact Lake County. Section 3.12 in the 2017 Lake County ANHMP summarized the impact of the hazards on Lake County and presents conclusions drawn from the assessment. That section is repeated here.

### 3.3.1 Impact of the Hazards

The impacts of the hazards are summarized according to the four major concerns:

- Health and safety,
- Damage to buildings,
- Evacuation of guests and personnel,
- Damage to critical facilities and infrastructure, and
- Economic impact.

After the conclusion of the hazard assessments and vulnerability assessments of the priority hazards, the LPC discussed findings to determine overall impact the hazard has on the County and the municipalities. The hazards and their impact are shown in Table 3-8, "Lake County Summary of the Hazards." The different columns in the table represent the following:

**Annual Chance or Frequency:** The annual chance column in the table shows the likelihood of occurrence in any given year. These numbers are discussed in the "Frequency" section of each hazard.

**Impact Location:** The location and area affected by a single occurrence is shown.

**Square Miles Impacted:** The portion of the County vulnerable to the hazard.

**Value of vulnerable property:** The property damage exposure computed in Section 3.2 of this Chapter.



# NATURAL HAZARDS MITIGATION PLAN

## FLOOD INSURANCE ACTIVE POLICY HOLDERS MAP Legend

- Storm Improvement
- Water Improvement
- Sanitary Improvement
- Other Improvement
- Floodway
- Special Flood Hazard Area Zone AE (100-Year Flood Plain)
- Water
- Open Space
- Corporate Limits
- Secondary Areas

Parcels in the SFHA	479
Parcels in the SFHA with structures*	207
Policies in Area 1	59
Policies in Area 2	18
Policies in Area 3	10
Policies in Area 4	1

Data source: Floodway and floodplain data adapted from FEMA. All other data from the Village of Lincolnshire GIS. Printed 6/16/2014 - JVD

\* Count reflects structures in the SFHA, as recorded in the 2011 Cycle Verification Follow-up memo, section 7, Activity 530, by Jennifer Hughes. Actual parcel count may be slightly lower.

1 inch equals 800 feet

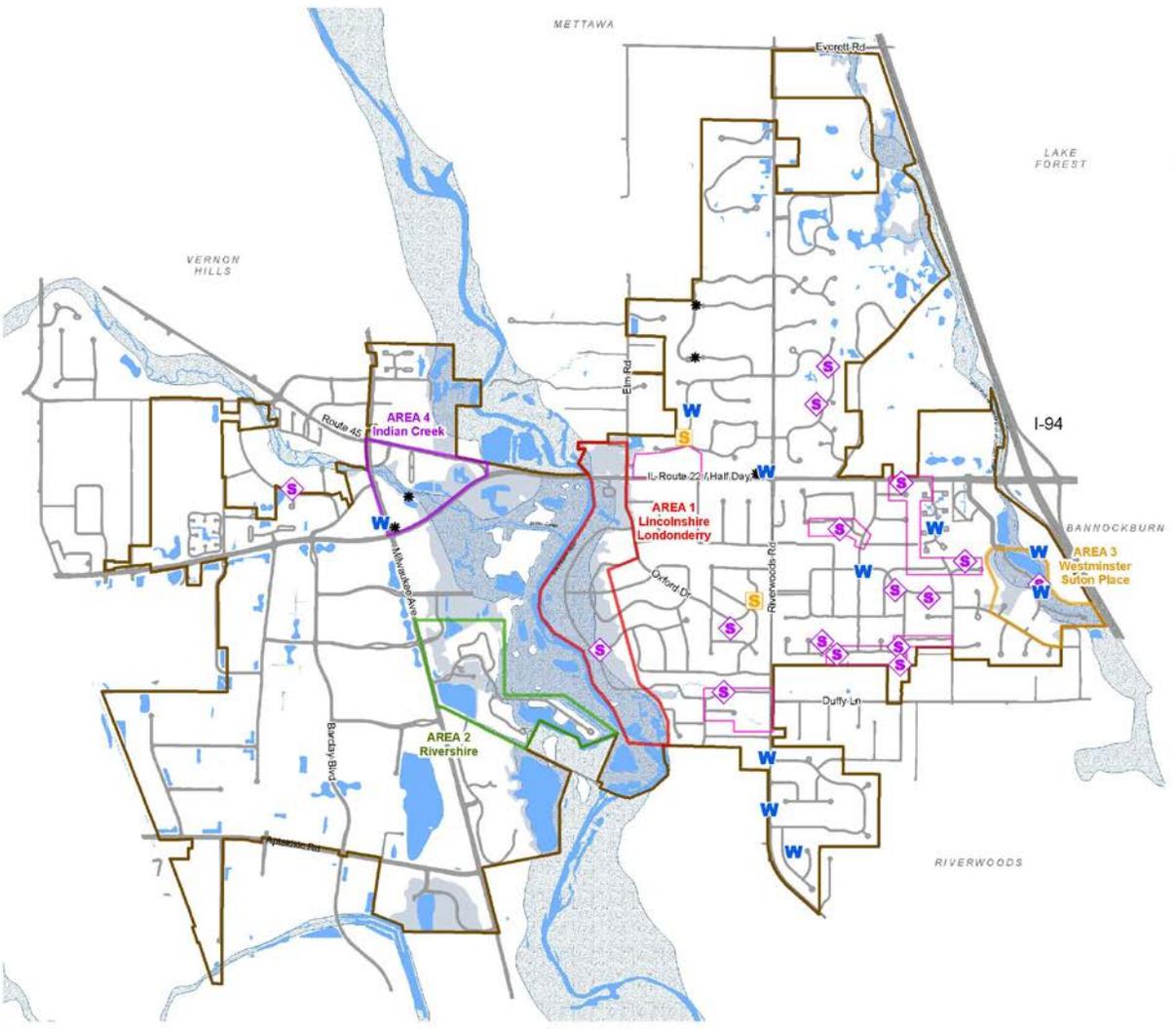


Exhibit 3-3 Village of Lincolnshire Flood Focus Area

**Potential Damage:** The range of potential damage related to the square miles impacted and the value of exposed property.

**Impact on Health and Safety:** This category relates to health and safety hazards. Ratings of high, medium, or low are shown.

**Impact on Buildings:** The vulnerability of structural damage to buildings or other property damage.

**Critical Facilities:** The types of critical facilities and infrastructure affected are listed.

**Economic Impact:** Typical impacts on businesses and utilities are listed in this column.

The County, all municipalities, other agencies and institutions involved in this Lake County ANHMP are exposed to all identified hazards. This is due to the relatively flat topography of the County. While much of the County is still in agricultural use, the residents and business are equally impacted by the identified natural hazards as the urban areas. Flooding in the floodplain has been considered but it is understood flooding is not limited to floodplain areas. Community impact does vary by degree between larger and smaller communities based on population and number of buildings.

Table 3-8 Summary of Lake County Natural Hazards from the Lake County ANHMP Hazard	Annual Chance	Impact Location	Square miles Affected	Value of Vulnerable Property	Potential Damage	Impact on Health and Safety	Impact on Buildings	Impact on Critical Facilities	Economic Impact
Floods	1%	Floodplains	89.3	\$3 billion	\$85-\$850 million	Moderate	High	Moderate	High
Floods	10%	(Local Drainage)	448	---	---	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate
Tornado	0.01%	Countywide	10	\$60 billion	\$872 million	High	High	Moderate	Moderate
Tornado	30.00%	Community	5	\$60 billion	\$419 million	High	High	Moderate	Moderate
Severe Summer Storms	100%	Communities	448	\$58 billion	---	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Low
Severe Winter Storms	100%	Countywide	448	\$58 billion	---	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Low
Drought	1%	Countywide	448	\$58 billion	---	High	Moderate	Low	Moderate
Earthquake	100%	Countywide	448	\$58 billion		Low	Low	Moderate	Low
Dam Failure	0%	Countywide	448	\$58 billion		--	--	--	--
Extreme Temperatures	18%	Countywide	448	\$58 billion	---	High	Low	Low	Low
Erosion	--	Countywide	448	\$58 billion		--	--	--	--
Power Outage		Countywide		\$60 B					

In the latest Village of Lincolnshire Natural Hazard Mitigation Survey, the most noted Natural Hazard impacting residents was Floods (72%); followed by Extreme Cold (45%); High Winds (45%) and Ice Storm (40%).

### 3.3.2 Comparison to State of Illinois Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan

The 2013 Illinois Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan prepared by the Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA) hazard rating system has five levels: low, guarded, elevated, high and severe. Lake County’s hazard ratings for identified natural hazards are in the 2017 Plan are shown in Table 3-9.

Table 3-9 IEMA Hazard Ratings for Lake County Hazard	IEMA Rating 2010	IEMA Rating 2019 (Rank of ALL counties)	ANHMP Rating
Floods	Elevated	Elevated (99 of 102)	High / Moderate
Tornado	High	Elevated (51 of 102)	High
Severe Summer Storms	Severe	Severe	Moderate
Severe Winter Storms	Severe	High	Moderate
Drought	Guarded	Guarded	Moderate
Earthquake	Guarded	Guarded	Low
Extreme Heat	Elevated	Guarded	Low

### 3.3.3 Severe Storm Hazard Profile

Based on feedback from the most recent Public Outreach Survey, residents feel susceptible to severe summer and winter storms as well as floods, addressed previously in this chapter. The severe storms are categorized and addressed below.

**Thunderstorms** affect relatively small areas when compared with hurricanes and winter storms. Despite their small size, all thunderstorms are dangerous. The typical thunderstorm is 15 miles in diameter and lasts an average of 30 minutes. Of the estimated 100,000 thunderstorms that occur each year in the United States, about 10 percent are classified as severe. The National Weather Service considers a thunderstorm severe if it produces hail at least 3/4 inch in diameter, winds of 58 MPH or stronger, or a tornado. Every thunderstorm needs three basic components: (1) moisture to form clouds and rain (2) unstable air which is warm air that rises rapidly and (3) lift, which is a cold or warm front capable of lifting air to help form thunderstorms.

**Lightning**, although not considered severe by the National Weather Service definition, can accompany heavy rain during thunderstorms. Lightning develops when ice particles in a cloud move around, colliding with other particles. These collisions cause a separation of electrical charges. Positively charged ice particles rise to the top of the cloud and negatively charged ones fall to the middle and lower sections of the cloud. The negative charges at the base of the cloud attract positive charges at the surface of the Earth. Invisible to the human eye, the negatively charged area of the cloud sends a charge called a stepped leader toward the ground. Once it gets close enough, a channel develops between the cloud and the ground. Lightning is the electrical transfer through this channel. The channel rapidly heats to 50,000 degrees Fahrenheit and contains approximately 100 million electrical volts. The rapid expansion of the heated air causes thunder.

**Hail** develops when a super cooled droplet collects a layer of ice and continues to grow, sustained by the updraft. Once the hail stone cannot be held up any longer by the updraft, it falls to the ground. Hail up to 2.75 inches in diameter, nearly the size of a baseball, was reported in Lake County in 1967, according to the NCDC. Nationally, hailstorms cause nearly \$1 billion in property and crop damage annually, as peak activity coincides with peak agricultural seasons. Severe hailstorms also cause considerable damage to buildings and automobiles, but rarely result in loss of life.

### **Severe Winter Storms**

Lake County has been impacted by varying degrees of winter weather over the last century; however; the occurrence of severe winter weather in the county is relatively infrequent, even during winter months. Severe winter weather can cause hazardous driving conditions, communications and electrical power failure, community isolation and can adversely affect business continuity. This type of severe weather may include one or more of the following winter factors:

**Blizzards**, as defined by the National Weather Service, are a combination of sustained winds or frequent gusts of 35 mph or greater and visibilities of less than a quarter mile from falling or blowing snow for 3 hours or more. A blizzard, by definition, does not indicate heavy amounts of snow, although they can happen together. The falling or blowing snow usually creates large drifts from the strong winds. The reduced visibilities make travel, even on foot, particularly treacherous. The strong winds may also support dangerous wind chills. Ground blizzards can develop when strong winds lift snow off the ground and severely reduce visibilities.

**Heavy snow**, in large quantities, may fall during winter storms. Six inches or more in 12 hours or eight inches or more in 24 hours constitutes conditions that may significantly hamper travel or create hazardous conditions. The National Weather Service issues warnings for such events. Smaller amounts can also make travel hazardous, but in most cases, only results in minor inconveniences. Heavy wet snow before the leaves fall from the trees in the fall or after the trees have leafed out in the spring may cause problems with broken tree branches and power outages.

**Ice storms** develop when a layer of warm (above freezing), moist air aloft coincides with a shallow cold (below freezing) pool of air at the surface. As snow falls into the warm layer of air, it melts to rain, and then freezes on contact when hitting the frozen ground or cold objects at the surface, creating a smooth layer of ice. This phenomenon is called freezing rain. Similarly, sleet occurs when the rain in the warm layer subsequently freezes into pellets while falling through a cold layer of air at or near the Earth's surface. Extended periods of freezing rain can lead to accumulations of ice on roadways, walkways, power lines, trees, and buildings. Almost any accumulation can make driving and walking hazardous. Thick accumulations can bring down trees and power lines.

## Chapter 4. Mitigation Goals

Chapter 4 of the Lake County ANHMP established hazard mitigation goals and objectives for the County. The County went through an exercise to examine priorities and other factors for establishing the goals. At the October 17, 2013 meeting, the Lincolnshire Mitigation Planning Committee went through the same exercise. Planning Committee members then modified the Lake County goals and guidelines to reflect the Village's needs and priorities.

### 4.1 Community Priorities and Plan Direction

To better understand, community priorities, Planning Committee members selected their top five choices for a list of potential priorities. For community priorities, the top four selected responses were:

- Provide a safe place to live and work
- Improve schools and education programs
- Improve/ get more businesses
- Improve/get more open space

Other responses included improve employment opportunities, water quality habitat, roads and highways and public transportation opportunities, and preserve historic and cultural resources.

For the exercise "What to Focus On," the Planning Committee was asked what the Village's hazard mitigation effort should focus on. The top five responses included:

- Protecting people's lives
- Protecting public health
- Protecting public services
- Protecting critical facilities
- Protecting existing buildings

Other choices included giving attention to the elderly and special populations, and protecting future development.

For the exercise "How to Fund and Implement," the Village chose from a list of funding and implementation options for accomplishing hazard mitigation efforts. The top six responses included:

- Inform people of how they can protect themselves
- Make people aware of the hazards they face
- Help people protect themselves
- Develop public/private partnerships
- Protect life/safety regardless of cost
- Use county/municipal agencies to implement mitigation activities

Other choices included, only fund projects where it's proven the benefits exceed the costs, new developments should pay full cost of protection measures, and protect critical facilities regardless of the cost.

## 4.2 Goals and Guidelines

From the above responses, the goals and guidelines for the Village of Lincolnshire's hazard mitigation efforts are:

Goal 1. Protect the lives, health, and safety of the people of the Village of Lincolnshire from the impact and effects of natural hazards.

Goal 2. Protect public services, utilities and critical facilities from potential damage from natural hazard events.

Goal 3: Mitigate existing buildings to protect against damage from natural hazard events.

Goal 4: Ensure new developments do not create new exposures of people and property to damage from natural hazards.

Goal 5. Mitigate to protect against economic and transportation losses, including the loss of wetlands and other natural resources due to natural hazards.

The following guidelines are for the purpose of achieving the goals and to facilitate the development of hazard mitigation action items:

Guideline 1. Focus natural hazards mitigation efforts on floods, severe summer and winter storms, tornadoes, erosion, extreme temperatures, drought, and wildfires.

Guideline 2. Make people aware of the hazards they face, and focus mitigation efforts on measures allowing property owners and service providers to help themselves.

Guideline 3. Identify specific projects to protect lives

Guideline 4 Identify specific projects to mitigate damage where cost-effective and affordable.

Guideline 5. Use available local funds, when necessary, to protect public services, critical facilities, lives, health and safety from natural hazards.

Guideline 6. Develop and foster public agency and private property owner partnerships to fund and implement mitigation measures, and examine equitable approaches for local mitigation costs, such as user fees.

Guideline 7. Strive to improve and expand business, transportation and education opportunities in the Village of Lincolnshire in conjunction with planned mitigation efforts.

#### **4.4 Consistent with Other Plans**

The developed goals and guidelines in the Village of Lincolnshire All Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan were compared to the goals included in the Village of Lincolnshire's Comprehensive Land Use Plan, Flood Insurance Coverage Improvement Plan, and the Village of Lincolnshire Emergency Operations Plan, as well as the Lake County All Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan. These plans, and many others, have been adopted by the Village Board for consistent practices.

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## Chapter 5. Mitigation Strategies and Capability Assessment

Chapter 5 of the Lake County ANHMP examines hazard mitigation activities currently being implemented by Lake County and the Lake County municipalities, and examines various hazard mitigation strategies that can be undertaken in the future. The Village of Lincolnshire will use Chapter 5 of the Lake County ANHMP as a resource to understand various hazard mitigation strategies for the priority natural hazards identified in Chapter 3 of the Village of Lincolnshire Mitigation Plan.

### Mitigation Strategies

- Preventative Measures
- Property Protection
- Natural Resource Protection
- Emergency Services
- Structural Measures
- Public Information

This Chapter presents a list of hazard mitigation recommendations for the Village of Lincolnshire with a focus on flood hazards. The recommendations in this chapter and in the Lake County ANHMP provide a menu of options for the development of the action plan presented in Chapter 6 of this Mitigation Plan. The recommendations are consistent with the Village of Lincolnshire’s mitigation goals and guidelines presented in Chapter 4.

Six basic strategies, shown in the box above and in Table 5-1, may be applied to mitigate potential damage to property and impact to health and safety from natural hazards. Each strategy includes mitigation measures appropriate for different conditions, as shown in Table 5-1. For instance, planning and regulation measures, as a preventative strategy, are more appropriate for developing areas, while property protection strategies are approaches for existing development and buildings.

**Table 5-1 Natural Hazard Mitigation Activities**

Natural Hazards:	Preventive	Property Protection	Emergency	Resource Protection	Structural Measures	Public Information
Floods (100-year/10-year)	X	X	X	X	X	X
Tornado/High Wind	X	X	X			X
Severe Summer Storms/Hail	X	X	X	X	X	X
Severe Winter Storms	X		X			X
Dam Failure	X		X	X	X	X
Wildfire	X	X	X	X		X
Erosion	X	X		X	X	X
Extreme Heat						X
Extreme Cold		X	X			X
Sewer Backup	X			X		X
Drought	X			X		X
Groundwater	X			X		X

A significant number of hazard mitigation measures are already being implemented by the Village of Lincolnshire. For example, the administration and enforcement of building codes provides protection of buildings from wind, flood and earthquake events, higher watershed standards through the Lake County Watershed Development Ordinance, and the Village drainage system maintenance efforts as well as the 2019 Village-Wide Drainage Study.

The following sections provide a brief summary of the six hazard mitigation strategies applicable to flood hazards, and recommendations made by the Mitigation Planning Committee for the Village of Lincolnshire. Mitigation strategies pertaining to the Village's other priority hazards are contained in the Lake County ANHMP. Note future updates of the Village of Lincolnshire Mitigation Plan can be expanded to further examine natural hazards other than floods. The recommendations from the Lake County ANHMP are also shown within each section. As mentioned above, the Chapter 5 of the Lake County ANHMP should be used as a resource document to further explain strategies and recommendations discussed here.

## 5.1 Preventive Measures

Preventive measures are intended to keep flooding problems from getting worse. They help insure future development does not increase flood damage, and include actions that maintain the drainage system's capacity to carry away floodwaters. The cost of implementing most prevention measures is relatively low in comparison to most remedial measures to reduce future damage. Preventive measures include activities such as:

- Planning and Zoning
- Watershed Regulations
- Building Codes
- Standards for Manufactured Homes
- Critical Facility Construction Requirements
- Lake County Green Guide

**Planning and Zoning:** "Planning" can cover a variety of community plans including, but not limited to, comprehensive plans, land use plans, transportation plans, capital improvement plans, and economic development plans. While plans generally have limited authority, they reflect what the community would like to see happen in the future. Plans also guide other local measures such as capital improvements and the development of ordinances.

### Planning & Zoning Activities Address

- Flood
- Drought
- Groundwater

The 2002 *Lake County Comprehensive Stormwater Management Plan* adopted by the Lake County Stormwater Management Commissions (SMC) was developed to address county-wide stormwater planning needs and watershed regulations. The first countywide *County Comprehensive Stormwater Management Plan* was adopted in 1990 in response to worsening flooding, drainage and water quality problems. SMC has developed a number of watershed-based plans for four major watersheds of the county including North Mill Creek, Bull Creek and Indian Creek within the Des Plaines River Watershed.

A number of Lake County communities have incorporated floodplain development restrictions into their zoning ordinance.

**Watershed Development Regulations:** The Lake County Watershed Development Ordinance (WDO) has been in place in Lake County since 1992. The goal of the WDO is to ensure new development does not increase existing stormwater problems or create new ones. The WDO establishes minimum countywide standards for stormwater management, including floodplains, detention, soil erosion/sediment control, water quality treatment, and wetlands.

The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) sets the minimum floodplain regulation requirements for local floodplain ordinances. The State of Illinois enforces floodway standards exceeding NFIP minimum standards. Standards in the WDO reflect state and federal requirements for floodplain regulation and address specific Lake County flooding problems occurring in depressional storage areas and in unmapped floodplains/floodways.

To address flooding in unmapped floodplains, the WDO definition of a regulatory floodplain includes smaller tributaries subject to more than one square mile of drainage, and depressional areas, not associated with streams, having a storage volume of .75 acre feet or more when inundated by the base flood.

**Building Codes:** The administration and enforcement of building codes is one of the most effective approaches for addressing natural hazard mitigation. Current building codes protect new structures from damage by tornadoes, high winds, floods, snow storms, and earthquakes.

**Other Preventive Measures:** Many times after a flood, victims say they would have taken steps to protect themselves if only they had known they had a floodprone property. Three regulations, one federal and two state, require potential buyers of a parcel be told of any flood hazard.

*Federal law:* Federally regulated lending institutions must advise applicants for a mortgage or other loan to be secured by an insurable building that the property is in a floodplain as shown on the Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM). Flood insurance is required for buildings located within the 100-year floodplain if the mortgage or loan is federally insured. This program does not apply to flood prone areas not mapped on the FIRMs. Floodprone areas that are frequently not mapped include the floodplains of smaller channels and many depressional areas. Depressional area flooding is significant. The use of older flood studies in rapidly developing areas also results in outdated floodplain maps that do not reflect the actual flood risk.

*Illinois Compiled Statutes:* Chapter 55, Section 5/3-5029 requires subdivision plats must show whether any part of the subdivision is located in a Special Flood Hazard Area.

*Illinois Residential Real Property Disclosure Act:* This law, which went into effect on October 1, 1994, requires a seller to tell a potential buyer if the seller is aware of any flooding or basement leakage problem, if the property is located in a floodplain, or if the seller has flood insurance. The law is not wholly reliable because the seller must be aware of a problem and willing to state it on the disclosure form. Due to the sporadic occurrence of flood events, a property owner may legitimately not be aware of potential flooding problems with a property being sold or purchased.

### **Lincolnshire Preventive Measure Conclusions and Recommendations**

1. Current Village of Lincolnshire regulations for construction in the floodplain and stormwater management are effective.
2. The Village of Lincolnshire should continue to administer and enforce regulations and building codes to protect property from damage due to natural hazards (flood, tornado, severe storms and wind).
3. The Village should continue to coordinate with ComEd and other utility providers for the protection of utility service during and after extreme weather events.

### **Lake County ANHMP Preventive Measure Recommendations**

1. Complete current and accurate floodplain maps for all Lake County watersheds and submit to FEMA for adoption.
2. The Village should ensure fully and properly administer and enforce the requirements of the NFIP.
3. The Village should ensure full enforcement all provisions of the WDO and the forthcoming amendments.
4. Village should collaborate and work together with County to develop building code language to strengthen new buildings against damage by high winds, tornadoes and hail.
5. The Village should work to improve code administration and enforcement, and should also be trained on implementing the codes that are applicable to hazard mitigation
6. The adequacy or current requirements for manufactured home and recreational vehicle parks for protection from natural hazards should be examined, especially concerns pertaining to placement in flood prone areas, tie downs and sheltering.
7. Village planning and engineering staff should develop example subdivision ordinance language that requires new infrastructure to have hazard mitigation provisions, such as secondary access to subdivisions.
8. Offices responsible for design, construction or permitting critical facilities should ensure that the design accounts for natural hazards and adjacent land uses.
9. Village must understand and consistently enforce the WDO, and the TAC should continue efforts in these areas.
10. Village should work to improve CRS Classification.
11. Village must encourage the use of back-up power sources or generators to address power outages.

## **5.2 Property Protection**

Property protection measures are used to modify or remove buildings subject to flood damage rather than to keep floodwaters away. Because of the widespread extent of flood damage caused by shallow, low velocity flooding in Lake County, traditional flood control structures such as levees and reservoirs are generally not economically justifiable in most areas. Individual property protection measures are usually the most preferred and cost-effective flood mitigation measures in these circumstances. Many property protection measures do not affect a building's appearance or uses, making them particularly appropriate for historical sites and landmarks.

Although most property protection measures are paid for and implemented by individual property owners, there is increasing government interest and cost-share funding available for building relocation and acquisition, which are seen as permanent solutions to flood damage. While property protection is viewed as the property owner's responsibility, local governments can actively support and promote private efforts by providing technical assistance and incentives. Property protection measures include activities such as:

- Building Acquisition/Relocation
- Building Elevation, Floodproofing or Barriers
- Building Structural Retrofitting
- Insurance

**Building Acquisition/Relocation:** Acquisition ensures buildings in a flood prone area will cease to be subject to damage. The major difference is acquisition is undertaken by a government agency, so the cost is not borne by the property owner, and the land is converted to an appropriate public use such as a park. Acquiring and clearing buildings from the floodplain is not only the best long-term flood protection measure, it also is a way to convert a problem area into a community asset providing environmental and recreational benefits.



This home was acquired by the SMC and the site was cleared for open space.

Moving a building to higher ground is the surest and safest way to protect it from flooding. While almost any building can be moved, the cost goes up for heavier structures, such as those made of brick, and for large or irregularly shaped buildings. Building relocation is generally cost-effective where flooding is relatively severe and/or frequent. Buildings that have suffered structural damage or contamination from frequent or long duration flooding should not be considered for relocation.

**Elevation:** Raising or elevating a house above the flood level protects the structure and contents from flood damage. When flooding occurs, water levels stay below the main floor, causing no damage to the structure or its contents. Raising a building above the flood level is less expensive than acquiring it or moving it, and can be less disruptive to a neighborhood. Commonly practiced in flood prone areas nationwide, this protection technique is required by law for new and substantially damaged residences located in a 100-year floodplain.

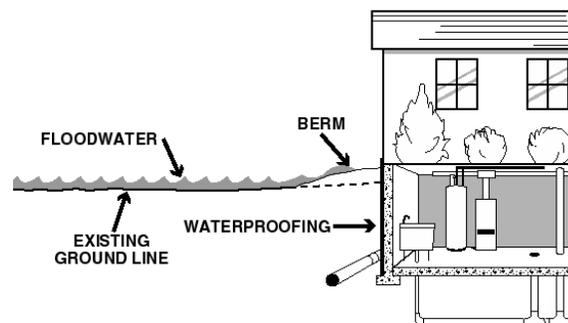


This house was elevated one foot above the base flood elevation of the Des Plaines River (prior to the adoption of the WDO).

Although flood damage can be reduced significantly or eliminated through building elevation, there are some limitations to remaining in a flood prone location. While the building itself is elevated sufficiently to be protected from flood damage, flooding may isolate the building making it inaccessible. In addition, flood waters can result in a loss of utility service in flooded areas making the building uninhabitable even though it isn't damaged, and pollutant contamination in floodwaters will still threaten health and safety.

**Floodproofing:** Floodproofing covers measures that provide either wet floodproofing or dry floodproofing. In areas

where there is shallow flooding, dry floodproofing measures can be used to prevent water from entering some buildings. A wet floodproofing strategy will allow water to enter the building, but moves damageable belongings, appliances and utilities out of harm's way. *Dry Floodproofing:* Dry floodproofing is a combination of practices used to seal a building against floodwaters. Walls, floors and all openings must be sealed and made watertight. Buildings with crawlspaces generally cannot be dry floodproofed because water can seep under walls into the crawlspace. However, buildings on slabs and buildings with basements can benefit from dry floodproofing.



A structural engineer should be consulted to design the dry floodproofing measures due to the need to address hydrostatic pressure against foundation walls that occur during floods.

*Wet Floodproofing:* Wet floodproofing provides damage protection from floodwaters that cannot be kept out of a building. It is a relatively simple means of making sure nothing gets damaged when floodwaters enter the building. Wet floodproofing includes some of the least expensive and easiest mitigation practices to install.

Wet floodproofing approaches range from moving valuable items to a higher floor; to rebuilding the floodable area. At the very least, several low-cost steps can be taken to wet floodproof a structure. Simply moving furniture and electrical appliances out of the floodprone area of the building can prevent thousands of dollars in damage.

Wet floodproofing measures work wherever there is a level above the flood zone to which items can be relocated; in general wet floodproofing does not work for one-story houses where living areas get flooded.

*Sewer backup protection:* Basement flooding can occur when the sanitary system overloads with stormwater and backs sewage up into the basement through the sanitary

**Dry Floodproofing - Buildings on slab**

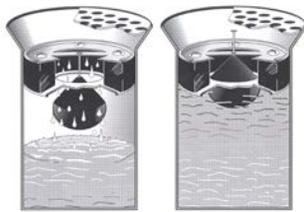
- Walls are coated with waterproofing compounds or plastic sheeting.
- Openings, such as doors, windows, sewer lines and vents, are closed either permanently, with removable shields, or with sandbags.

**Dry Floodproofing - Buildings with basements**

- Waterproofing compound is applied to the walls before fill is placed against the side of the house.
- Installation of a subsurface drain tile and sump pumps is a must to handle water that will naturally seep through the fill.
- Surface water is kept away from the walls with backfill (see illustr

line. Even when sanitary and storm waters are carried in separate pipes, and they are through nearly all of Lake County, sewer backup can occur when cross connections between the storm and sanitary sewers exist, or if there are infiltration or inflow problems into the lines.

Houses which have downspouts, footing drain tile, and/or a sump pump connected to the sanitary sewer service may be inundated when heavy rains overload the system. In addition to these sources, sanitary lines can also be



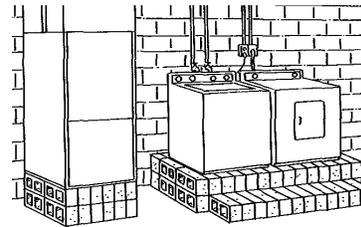
Automatic floor drain plug

inundated by stormwater by way of runoff infiltration into old leaky pipes or where the sanitary manholes are not properly sealed. Several Lake County communities experience very high sewage flows following heavy rain events. As in the case of Wauconda, some wastewater treatment plants cannot adequately treat the heavy volume of combined stormwater and sewage, so the plant is by-passed and sewage is discharged directly to surface waters untreated.

If allowed by the local code, sump pumps, downspouts and footing drains should be disconnected from the sanitary sewer line and the rain and groundwater directed out onto the ground, away from the building. The solution to stormwater overload of the sanitary system also includes the need for timely maintenance of sanitary lines, repairing or replacing pipe where it leaks, and upgrading old waste water treatment facilities that are inadequate for the existing level of use.

Until sanitary infiltration is fixed, a property owner may use four approaches to protect sanitary sewer openings from backup. Floor drain plugs or floor drain standpipes can be installed to keep water from flowing out of the floor drain into the building. However,

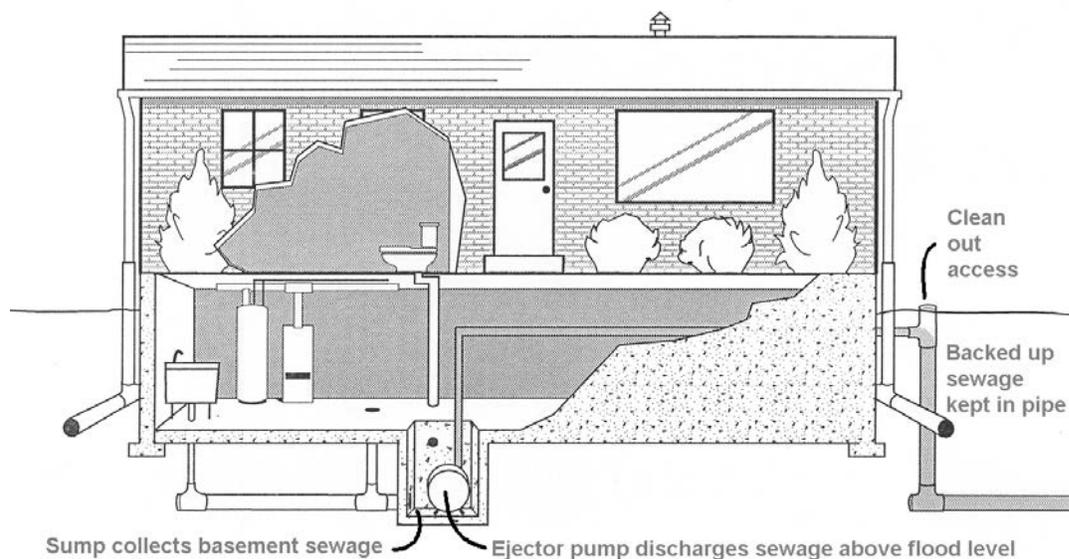
- Wet Floodproofing
- Everything subject to damage by water or sediment is moved to a higher level or out of the building. For example, the electrical panel and the furnace should be relocated to an upper floor.
- Where flooding is not expected to be deep, items needing protection may be placed on platforms or blocks.



- Lighter items, such as lawn furniture or bicycles, are evacuated after a flood warning is issued.

these may not be effective if water gets deep enough in the sewer system to flow out of the next lowest opening, which is likely to be a toilet or utility sink.

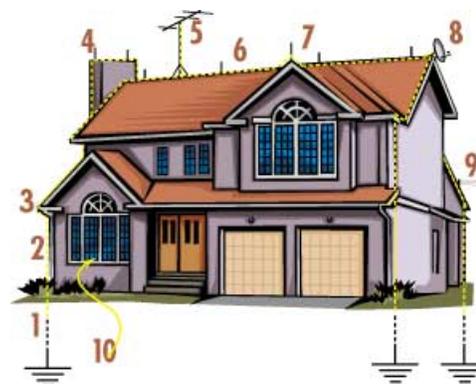
Overhead sewers and backup valves are more expensive, but more secure for this circumstance. An overhead sewer keeps water in the sewer line during a backup. A backup valve allows sewage to flow out, while preventing backups from entering the building.



Overhead sewer arrangement

Severe Storm Retrofitting: Retrofitting approaches to protect private or public buildings from the effects of **thunderstorms** include:

- Shelters
- Storm shutters
- Lightning rods
- Strengthening connections and tie-downs (similar to tornado retrofitting)
- Impact-resistant glass in window panes
- Surge protectors at electrical outlets



Lightning protection measures

Source: State Farm Insurance

Also, roofs can be replaced with materials less susceptible to damage by hail, such as modified asphalt or formed steel shingles.

Winter Storm Retrofitting: Winter storm retrofitting measures include improving insulation on older buildings and relocating water lines from outside walls to interior spaces. Windows can be sealed or covered with an extra layer of glass (storm windows)

or plastic sheeting. Roofs can be retrofitted to shed heavy loads of snow and prevent ice dams that form when snow melts.

**Insurance:** Insurance does not prevent flooding or flood damage; it helps an owner protect his/her property investment by paying for repairs and replacement of items damaged in a flood. While a typical homeowner’s insurance policy does not cover a property for flood damage, flood insurance coverage is available through the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). The NFIP will cover flooding above the first floor of buildings. Flood insurance also covers basement flooding provided there is a general condition of flooding in the area that was the proximate cause of the basement getting wet. Several insurance companies offer coverage for damage incurred should a sump pump fail or sewer line back up. Most exclude damage from surface flooding covered by the NFIP. Insurance is also available for earthquakes and other hazards such as sinkholes. Most of these coverages are included to a property policy as a policy rider.

**Community Rating System (CRS):** FEMA created the NFIP’s CRS program in 1990. It is designed to recognize floodplain management and other watershed management activities exceeding NFIP minimum requirements. Communities participating in the NFIP can apply for the CRS. When appropriate applications and reviews are completed, a community is awarded a CRS class rating. Residents and property owners of that community then qualify for a flood insurance premium rate reduction ranging from 5 to 45 percent. CRS credit is provided for 19 creditable activities, organized under four categories:

- Public Information
- Mapping and Regulations
- Flood Damage Reduction
- Flood Preparedness

The CRS is a voluntary program and is modeled after the fire insurance rating system. Insurance premiums are adjusted based on the rating of the community. The Village of Lincolnshire is currently a CRS Class 5 community.

The CRS class rating and insurance premium reductions are shown in the table below. Properties in the FEMA Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHAs), or the 100-year floodplain, receive a 5 percent premium reduction for every improvement in the CRS class. Properties outside the SFHA already have a reduced premium (since they are outside the floodplain), and therefore have a lower premium reduction than properties in the SFHA.

CRS Class	Credit Points	Premium Reduction	
		SFHA*	Non-SFHA
1	4,500+	45%	10%
2	4,000 – 4,499	40%	10%
3	3,500 – 3,999	35%	10%
4	3,000 – 3,499	30%	10%
5	2,500 – 2,999	25%	10%
6	2,000 – 2,499	20%	10%
7	1,500 – 1,999	15%	5%
8	1,000 – 1,499	10%	5%
9	500 – 999	5%	5%

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\*SFHA = Special Flood Hazard Area

Credit points are then earned from the following categories, listed by activity number:

<b>Public Information</b>		<b>Flood Damage Reduction</b>	
310	Elevation Certificates	510	Floodplain Management Planning
320	Map Information	520	Acquisition and Relocation
330	Outreach Projects	530	Flood Protection
340	Hazard Disclosure	540	Drainage System Maintenance
350	Flood Protection Library		
360	Flood Protection Assistance		
370	Flood Insurance Promotion		
<b>Mapping and Regulations</b>		<b>Warning and Response</b>	
410	Floodplain Mapping	610	Flood Warning and Response
420	Open Space Preservation	620	Levees
430	Higher Regulatory Standards	630	Dams
440	Flood Data Maintenance		
450	Stormwater Management		

The Village currently receives credit in Activities 310, 320, 330, 340, 350 and 360; Activities 410, 420, 430, 440 and 450; Activities 510, 530 and 540 and Activity 610.

**Repetitive Flood Loss Properties:** Chapter 3 and Chapter 5 of the Lake County ANHMP discuss the Lake County and Lake County community repetitive loss properties (properties with two federal flood insurance claims of at least \$1,000 in any ten year period) designated by FEMA. Currently, FEMA has identified two repetitive loss property within the Village of Lincolnshire.

### Lincolnshire Property Protection Conclusions and Recommendations

1. Properties of Concern:
  - Lincolnshire Drive
  - Londonderry Lane
  - Rivershire Development
  - Sedgebrook Community
  - Stonegate Circle
  - Marriott
2. Information and resources should be provided to residents for potential property flood damage protection measures.
3. Technical advice is needed to assist property owners in determining appropriate alternatives.
4. Obtain technical advice from agencies such as the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.
5. Investigate sewer back-up prevention measures.
6. The treatment plant has been flood proofed.
7. The Village should consider acquisition of properties in the floodplain, as opportunities arise, to convert to floodplain open space.

### **Lake County ANHMP Property Protection Recommendations**

1. All buildings and critical facilities in the floodplain, SMC problem areas and depressional storage areas, with priority given to buildings or facilities in the floodway, should be mitigated, to the extent that the measures are cost effective and feasible.
2. All buildings and critical facilities in or out of the floodplain and subject to damage due to erosion, should be mitigated, to the extent that the measures are cost effective and feasible. For example, the homes being impacted in the Bull Creek Watershed in Beach Park.
3. Identified repetitive flood loss areas should be further investigated through flood audits, and flood prone structures should be mitigated.
4. SMC should continue to conduct flood audits and to pursue hazard mitigation grants for the acquisition of properties that are cost effective and have interested property owners.
5. Investigate property-owner incentives for elevations, barriers and floodproofing.
6. Establish and disseminate guidelines for local officials for determining what mitigation measures are appropriate to protect property for various circumstances for floods, severe storms, tornadoes and other priority hazards in Lake County.
7. Available property protection public education materials for all priority hazards should be consolidated and tailored for Lake County. Materials should address measures that can help owners reduce their exposure to damage by natural hazards and the various types of insurance coverage that are available.
8. Critical facilities should be audited to determine their vulnerability and hazard mitigation needs.
9. Mitigation projects should be pursued for vulnerable critical facilities, including public facilities and health-care related facilities. Each public entity should protect its own publicly-owned facilities with appropriate mitigation measure(s), except where efficiencies allow for joint funding and joint projects.
10. The availability of tornado shelters or safe rooms in Lake County should be investigated
11. Safe rooms should be constructed wherever needed in Lake County with priority given to schools and critical facilities.
12. Develop action plan to identify and remedy illicit hook ups and sewer infiltration that maps and prioritizes problem areas for remediation. This can be done as county coordinated community program in conjunction with NPDES Phase 2 requirements.
13. Encourage business recovery plans.
14. Feasible mitigation projects should be funded through grants or through capital funding.
15. All property owners should be encouraged to determine if they are adequately insured for natural hazards.
16. Each public entity (county, community, schools and other agencies) should evaluate its own properties, with a priority given to critical facilities, to determine vulnerabilities to damage from natural hazards.

### 5.3 Resource Protection

Natural resource protection measures serve to restore or preserve the natural functions of the floodplain and other components of the watershed storage and drainage system. These measures are implemented by a variety of public and private parties ranging from forest preserves and regulatory agencies to land developers and farmers. Resource protection measures include activities such as:

- Open space preservation
- Wetland protection
- Erosion and sediment control
- Streambank restoration
- Groundwater protection
- Urban forestry
- Historic and natural area protection

**Open Space Preservation:** Open space preservation throughout a watershed is important for a variety of natural hazard and environmental reasons. Preserving floodplains and natural sites of water storage, such as wetlands and low-lying areas maintains the existing stormwater storage capacities of an area. These sites can also serve as recreational areas, greenway corridors, provide habitat for local flora and fauna, and improve water quality. Open space may also be maintained as a park, golf course, or in agricultural use.

Upland areas within a watershed may be key to limiting runoff that will worsen flooding problems, important for water quality and groundwater recharge. Purchase of land is the most common approach to open space preservations; however, other methods can be considered in addition. Several more affordable examples of open space preservation practices include the purchase or dedication of easements limiting use of the parcel in exchange for a tax abatement or as a condition of development approval, and the purchase of development rights for a property.

**Wetland Protection Regulations & Soil Erosion and Sediment Control:** Wetlands are usually found in floodplains or depressional areas. They provide numerous natural and beneficial functions warranting protection. Wetlands located in the Waters of the

- Wetlands**
- Store large amounts of floodwater
  - Reduce downstream flood peaks
  - Reduce flood velocities
  - Protect shorelines from erosion
  - Filter water making it cleaner
  - Are groundwater recharge and discharge sites
  - Provide habitat for species that cannot live or breed anywhere else

U.S. (WOUS) are regulated by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps). Local wetland programs are important for addressing gaps in the federal regulations, particularly for smaller wetlands, unregulated activities, and indirect hydrologic impacts. Local wetland programs can require undisturbed buffers be maintained around wetlands.

The WDO provides standards for the isolated wetlands no longer under the jurisdiction of the Corps.

**Stream Restoration:** Our understanding of the need for stream, streambank and riparian environment protection has grown significantly in past decades. Eroding streambanks negatively impact our infrastructure (bridges and culvert blockages), impact property, and degrade the water quality. Terminology for “stream restoration” can differ, but the objective is to return streams, streambanks and adjacent land to a more natural condition, including the natural meanders. Terms such as “ecological restoration” encourage the restoration of native indigenous plants and animals to an area.

A key component of these efforts is to use appropriate native plantings along the banks that resist erosion. This may involve retrofitting the shoreline with willow cuttings, wetland plants, and/or rolls of landscape material covered with a natural fabric that decomposes after the banks are stabilized with plant roots.

**Groundwater Protection:** Groundwater concerns in Lake County pertain to both groundwater quantity (or groundwater availability) and groundwater quality. The quantity of groundwater and groundwater recharge, depends on the ability of runoff to reach a pervious surface where it can become seepage. Urban runoff reaching a storm sewer, for example, which discharges into a stream is effectively lost from the groundwater system.

All groundwater was at one time surface water. Rain and snow melt seeps or infiltrates into the ground. The quantity and the rate water seeps into the ground, and becomes stored groundwater, varies based on land use, soils, season, temperature, and more. Water infiltrating through the soil can eventually reach aquifers where groundwater is stored.

**Urban Forestry:** The majority of damage caused by wind, ice and snow storms is to trees. Downed trees and branches break utility lines and damage buildings, parked vehicles and anything else that was under them. A forestry program (urban or rural) can reduce the damage potential of trees.

Urban foresters or arborists can select hardier trees which can better withstand high wind and ice accumulation. Only trees attaining a height less than the utility lines should be allowed along the power and telephone line rights-of-way

By having stronger trees, programs of proper pruning, and ongoing evaluation of the trees, communities can prevent serious damage to their tree population. A properly written and enforced urban forestry plan can reduce liability, alleviate the extent of fallen trees and limbs caused by wind and ice build-up, and provide guidance on repairs and pruning after a storm. Such a plan helps a community qualify to be a Tree City USA. The Village of Lincolnshire participates in Tree City USA.

To qualify as a Tree City USA, a community must meet four standards established by The Arbor Day Foundation and the National Association of State Foresters:

1. A Tree Board or Department
2. A Tree Care Ordinance
3. A Community Forestry Program With an Annual Budget of at Least \$2 Per Capita
4. An Arbor Day Observance and Proclamation

**Historic and Natural Area Protection:** Lake County has over 90 homes, hotels, other buildings and districts included on the National Register of Historic Places. Additional sites are maintained by the Lake Forest/Lake Bluff Historical Society, the Fox Lake-Grant Township Historical Society, the Grayslake Historical Society and the Waukegan Historical Museum. The historic sites are vulnerable to hazards. It is difficult to protect the structures from hazards due to their historic nature, but it is important to consider should any mitigation opportunities be presented.

There are also ten historic bridges in Lake County listed in the "Historic Bridges of the U.S." list.

### **Lincolnshire Resource Protection Conclusions and Recommendations**

1. The Village does a good job towards natural resource protection within the Village.
2. Look for opportunities to preserve flood storage.
3. Encourage activities such as rain gardens.

### **Lake County ANHMP Resource Protection Recommendations**

1. Municipal comprehensive plans, land use plans and zoning ordinances should incorporate open space provisions protecting properties from flooding and preserve wetlands, groundwater quality and recharge, and farmland.
2. An open space network should be designated and mapped based on the information collected in data layers for the area-wide conservation and development map. Soils, historic, archeological or cultural sites and recreation potential should also be added as considerations for designation of land in the open space network.
3. Communities should implement an urban forestry program that qualifies them to become a Tree City, USA.
4. The public and decision makers should be informed about the hazard mitigation benefits of restoring rivers, wetlands and other natural areas.
5. Better monitoring and enforcement of best management practice performance.
6. Complete watershed assessments and plans that incorporate specific BMPs based on watershed conditions for all 26 of Lake County's sub watersheds.

## **5.4 Emergency Services**

Emergency services measures protect people during and after a flood. Emergency management programs include activities such as:

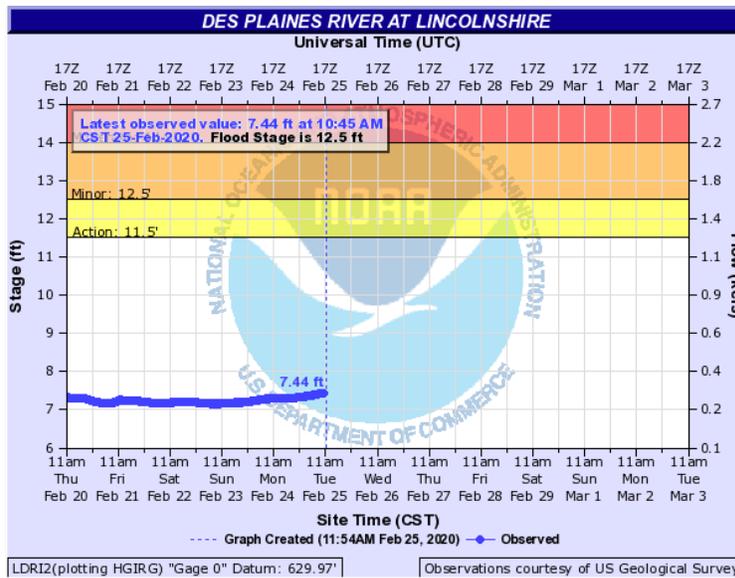
- Emergency Planning
- Threat recognition
- Warning
- Response

- Recovery and mitigation
- Critical facility protection

**Emergency Planning:** An emergency operations plan (EOP) ensures all response needs are addressed and all response activities are appropriate for the expected threat. EOPs require frequent reviews to keep contact names and telephone numbers current and to make sure supplies and equipment needed are still available. EOPs should be critiqued and revised after disasters and exercises to take advantage of the lessons learned and changing conditions. The end result is a coordinated effort implemented by people who have experience working together so available resources will be used in the most efficient manner.

**Threat Recognition:** The first step in responding to a flood, tornado, storm or other natural hazard is to know when weather conditions are such an event could occur. With a proper and timely threat recognition system, adequate warnings can be disseminated. Effective threat recognition is key for emergency managers and local officials in order to protect life, health, safety and property from the impact of natural hazards.

**Floods:** A complete flood threat recognition system measures rainfall, snow conditions, soil moisture, and stream flows upstream in order to calculate the time and height of the flood crest downstream.



The National Weather Service (NWS) tracks precipitation, monitors river stages and issues flood crest forecasts during potential flood situations. The NWS continuously relays weather information through radio transmissions, and flood forecasts are also available via the Internet. A system of stream and rain gages jointly operated by the United States Geological Survey (USGS) and the SMC supplement data available to the NWS.

Table 5-2 shows NWS prediction locations for the Des Plaines and Fox Rivers. Stages are unique to a particular location and sometime difficult to relate to upstream or downstream locations. The creation of flood stage maps is one alternative to understanding a predicted flood stage and the extent of a flood inundation area.

**Warning:** Earlier and accurate warning leads to better response. Warning notifications may be disseminated by the community in a variety of ways, and multiple or redundant systems are most effective. Systems include:

**Table 5-2 NWS Flood Forecast Points**

River/Location	Action Stage	Flood Stage
Des Plaines River		
Russell	6.5 feet	7.0 feet
Gurnee	6.5 feet	7.0 feet
Lincolnshire	11.5 feet	12.5 feet
Des Plaines	4.5 feet	5.0 feet
Fox River		
Antioch	--	739 feet
Stratton L&D	3.5 feet	4.0 feet
Algonquin	2.5 feet	3.0 feet

**Figure 5-1 Flood Forecast and Rain and Stream Gage Links**

**Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR)**  
<https://www.dnr.illinois.gov/WaterResources/Pages/Surveillance.aspx>

**National Weather Service (NWS)**  
<https://www.weather.gov/>

**United States Geological Service (USGS)**  
<http://waterdata.usgs.gov/il/nwis/rt>

- Outdoor warning sirens
- Sirens on public safety vehicles
- Commercial or public radio or TV stations
- The Weather Channel
- Cable TV emergency news inserts
- Reverse 911 or telephone trees/mass telephone notification
- NOAA Weather Radio
- Tone-activated receivers in key facilities
- Door-to-door contact
- Mobile public address systems
- Cellular phone text messages
- E-mail or social media notifications

**StormReady:** The National Weather Service established the StormReady program to help local governments improve the timeliness and effectiveness of hazardous weather-related warnings for the public. To be officially StormReady, a community must:

- Establish a 24-hour warning point and emergency operations center (EOC)
- Have more than one way to receive severe weather warnings and forecasts and to alert the public
- Create a system monitoring weather conditions locally
- Promote the importance of public readiness through community seminars
- Develop a formal hazardous weather plan, which includes training severe weather spotters and holding emergency exercises.

Being designated as a StormReady community by the NWS is a good measure of a community's emergency warning program for weather hazards.

**Response:** The protection of life and property is the goal of effective emergency response. Concurrent with threat recognition and issuing warnings, a community should respond with actions to prevent or reduce damage and injuries. Typical actions and responding parties include the following:

- Activating the emergency operations center (emergency management)
- Closing streets or bridges (police or public works)
- Shutting off power to threatened areas (utility company)
- Passing out sand and sandbags (public works)
- Ordering an evacuation (chief elected official)
- Holding children at school/releasing children from school (school district)
- Opening evacuation shelters (Red Cross)
- Monitoring water levels (engineering)
- Security and other protection measures (police)

Once a threat is recognized, the first priority is to alert others through the warning system. The second priority is to respond with actions to prevent or reduce damage or injury.

**Critical Facility Protection:** Protecting critical facilities during a hazard event is a vital part of any emergency service effort. If a critical facility is flooded, for example, workers and resources may be unnecessarily drawn away from protecting the rest of the community. If such a facility is prepared, it will be better able to support the community's flood response efforts.

Lincolnshire critical facilities are shown in Exhibit 1-[x]. All Lincolnshire critical facilities have backup power sources, and the Londonderry Lane lift station has been elevated and fitted with backup power.

**Recovery and Mitigation:** Preventing dangers to health and safety is critical after a hazard event. Recovery plans should identify appropriate measures various community departments should undertake.

Appropriate post-disaster mitigation actions include, but are not limited to:

- Conducting a public information effort to advise residents about mitigation measures they can incorporate into their reconstruction work
- Providing safe drinking water
- Clearing streets of debris
- Evaluating damaged public facilities to identify mitigation measures that can be included during repairs
- Evaluating substantially or repeatedly damaged buildings
- Post-disaster debrief to determine response improvements
- Planning for long-term mitigation activities
- Applying for post-disaster mitigation funds

## **Lincolnshire Emergency Services Conclusions and Recommendations**

1. All Village-owned critical facilities have back-up power for storm events.
2. Additional communication strategies can be explored for preparation of flooding.
3. Post-event communication from the Village to property owners can be improved.

## **Lake County ANHMP Emergency Services Recommendations**

1. All communities should strive to obtain a StormReady designation.
2. Continue to update emergency operations plans for the County, and continue to develop municipal emergency operations plans with a NIMS compliant template.
3. Continue work for NIMS compliance for the County and all municipalities, and provide training on NIMS and ICS for all first responders and other identified personnel for compliance.
4. Improve information sharing between Lake County, municipal/township agencies and services providers, such as ComEd, during and after natural hazard events. Systems should be put in place to help ensure that response and recovery efforts are coordinating and well communicated.
5. Add a "Flood Annex" to the *Lake County Emergency Operations & Preparedness Plan*.
6. Establish an emergency response assessment teams, including a mitigation team and a health department team.
7. Response procedures for severe storm and high wind hazards should be incorporated in all emergency operations planning and response where appropriate.
8. Incorporate more proactive flood response activities in emergency plans. (i.e. identify and closely monitor known problem constrictions in drainage system; system of monitoring lake levels by lake associations for lakes with associated flood problem areas; guidance to property owners on when and how to turn off utilities during flood)
9. Standardize and improve system of flood damage reporting by the county, townships and municipalities in computerized database format.
10. The County and communities should ensure that alternative power sources are available at critical structures and shelters.
11. Establish a "You Are Not Alone" program for seniors and the handicapped.
12. Install and maintain lightning detection systems for population and/or active sites.
13. Emergency operations centers at the County and in municipalities should be evaluated for effectiveness and functionality, and modified appropriately. The County and all municipalities should have a fully operational emergency operations center and a secondary location.
14. Conduct annual emergency response training exercises and table-top exercises. Look for multi-jurisdiction training opportunities.
15. Develop a disaster recovery strategy for the County and municipalities that includes the identification of mitigation efforts.
16. Investigate adequacy and research funding opportunities for emergency warning and response equipment, including outdoor weather warning sirens, generators for critical facilities, and other warning systems.
17. Develop flood stage maps for the County's major streams to make use of gaging networks, warning systems and GIS mapping capabilities.

18. Obtain and share additional information regarding stream gage readings and emergency response actions.
19. Research funding for additional rainfall and river gages. Also the County and community should look to expand the National Weather Service observer's network.
20. Continue use and funding of the County's Reverse-911 system and utilize other applications of that system for natural hazard warning and response.
21. Develop emergency transportation plans that allow for emergency coordination and evacuation (routing).
22. Maintain and update snow removal plans

## 5.5 Structural Measures

Structural projects are projects constructed to protect people, buildings and infrastructure from damage due to natural hazards. Preventing damage due to flooding is the primary focus of structural projects. Structural projects are usually funded by public agencies. Structural measures include activities such as:

- Watershed Planning
- Regional Flood Control
- Management Of Existing Dams
- Improving Crossings/Roadways
- Drainage And Storm Sewer Improvements

**Watershed Planning:** A watershed is an area of land draining to a river or stream. It includes rivers, streams, lakes and wetlands. Everyone lives in a watershed and everyone contributes to the health of the watershed. Communities are often situated in more than one watershed. In the 1970s and 1980s the watersheds were studied by state and federal agencies (IDNR-OWR, the Corps and NRCS) for purposes of FEMA floodplain mapping and for purposes of identifying flood control projects to address existing flooding. Watershed studies are based on hydrologic (rainfall-runoff) models and hydraulic (extent and depth of flooding) models. As development expands throughout Lake County, these models have become less and less reliable for depicting full extent of the 100-year flood, for example.

As funds become available, SMC has been remodeling watershed sub-basins and developing watershed plans. Completed and underway watershed studies in Lake County include:

- Indian Creek Watershed-Based Plan (Des Plaines River) (*Adopted March 2009*)

Watershed studies conducted in the 1970s and 1980s did not examine wetlands, critical environmental areas or water quality. Current watershed plans examine these issues as well as flood issues.

**Regional Flood Control:** Structural flood control measures are used to prevent floodwaters from reaching properties, thus preventing damage. These measures generally involve construction of man-made structures to control water flows. Because of their size and cost, structural projects typically are implemented with the help of state or federal flood control agencies such as the IDNR-OWR, the Corps, and the NRCS.

Since structural flood control is generally the most expensive type of mitigation measure in terms of installation costs, maintenance requirements and environmental impacts, a thorough alternative assessment should be conducted before choosing a structural flood control measure. In some circumstances smaller structural flood control measures may be included in a package of several recommended measures for a project area where non-structural measures would not be practical or effective.

Because larger structural flood control projects have regional or watershed-wide implications, they are often planned at a regional level by the state and federal agencies that provide the majority of project funding. Nonetheless, communities should participate in and coordinate with regional flood control studies to insure they are practical, effective and have community acceptance.



Flood control studies have been done by federal and state agencies on the North Branch of the Chicago and Des Plaines Rivers. Some recommendations from these studies for reservoirs and levees have been constructed, others have not.

**Drainage System Maintenance and Improving Crossings and Roadways:** The drainage system may include detention ponds, stream channels, swales, ditches and culverts. Drainage system maintenance is an ongoing program to clean out blockages caused by an accumulation of sediment or overgrowth of weedy, non-native vegetation or debris, and remediation of streambank erosion sites.

“Debris” refers to a wide range of blockage materials including tree limbs and branches that accumulate naturally, or large items of trash or lawn waste accidentally or intentionally dumped into channels, drainage swales or detention basins. In addition to sediment, debris and weedy vegetation removal, drainage maintenance can also involve using best management practices (BMPs) to stabilize eroding shorelines or streambanks. Maintenance of detention ponds may also require revegetation or repairs of the restrictor pipe, berm or overflow structure.

There is currently no coordinated program or maintenance standards established at the county level to consistently perform on-going drainage maintenance. Maintenance is typically done on an as-needed basis in response to problems or complaints about blockages or erosion. In many cases, property owners must consent to the maintenance program. This may require legal negotiations to obtain maintenance easements.

In Illinois, the responsibility for drainage way maintenance on private property, when no easements have been granted, is with the individual private property owner. This generally results in very little maintenance being accomplished.

The Lake County Stormwater Management Commission (SMC) has developed “A Citizen’s Guide for Riparian Area Management” educating landowners about debris removal and riparian landscaping. SMC anticipates adopting stream maintenance standards in the future to provide guidance and consistency for maintenance in Lake County.

In some cases buildings may be elevated above floodwaters but access to the building is lost when floodwaters overtop local roadways, driveways, and culverts or ditches. Depending on the recurrence interval between floods, the availability of alternative access, and the level of need for access, it may be economically justifiable to elevate some roadways and improve crossing points.

For example, if there is sufficient downstream channel capacity, a too small culvert serving as a constrictor creating backwater and causing localized flooding may be replaced with a larger culvert to eliminate flooding at the waterway crossing point. The potential for worsening adjacent or downstream flooding needs to be considered before implementing any crossing or roadway drainage improvements.

### **Lincolnshire Structural Measure Conclusions and Recommendations**

1. Examine berm maintenance issues.
2. Londonderry Lift Station has been elevated and includes a backup generator.
3. The Village should continue to work with Lake County and other agencies to identify additional structural measures (regional approaches) to protect homes from flood damage.
4. The Village should look for any opportunities to provide additional flood storage in the Des Plaines River or North Branch watersheds.

### **Lake County ANHMP Structural Measure Recommendations**

1. SMC and communities should investigate the need and ability to improve the capacity of drainage systems.
2. Drainage studies, for both system capacity and detention needs, should be conducted for local drainage problem areas, as identified, and areas should be included in the SMCs mapping of flood problem areas.
3. Communities should undertake steps to reduce inflow and infiltration into sewer system to reduce sewer backups.
4. Develop, adopt and implement protocol for drainage system maintenance standards countywide (waterways, swales, detention basins, levees, reservoirs).
5. Study the feasibility of structural flood control projects within Lake County watersheds and pursue funding for feasible projects.
6. Provide preventative maintenance for susceptible landslide areas.
7. Pursue funding for studies and construction of feasible local and regional drainage projects.

### **5.6 Public Information**

*Mitigation of all natural hazards can be accomplished through effective public information activities.* This is also true for addressing health issues and pandemics. Public information activities advise property owners, renters, businesses, and local officials about hazards and ways to protect people and property. A successful hazard mitigation program involves a public information strategy and involves both the public and private sectors. Public information includes activities such as:

- Library and website resources
- Outreach projects
- Technical assistance

Individual property owners usually implement property protection measures; therefore, a community mitigation program should include measures to encourage and assist owners in protecting their property from flood damage.

A community has passive and active ways to inform residents about flood hazards and damage mitigation. Passive ways to provide information include providing reference materials and map information in the public library, at government agency offices and on a web page. Active approaches include outreach projects and providing technical assistance. Developing a Village of Lincolnshire Plan for Public Information is considered in this Mitigation Plan.

In one-on-one sessions with property owners, community officials such as code enforcement staff or building inspectors can provide technical advice and information on identifying flood hazards at the site, correcting local drainage problems, flood proofing, dealing with contractors, and funding.

### **Lincolnshire Public Information Conclusions and Recommendations**

1. The Village utilizes a number of ways to communicate with residents, yet Village's public information efforts can be improved before, during and after natural hazard events.
2. Public information efforts should be expanded for resources information to property owner for activities such as building rain gardens.
3. The Village should develop a CRS Plan for Public Information and a Flood Insurance Coverage Improvement Plan.

### **Lake County ANHMP Public Information Recommendations**

1. LCEMA, SMC and other county agencies should build a county-wide partnership for coordinated delivery of public information materials and activities.
2. Communities in the NFIP should provide floodplain information for property owners.
3. Communities in the NFIP should promote flood insurance to residents and property owners
4. Develop and implement a system to coordinate the distribution of flood mitigation and response guidance materials for pre-flood outreach to at risk property owners.
5. Increase outreach to community plan departments and commissions to strengthen local understanding and review of development proposals and their compliance with WDO standards.
6. Educate property owners on safe rooms. Prepare informational material how to construct safe rooms in homes and other buildings
7. Develop a method that helps identifies safe rooms and encourages their use.
8. Education property owners and residents about safety during severe summer and winter storms.
9. Provide information to property owners and residents about safe use of generators and safe cooking during power outages.
10. Provide information that identifies location of cooling and warming shelters.

### **5.7 Capability Assessment Summary**

Village of Lincolnshire has existing capabilities to minimize future vulnerabilities to hazards. Section 5.1 discusses the plans, ordinances, and programs to help prevent or minimize possible future impacts of hazards. The Lake County WDO addressed new development, but also strives to mitigate the impact of existing development.

Apparent to the development of this Mitigation Plan is the Village of Lincolnshire has the capability to bring together citizens and local officials to work closely together in crafting a better future for the community. That same cooperative effort, if joined with the appropriate technical and financial assistance from regional, state and federal resources, can be harnessed to implement the priority hazard mitigation actions described in Section 6 of this Mitigation Plan. A sustained effort by the citizens, staff, and local officials can create a more sustainable and disaster resistant future for the Village of Lincolnshire.

## Chapter 6. Action Plan

The action items presented in this Chapter were developed by the Village of Lincolnshire.

### 6.1 Development of Action Plan

The Village is using its prioritization of natural hazards, review of goals and guidelines and a review of possible mitigation approaches to develop the action items. The action items included in the 2017 Lake County ANHMP were also reviewed for the development of this Action Plan.

*Prioritization:* Action items are prioritized within this Chapter in the order presented. The prioritization was established based on the survey results from December 2019 and January 2020. The action items have been formulated around the priority hazards discussed in Chapter 3 and the goals and guidelines presented in the Chapter 4.

*Action item format:* Action items assign responsibilities and deadlines to the appropriate agencies. Each action item contains a short description and a section for the responsible agency, the deadline for accomplishing the action item, the costs (and potential funding sources), and the benefits. Potential funding sources include the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance programs: the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP), the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Program (PDM), and the Flood Mitigation Assistance Program (FMA).

The action items are summarized in Table 6-1. While this Chapter provides action items in a priority order, any and all action items should be implemented if staff time and/or funding becomes available ahead of other action times. The relationship between action items and the goals and guidelines are shown in Table 6-2.

*Please note,* the Village of Lincolnshire may choose to implement a lower priority action prior to a higher priority action, or implement a recommendation included in Chapter 5 of this Mitigation Plan or the Lake County ANHMP not included in this action plan, based on a hazard event, opportunity, property owner interest or available funding. All mitigation opportunities should be considered.

## 6.2 Village of Lincolnshire Action Items

The Village of Lincolnshire will work to implement the following action items in the next five years as staff and funding resources allow:

### **Action Item 1: Plan Adoption**

The Village of Lincolnshire will adopt this Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan (Mitigation Plan) by resolution every five-years.

*Responsible Board or Department:* Village Board.

*Deadline:* Every five-years.

*Cost:* Staff time.

*Benefits:* Adoption of this Mitigation Plan is required for the CRS program.

*Plan Reference:* Chapters 2 and 7 of this Mitigation Plan.

### **Action Item 2: Plan Monitoring and Maintenance**

The Village of Lincolnshire Natural Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee will continue to be an advisory group to the Village Board. The Planning Committee will meet at least once a year to evaluate and monitor progress on implementation of this Mitigation Plan, and to organize for the next update of this Mitigation Plan. An annual report should be submitted to the Village Board as an information item.

*Responsible Board or Department:* Public Works, CRS Coordinator and Planning.

*Deadline:* Five-year update is required for FEMA's mitigation funding programs.

*Cost:* Staff time.

*Benefits:* The Mitigation Plan should be evaluated, updated, and evaluated for new opportunities. The annual report is a requirement of the CRS.

*Plan Reference:* Chapters 2 and 7 of this Mitigation Plan.

### **Action Item 3: Improve Natural Hazards Public Information Efforts**

The village publishes monthly communication through Social Media accounts and on the website for flood hazards as required by CRS. Improvements can be made in sharing information with other identified hazards such as extreme temperatures. Information providing shelter from excessive heat and from excessive cold weather is made available by Lake County and should be shared to Lincolnshire stakeholders. *Responsible Board or Department:* Administration, Public Works and Emergency Management.

*Deadline:* Ongoing.

*Cost:* Staff time and publication costs.

*Benefits:* Public information efforts can address nearly every natural hazard and more than on hazard can be discussed with an audience at one time.

*Plan Reference:* Chapter 5, Section 5.6 of the Lake County ANHMP, and Chapter 5 of this Mitigation Plan.

### **Action Item 4: Improve Village Communications Before, During and After Hazard Events**

The Village should continue to improve communication to residents and other stakeholders of Lincolnshire. Village departments should work to ensure messages are consistent, provide the needed and correct information, and work to assist each other with dissemination. All forms of communication (written, website, social media) should

continue to be used. The Village should monitor all Natural Hazard information from Lake County to quickly share valuable information to residents and Lincolnshire stakeholders.

*Responsible Board or Department:* All departments.

*Deadline:* Ongoing.

*Cost:* Staff time and publication costs.

*Benefits:* These efforts serve to protect people and property.

*Plan Reference:* Chapter 5 of this Mitigation Plan.

### **Action Item 5: Property Protection Projects**

Properties exposed to erosion damage and severe storms throughout the Village of Lincolnshire can be protected through property protection measures where regional structural projects are not feasible. Property protection measures should include, but not be limited to elevation, floodproofing, or retrofitting. All flood prone properties (floodplain, depressional storage or SMC problem areas) including critical facilities should be included.

*Responsible Board or Department:* Public Works and Building Department

*Deadline:* 5 years.

*Cost:* Identified per project. Potential grant funding sources may be available.

*Benefits:* Properties will be better protected from future flooding. Also the exposure of the NFIP will be reduced. There will also be a reduction in emergency response as structures are protected or removed from erosion prone areas.

*Plan Reference:* Chapter 5 of this Mitigation Plan.

### **Action Item 6: Continue to Address Concerns with the Lincolnshire-Londonderry Berm**

The earthen berm near the Des Plaines River along/following Lincolnshire Drive extends across a number of private residential properties. The Village has worked closely in the past with residents for flood fighting purposes, and has examined alternatives to improve the effectiveness of the berm. This action item does not call for any specific action, but recommends the Village continue to monitor the condition of the berm and to explore options for protecting the berm, as they arise. The Village Board decided that any maintenance or changes to the berm would be an infringement of private property. If residents that have the berm on their property which to organize as a group and approach the Village about the issues with the berm, they are welcome to do so.

*Responsible Board or Department:* Public Works.

*Deadline:* Annually.

*Cost:* Project specific.

*Benefits:* The berm protects the Lincolnshire-Londonderry neighborhood from smaller floods on the Des Plaines River.

*Plan Reference:* Chapter 5 of this Mitigation Plan.

### **Action Item 7: Continue Maintenance Programs for Drainage Systems**

The Village should continue with its formal and regular drainage system maintenance programs. These efforts should include inspection of drainage facilities. Streambank and shoreline stabilization efforts should also be evaluated and implemented. Public information should be provided to property owners on how best to protect streambanks and shorelines.

*Responsible Board or Department:* Public Works.

*Deadline:* Ongoing.

*Cost:* Staff time and equipment.

*Benefits:* Regular maintenance can protect both structures and property. Regular maintenance can also be more cost effective than major maintenance efforts that are done on an as-needed basis.

*Plan Reference:* Chapter 5, Section 5.5 of the Lake County ANHMP.

### **Action Item 8: Continue Participation in the Community Rating System**

The Village of Lincolnshire should continue to participate in the Community Rating System (CRS). Required for CRS participation is full compliance with the minimum requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program.

*Responsible Board or Department:* Lincolnshire CRS Coordinator and all departments.

*Deadline:* Ongoing.

*Cost:* Staff time.

*Benefits:* The CRS program saves property owners money on flood insurance premiums and it has been shown to be effective for both comprehensive watershed management and emergency response planning.

*Plan Reference:* Chapter 5 of this Mitigation Plan.

### **Action Item 9: Continue to Participate in Tree City USA**

The Village of Lincolnshire should maintain its status in Tree City USA to enhance the community but to also monitor the health of the trees in the Village and protect property from downed trees or utility interruption during or after storms.

*Responsible Board or Department:* Public Works Department and Community and Economic Development Department.

*Deadline:* Annual.

*Cost:* Staff time.

*Benefits:* Urban forestry programs provide mitigation against severe winter and summer storms, and high wind events. The loss of trees is prevented along with the protection of power, telephone and cable services. Damage to vehicles and buildings from falling limbs is also prevented.

*Plan Reference:* Chapter 5, Section 5.3 of the Lake County ANHMP.

### **Action Item 10: Participation in StormReady**

The Village of Lincolnshire should consider joining the National Weather Service's StormReady program. The StormReady program has been developed to provide communities guidelines to improve the timeliness and effectiveness of hazardous weather-related warnings for the public.

*Responsible Board or Department:* Emergency Management.

*Deadline:* 24 months.

*Cost:* Staff time, and equipment purchases for some communities.

*Benefits:* By meeting StormReady requirements, the Village will be better able to detect impending weather hazards and disseminate warnings as quickly as possible. All efforts to prevent injury, save lives, and protect property are of high value.

*Plan Reference:* Chapter 5, Section 5.4 of the Lake County ANHMP.

**Action Item 11: Continue to Implement Action Items in the Lake County ANHMP**

Implementation of the action items listed in Chapter 6 of the Lake County ANHMP should continue by the Village of Lincolnshire.

*Responsible Board or Department:* Lincolnshire's representative to the Lake County LPC.

*Deadline:* Ongoing.

*Cost:* Staff time and any project costs.

*Benefits:* This effort supports the Village's adoption of the Lake County ANHMP in August 2017.

*Plan Reference:* Chapter 6 of the Lake County ANHMP.

**Action Item 12: Encourage Homeowner Projects That Enhance the Village and Reduce Storm Runoff**

Small efforts to reduce stormwater runoff and improve water quality by one property owner have a cumulative effect when they are done by many property owners. Rain gardens help to reduce flood runoff and they also enhance the environment. The Village should distribute information on activities such as rain gardens providing property owners an idea of what they can do to help address flood issues throughout Lincolnshire.

*Responsible Board or Department:* Planning

*Deadline:* Ongoing.

*Cost:* Identified per project.

*Benefits:* Small efforts may protect basements and crawl spaces, and all efforts contribute to the reduction of runoff.

*Plan Reference:* Chapter 5 of this Mitigation Plan.

**Action Item 13: Provide Additional Stormwater and Floodwater Storage**

The Lake County SMC continues to work with other agencies to consider regional approaches (large detention sites) to provide flood damage reduction. Small detention or storage sites may be all that is available, and when small sites or small opportunities for stormwater storage become available, the Village of Lincolnshire should consider exploring funding, design and construction.

*Responsible Board or Department:* Public Works Department and Community and Economic Development Department.

*Deadline:* Ongoing.

*Cost:* Identified per project. Potential funding sources include HMGP, PDM, and FMA.

*Benefits:* Smaller flood events may have less impact on the Village of Lincolnshire residents and property.

*Plan Reference:* Chapter 5 of this Mitigation Plan

**Action Item 14: Consider Opportunities to Acquire Available Properties in the Floodplain**

When properties located in the Village of Lincolnshire floodplains become available for purchase, the Village should consider whether acquisition of that property would be a benefit to the Village.

*Responsible Board or Department:* Public Works and Planning.

*Deadline:* Ongoing.

*Cost:* Identified per project. Potential funding sources include FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance grant programs.

*Benefits:* Property protection measures include the acquisition of floodplain properties, and floodplain properties that are kept as open space or returned to open space allow the floodplain to do its job of storing flood waters.

*Plan Reference:* Chapter 5 of this Mitigation Plan and Chapter 5, Section 5.2 of the Lake County ANHMP.

### **Action Item 15: Seek Mitigation Grant Funding for Cost Beneficial Projects**

When appropriate for a mitigation project, the Village of Lincolnshire should apply for mitigation grant funding through available IEMA and FEMA programs for mitigation planning and mitigation projects. As required by IEMA and FEMA programs, projects must be cost beneficial. FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance program funding and Section 406 of the Stafford Act (for facilities and infrastructure damaged from an event which received a presidentially disaster declaration) should be considered.

*Responsible Board or Department:* Public Works, Planning, Administrator's Office.

*Deadline:* As needed.

*Cost:* 25% of plan or project cost (non-federal share). Potential funding sources include HMGP, PDM, and FMA.

*Benefits:* The Village of Lincolnshire, along with residents and property owners, would benefit from the available grant funding.

*Plan Reference:* Chapter 5 of this Mitigation Plan.

### **Action Item 16: Implement Recommendations from Villagewide Drainage Study**

The Village of Lincolnshire will be receiving results from a Villagewide Drainage Study in spring 2020. The drainage study will be used to identify projects and optimize the village's drainage system.

*Responsible Board or Department:* Public Works, Planning, Administrator's Office.

*Deadline:* Ongoing.

*Cost:* Identified per project

*Benefits:* The Village of Lincolnshire, along with residents and property owners, would benefit from implementing the recommendations.

*Plan Reference:* Chapter 5 of this Mitigation Plan.

## **6.3 Implementation Strategy**

The Village of Lincolnshire will pursue the action items listed in this Chapter as staff and funding resources allow. The Village of Lincolnshire will also continue to implement action items pertaining to municipalities in Chapter 6 of the Lake County ANHMP. However, as mentioned in Section 6.1, the other recommendations included in this Mitigation Plan and the Lake County ANHMP (i.e., in Chapter 5) are no less important and should be implemented as opportunities arise. Plan monitoring and maintenance are discussed in Chapter 7 of this Plan.

**Table 6-1 Summary of Village of Lincolnshire Mitigation Plan Action Items**

Action Item:	Action Item To Be Implemented By:						
	Village Board	Village Manager	Econ. Development	Public Works	Emerg. Mgmt.	Other Dept.	Property Owners/ Stakeholders
1. Plan Adoption	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					
2. Participation on the Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee and Plan Monitoring and Maintenance			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
3. Incorporate ANHMP into Other County and Municipal Plans		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. Continued Implementation of the WDO and NFIP Requirements		<input type="checkbox"/>					
5. Improve Natural Hazards Public Information Efforts with focus on the Promotion of Flood Insurance and How People Can Protect Themselves and Their Property				<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Identify Needs and Obtain Alternate Power Sources for Critical Facilities and Shelters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Review of Critical Facilities and Implement of Appropriate Mitigation Measures				<input type="checkbox"/>			
8. Improve Capacity of Drainage Systems and/or Provide Additional Storage of Flood Waters		<input type="checkbox"/>					
9. Implement Maintenance Programs for Drainage Systems, Including Streambank Stabilization Efforts				<input type="checkbox"/>			
10. Implement Property Protection Projects for Flood Mitigation					<input type="checkbox"/>		
11. Identify Wind Mitigation Opportunities for the Protection of Buildings, and to Provide Safe Rooms and Sheltering				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
12. Participation in Tree City USA (Urban Forestry)				<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>
13. Continue Work for NIMS Compliance			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
14. Seek Mitigation Grant Funding for Additional Mitigation Planning and Cost Beneficial Projects	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
15. Continue Participation in the NFIP's Community Rating System	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>				

**Table 6-2 Summary of Village of Lincolnshire Mitigation Plan Goals**

	Goals (Chapter 4)				
	Goal 1.	Goal 2.	Goal 3:	Goal 4.	Goal 5.
Action Item:	Protect the lives, health, and safety of people	Protect public services, utilities and critical facilities	Mitigate existing buildings	Ensure that new developments do not create new exposures	Mitigate to protect against economic and transportation losses
1. Plan Adoption	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Plan Monitoring and Maintenance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Improve Natural Hazards Public Information Efforts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Improve Village Communications Before, During and After Hazard Events	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Property Protection Projects	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Concerns with the Lincolnshire-Londonderry Berm	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Maintenance Programs for Drainage Systems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Community Rating System Participation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Participation in Tree City USA	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Participation in StormReady	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Lake County ANHMP Action Items	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. Homeowner Projects to Reduce Runoff	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. Provide Additional Stormwater and Floodwater Storage	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. Opportunities to Acquire Available Properties in the Floodplain	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
15. Seek Mitigation Grant Funding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>

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**Table 6-3 Summary of Lake County ANHMP Action Items**

Action Item:	Action Item To Be Implemented By:						
	Village Board	Lake County SMC	Lake County EMA	Lake County PB&D	Municipal Boards & Councils	Village Staff	Other Stakeholders
1. Plan Adoption	<input type="checkbox"/>				<input type="checkbox"/>		
2. Participation on the Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee and Plan Monitoring and Maintenance		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>	
3. Incorporate ANHMP into Other County and Municipal Plans		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Continued Implementation of the WDO and NFIP Requirements		<input type="checkbox"/>				<input type="checkbox"/>	
5. Improve Natural Hazards Public Information Efforts with focus on the Promotion of Flood Insurance and How People Can Protect Themselves and Their Property		<input type="checkbox"/>				<input type="checkbox"/>	
6. Identify Needs and Obtain Alternate Power Sources for Critical Facilities and Shelters		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
7. Review of Critical Facilities and Implement of Appropriate Mitigation Measures		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>	
8. Improve Capacity of Drainage Systems and/or Provide Additional Storage of Flood Waters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Implement Maintenance Programs for Drainage Systems, Including Streambank and Ravine Stabilization Efforts		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Implement Property Protection Projects for Flood Mitigation		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
11. Reduce Inflow and Infiltration to Protect Against Sewer Backups		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. Identify Wind Mitigation Opportunities for the Protection of Buildings, and to Provide Safe Rooms and Sheltering		<input type="checkbox"/>				<input type="checkbox"/>	
13. Continue Participation or Consider Participation in Tree City USA (Urban Forestry)		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
14. Continue Work for NIMS Compliance		<input type="checkbox"/>				<input type="checkbox"/>	
15. Improve Building Codes and Building Code Enforcement		<input type="checkbox"/>				<input type="checkbox"/>	
16. Seek Mitigation Grant Funding for Additional Mitigation Planning and Cost Beneficial Projects	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17. Continue Participation or Consider Participation in the NFIP's Community Rating System	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18. Continue to Map Natural Hazard Impacts and Continue Vulnerability Assessments			<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19. Continue with Identification and Implementation of SMC Flood Mitigation Projects				<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
20. Develop of Flood Stage Maps				<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
21. Investigate Countywide Warning System						<input type="checkbox"/>	
22. Investigate Future Conditions and the Impact on Depth and Frequency of Flooding						<input type="checkbox"/>	
23. Participation in StormReady			<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>	

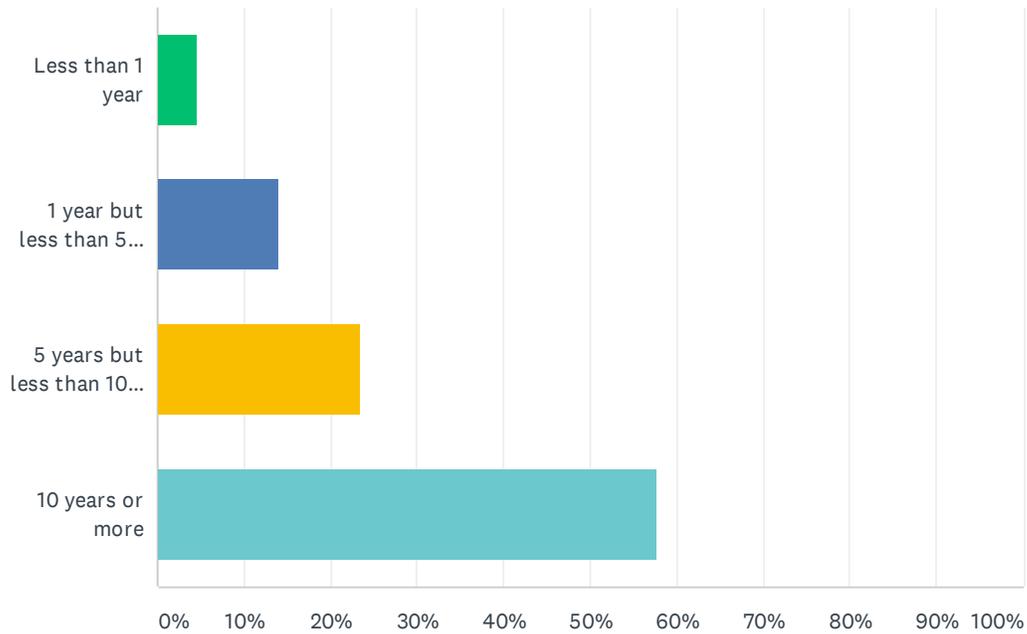
## **Appendix B.**

### **Public Involvement**

This Appendix includes the public involvement efforts for the development of the Village of Lincolnshire Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan including survey data.

## Q2 How long have you lived or operated a business at your current location?

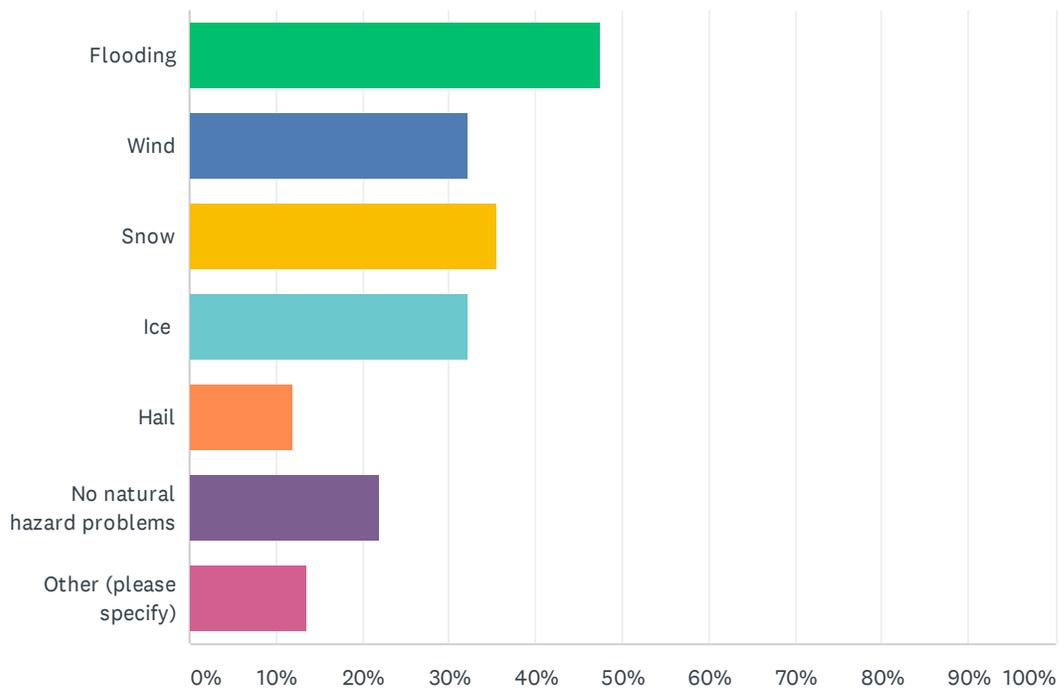
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than 1 year	4.69%	3
1 year but less than 5 years	14.06%	9
5 years but less than 10 years	23.44%	15
10 years or more	57.81%	37
TOTAL		64

### Q3 In the past 10 years, have you or someone at your household or business been impacted by the following natural hazards (Check all that apply)?

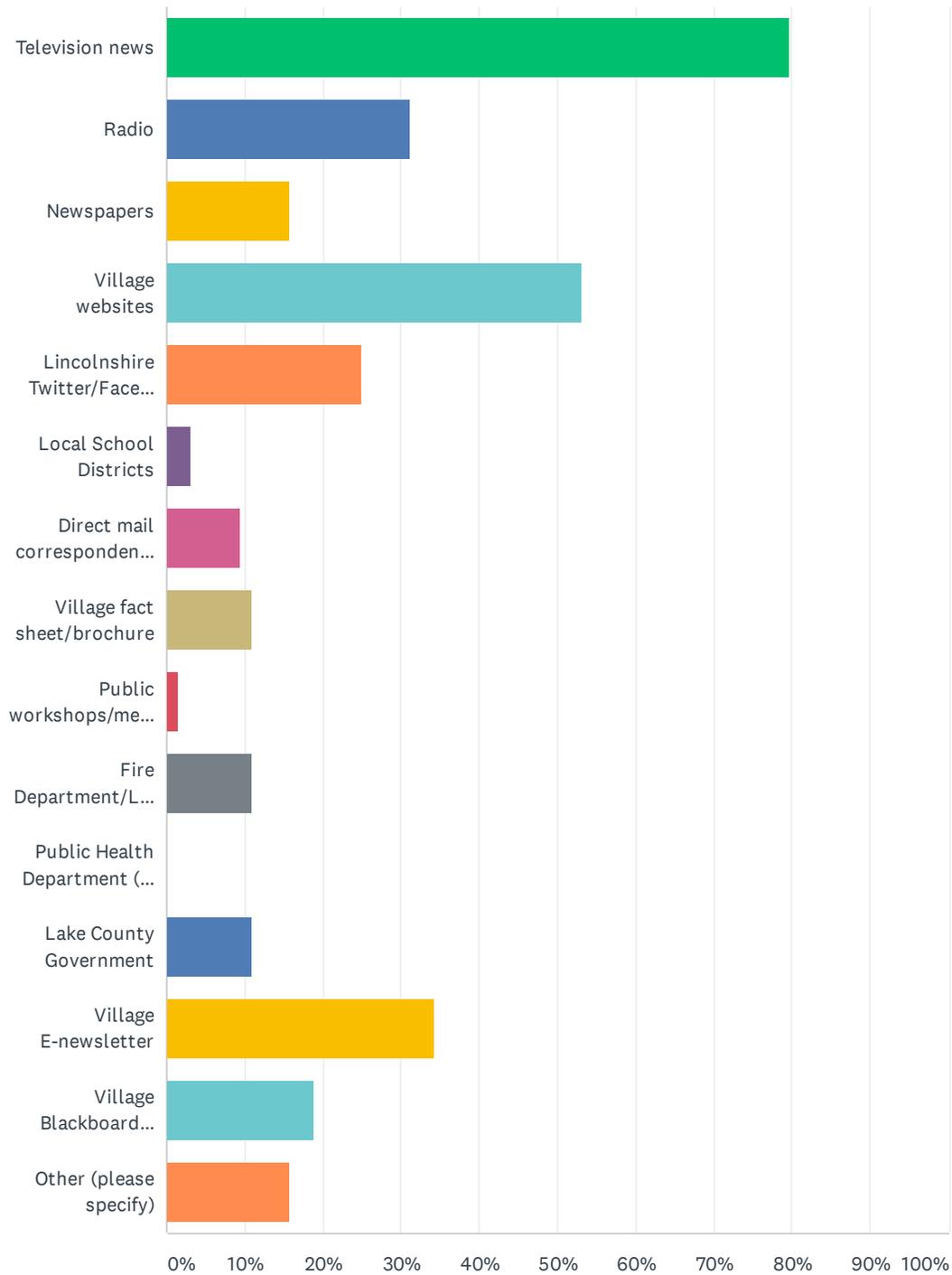
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Flooding	47.46%	28
Wind	32.20%	19
Snow	35.59%	21
Ice	32.20%	19
Hail	11.86%	7
No natural hazard problems	22.03%	13
Other (please specify)	13.56%	8
Total Respondents: 59		

# Q5 During a natural disaster, where do you go for information updates (Check all that apply)?

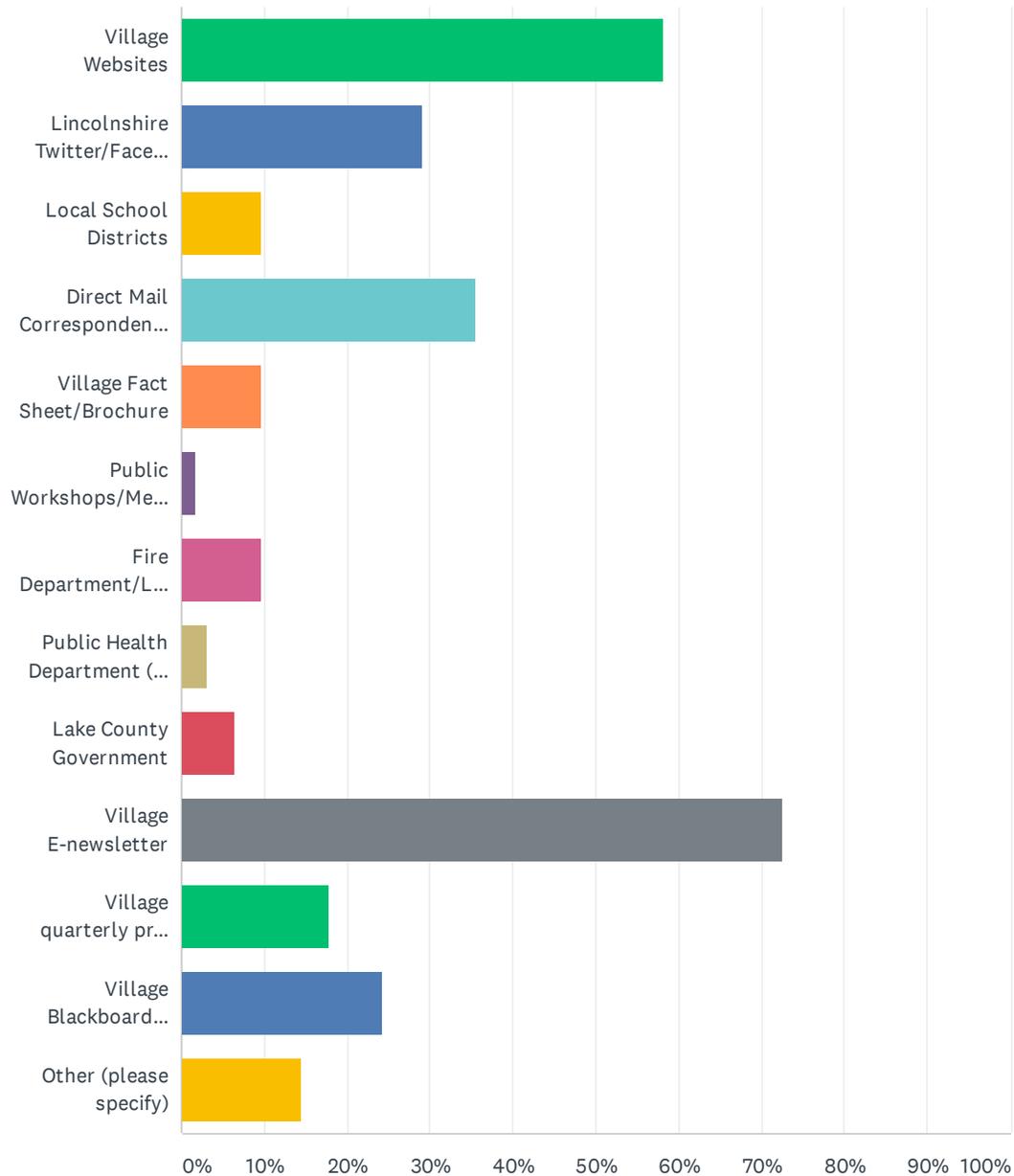
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Television news	79.69%	51
Radio	31.25%	20
Newspapers	15.63%	10
Village websites	53.13%	34
Lincolnshire Twitter/Facebook Page	25.00%	16
Local School Districts	3.13%	2
Direct mail correspondence from Village	9.38%	6
Village fact sheet/brochure	10.94%	7
Public workshops/meetings	1.56%	1
Fire Department/Law Enforcement	10.94%	7
Public Health Department (Not Village)	0.00%	0
Lake County Government	10.94%	7
Village E-newsletter	34.38%	22
Village Blackboard Connect Emergency Notification Service	18.75%	12
Other (please specify)	15.63%	10
Total Respondents: 64		

### Q6 Prior to a natural disaster, what are the best ways for you to receive information from the Village about how to protect your family, home or business from damage due to natural hazards (Check all that apply)?

Answered: 62 Skipped: 2



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Village Websites	58.06%	36
Lincolnshire Twitter/Facebook Page	29.03%	18
Local School Districts	9.68%	6
Direct Mail Correspondence from Village	35.48%	22
Village Fact Sheet/Brochure	9.68%	6
Public Workshops/Meetings	1.61%	1
Fire Department/Law Enforcement	9.68%	6
Public Health Department (Not Village)	3.23%	2
Lake County Government	6.45%	4
Village E-newsletter	72.58%	45
Village quarterly print newsletter	17.74%	11
Village Blackboard Connect Emergency Notification Service	24.19%	15
Other (please specify)	14.52%	9
Total Respondents: 62		

## **Appendix A.**

### **Village of Lincolnshire Resolutions**

This Appendix include the Village of Lincolnshire's resolution adopting this Mitigation Plan.

**VILLAGE OF LINCOLNSHIRE**

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**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE VILLAGE OF LINCOLNSHIRE  
ALL-NATURAL HAZARDS MITIGATION PLAN**

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VILLAGE OF LINCOLNSHIRE  
LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

**RESOLUTION #XXX**  
**Adopting the Village of Lincolnshire**  
**All-Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan**

**Whereas** the Village of Lincolnshire participates in the National Flood Insurance Program's Community Rating System (CRS) and is striving to improve the Village's CRS rating to provide additional flood insurance discounts to residents and property owners; and

**Whereas** the Village of Lincolnshire participated with Lake County, Illinois in the development of the Lake County All-Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan (ANHMP) and adopted the ANHMP on August 13, 2012; and

**Whereas** the adopted ANHMP allows the Village to be eligible for grants under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, Public Law 93-288, as amended by the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, Public Law 106-39, and provides the Village with certain CRS credit; and

**Whereas** the Village of Lincolnshire desires earn additional CRS credit by developing a flood and other natural hazard mitigation plan specific to the needs of the Village, particularly with a focus of reducing potential flood damage; and

**Whereas** the Village of Lincolnshire also desires to pursue a plan for public information relating to floods and desires to do so with the involvement of residents and businesses.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF LINCOLNSHIRE, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS**, as follows:

**Section 1:** This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption as provided by law.

SO RESOLVED this 23 day of March, 2020, at Lincolnshire, Lake County, Illinois.

AYES:  
NAYS:  
ABSENT:

APPROVED:

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Mayor Elizabeth J. Brandt

ATTEST:

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Village Clerk Barbara Mastandrea

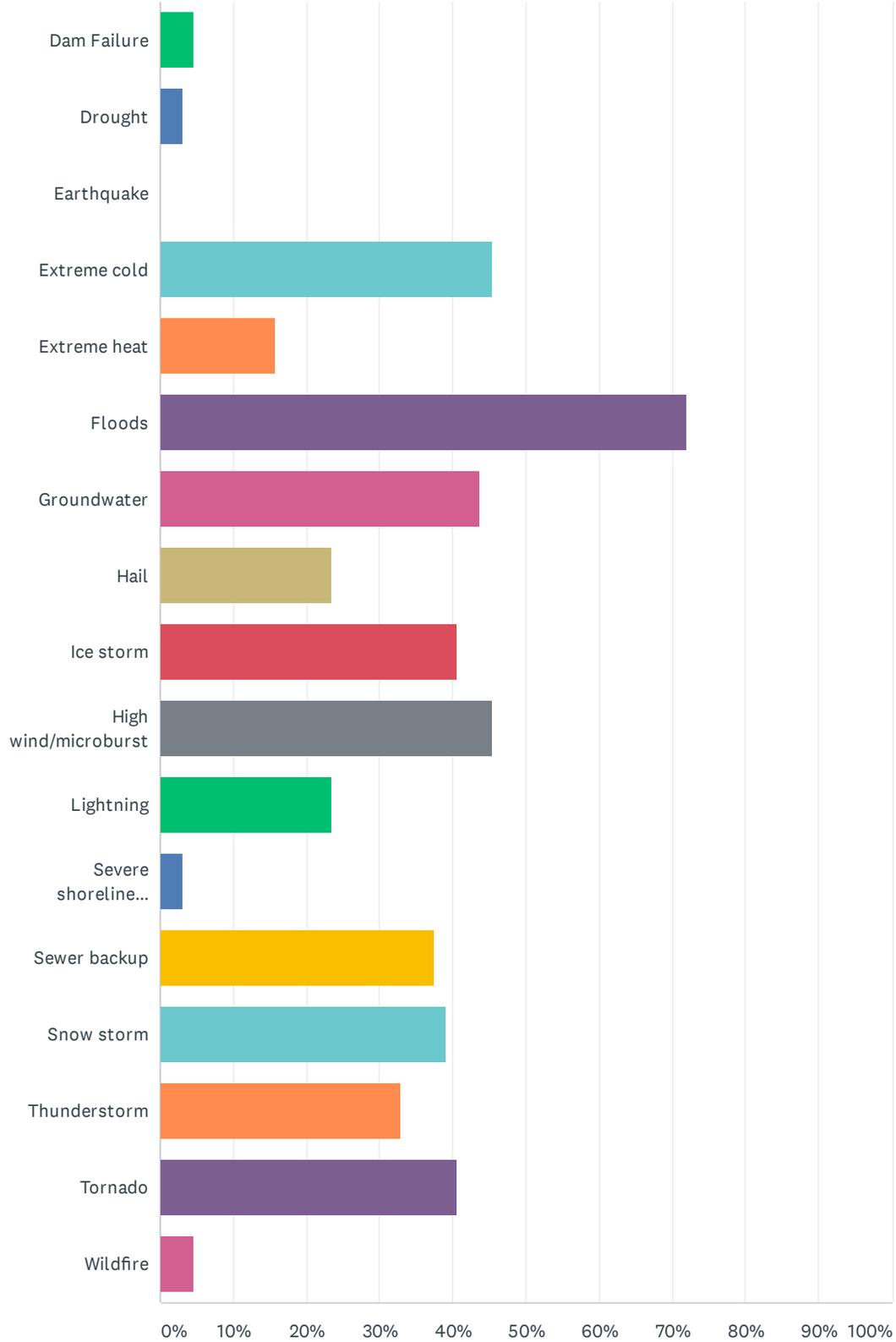
## **Appendix B.**

### **Public Involvement**

This Appendix includes the public involvement efforts for the development of the Village of Lincolnshire Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan including survey data.

## Q7 What natural hazards, concern your family or business (Check all that apply)?

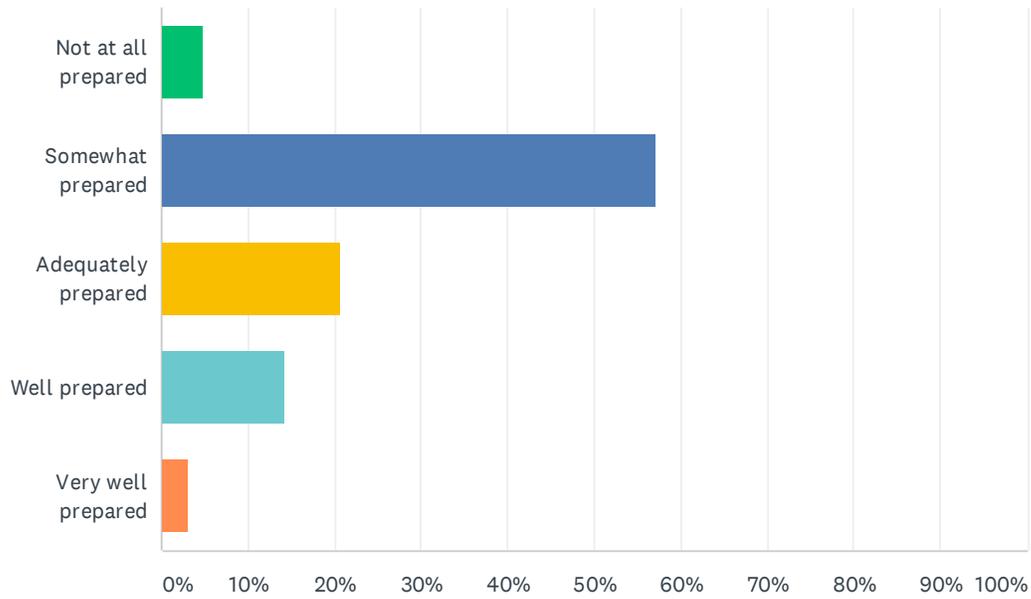
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Dam Failure	4.69%	3
Drought	3.13%	2
Earthquake	0.00%	0
Extreme cold	45.31%	29
Extreme heat	15.63%	10
Floods	71.88%	46
Groundwater	43.75%	28
Hail	23.44%	15
Ice storm	40.63%	26
High wind/microburst	45.31%	29
Lightning	23.44%	15
Severe shoreline erosion	3.13%	2
Sewer backup	37.50%	24
Snow storm	39.06%	25
Thunderstorm	32.81%	21
Tornado	40.63%	26
Wildfire	4.69%	3
Total Respondents: 64		

## Q8 How prepared are you for a natural hazards should it occur within our community?

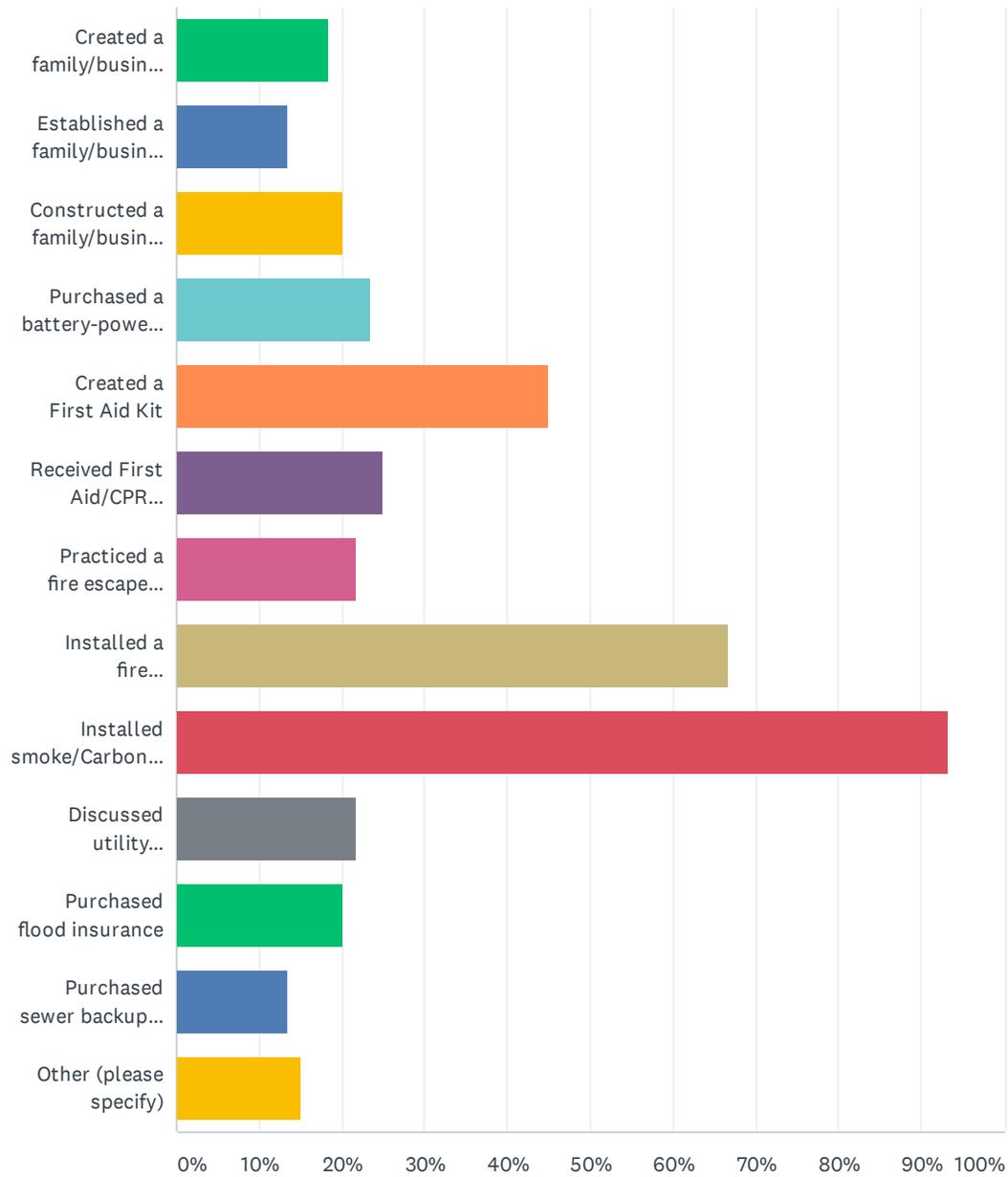
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Not at all prepared	4.76%	3
Somewhat prepared	57.14%	36
Adequately prepared	20.63%	13
Well prepared	14.29%	9
Very well prepared	3.17%	2
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>63</b>

### Q9 What steps have you taken to prepare your home or business for natural hazards (Check all that apply)?

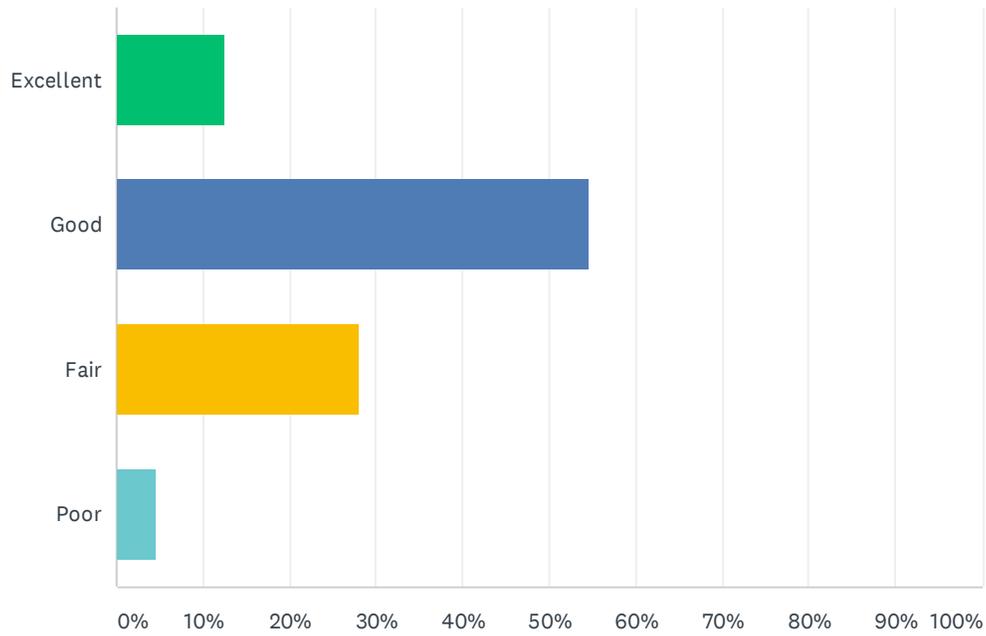
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Created a family/business disaster plan and discussed it with my family/co-workers	18.33%	11
Established a family/business communication plan	13.33%	8
Constructed a family/business disaster kit which includes water, food, flashlight and batteries	20.00%	12
Purchased a battery-powered emergency radio	23.33%	14
Created a First Aid Kit	45.00%	27
Received First Aid/CPR training	25.00%	15
Practiced a fire escape plan	21.67%	13
Installed a fire extinguisher in my house or business	66.67%	40
Installed smoke/Carbon Monoxide detectors	93.33%	56
Discussed utility shutoffs	21.67%	13
Purchased flood insurance	20.00%	12
Purchased sewer backup rider on insurance policy	13.33%	8
Other (please specify)	15.00%	9
Total Respondents: 60		

### Q10 How do you feel Lincolnshire is doing in creating awareness of the natural hazards faced by residents and businesses?

Answered: 64 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Excellent	12.50% 8
Good	54.69% 35
Fair	28.13% 18
Poor	4.69% 3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>64</b>

## **Appendix C.**

### **Planning Committee Materials**

Included in this Appendix are historical information of the original formation of the Village of Lincolnshire Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee.



# **Lincolnshire Flood Mitigation Planning Committee**

**Thursday, June 20, 2013, 7:00 p.m.**

**Village Hall Board Room**

## **Public Meeting Agenda**

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Why Are We Here? Flooding in Lincolnshire
3. What is Flood Mitigation and What is CRS?
4. What is the Purpose of the Planning Committee?
  - a. Flood Mitigation Plan
  - b. Program for Public Information
  - c. Flood Insurance Promotion
5. Planning Step 1 – Organize
  - a. Committee Role and Participation
  - b. Expected Meetings
6. Planning Step 2 – Involve the Community and Public Information Needs
  - a. Lincolnshire’s Current Efforts
  - b. Other Methods To Encourage Input
  - c. Community Survey
7. Planning Step 3 – Agency & Organization Coordination
8. Public Comment
9. Next Steps
10. Adjourn

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### Village News/Information

#### **Volunteers Needed to Develop Flood Hazard Mitigation Plan**

The Village is seeking volunteers to assist in developing a plan to prepare for and respond to fu... [Read on](#)

- Lincolnshire Implements New Water Meter Reading System
- ComEd System Improvements
- National Night Out
- Flood Recovery Resources
- Village Updates Economic Development Plan



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Village Emergency Notification



### Volunteers Needed to Develop Flood Hazard Mitigation Plan

The Village is seeking volunteers to assist in developing a plan to prepare for and respond to future floods. If you have experienced a flood, whether related to the Des Plaines River, Indian Creek, Lincolnshire Creek, Chicago River, or just backyard flooding, this is your chance to shape the way the Village addresses these issues.

The kickoff meeting for the flood mitigation and planning effort will be held on June 20, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall Board Room, One Olde Half Day Road, Lincolnshire. This public meeting is open to all Lincolnshire residents and business owners. A planning committee will be formed and future meetings will be planned. All meeting will be open to the public.

The Village of Lincolnshire will be developing a flood hazard mitigation plan that will incorporate the Lake County All Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan. The Lincolnshire flood mitigation plan will focus on flood issues specific to Village residents and business owners. This plan will identify activities that can be undertaken by the Village and property owners to reduce property damage that result from flooding and to increase the safety of the community for all natural hazards.

In conjunction with the flood mitigation plan, the Village will also develop a program for public information to better inform people of steps they can take to protect themselves before during and after a flood, and a flood insurance promotion strategy to protect homes and businesses.

These efforts will contribute to the Village's Community Rating System (CRS) rating. Owner's of property located in the Special Flood Hazard Area already receive 25% discounts on their flood insurance premiums through the National Flood Insurance Program. One of the goals of these meetings is to identify areas where the Village can improve its service to the residents and become eligible for even greater discounts.



## Lincolnshire Flood and Other Hazards Survey

The floods in mid-April and June impacted residents in many different ways. For Village officials, the events lead us to evaluate the Village's past performance and seek ways to improve service. One way the Village can help is by taking steps which reduce flood insurance costs. The Village participates in a voluntary program, the Community Rating System, administered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. This program rewards property owners with discounts on flood insurance premiums based upon efforts by the Village which exceed FEMA's minimum requirements. In an effort to increase the amount of the discount, the Village is developing an All-Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan. This plan will address natural hazards likely to impact the Village including floods, tornadoes, and winter storms. The plan will identify areas susceptible to these hazards and explore measures to minimize the impacts of future natural disasters. The Village has developed the attached survey to gather community input to help shape the plan.

This survey is only 28 questions long and should take only 5 to 10 minutes to complete. Your feedback is important to the Village in working to assist the Village with planning and responding to potential disasters. The deadline to complete this survey is July 31, 2013.

This survey can be completed online at the Village's website: [www.village.lincolnshire.il.us](http://www.village.lincolnshire.il.us) or you may answer the questions below.

1. Please tell us a little about you.

- Property owner
- Renter
- Business owner

2. How long have you lived or operated a business at your current location?

- < 1 year
- 1 year but less than 5 years
- 5 years but less than 10 years
- 10 years +

3. What river or stream in Lincolnshire is closest to your property?

- Des Plaines River
- Indian Creek
- Lincolnshire Creek
- West Branch of North Fork of Chicago River
- Other
- I Do not know

4. In the past 10 years, have you or someone in your household or business experienced flood problems at your current location? (Check all that apply.)

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flooding On or Above First Floor of House or Building (above the basement or crawlspace) | <input type="checkbox"/> Yard Flooding  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flooding in Basement   | <input type="checkbox"/> Street Flooding  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sewer Backup   | <input type="checkbox"/> No Problems (If no problems, proceed to Question # 10) |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Other  |

If other, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

5. If you have had flood problems, please indicate what you think may be the source or cause of the flood water (Check all that apply.)

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> The river or creek level rising and coming onto my property | <input type="checkbox"/> Debris in the street or stream that created a problem |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Heavy rain that can't drain away                            | <input type="checkbox"/> A levee or earthen berm failed                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The sewer backing up  | <input type="checkbox"/> A detention basin or lake overflowed                  |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other   |

If other, please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Did you need assistance to deal with the flood?

- Yes
- No

7. If you answered yes to Question # 6, please indicate the type of assistance you received (Check all that apply)

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hired a private contractor for restoration               | <input type="checkbox"/> Contacted the Village for advice/assistance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hired a private contractor to make drainage improvements | <input type="checkbox"/> Other                                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Contacted my insurance agent                             |  |

If other, please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

8. During a disaster, where do you go for information updates? (Check all that apply.)

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Television news                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Fire Department/Law Enforcement   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Radio                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Health Department (Not Village)  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Newspapers                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Lake County Government  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Village Websites                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Village E-newsletter  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lincolnshire Twitter/Facebook Page      | <input type="checkbox"/> Village Blackboard Connect Emergency Notification Service (for more info: <a href="http://www.village.lincolnshire.il.us/news-updates/connect-cty">http://www.village.lincolnshire.il.us/news-updates/connect-cty</a> ) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Local School Districts                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Direct Mail Correspondence from Village |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Village Fact Sheet/Brochure             |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Workshops/Meetings               |  |

If other, please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

9. Did you receive communications from the Village during recent flood events?

- Yes
- No

10. If you answered yes to Question # 9, how did you keep informed of the Village's flood response activities during the recent flood events?

- Emergency Telephone System – Blackboard Connect
- Checked Village Website for Updates
- Received Village Electronic Newsletters
- Called the Village Directly to Inquire About Situation

11. Prior to a disaster, what are the best ways for you to receive information from the Village about how to protect your family, home or business from damage due to floods or other natural hazards? (Check all that apply.)

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Village Websites                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Health Department (Not Village)                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lincolnshire Twitter/Facebook Page      | <input type="checkbox"/> Lake County Government                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Local School Districts                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Village E-newsletter                                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Direct Mail Correspondence from Village | <input type="checkbox"/> Village quarterly print newsletter                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Village Fact Sheet/Brochure             | <input type="checkbox"/> Village Blackboard Connect Emergency Notification Service |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Workshops/Meetings               | <input type="checkbox"/> Other   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fire Department/Law Enforcement         |  |

If other, please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

12. During the April 2013 flood, the Village received inquiries from families seeking information about loved ones evacuated from their homes. Do you know someone in Lincolnshire who evacuated?

- Yes, someone in my immediate family
- Yes, my neighbor
- Yes, someone I know
- No

13. Do you have flood insurance?

- Yes, I was required to purchase flood insurance
- Yes, I am not required to have insurance but have experienced flood damage previously
- Yes, I am not required to have insurance and **have not** experienced flood damage
- No, I am not required to have flood insurance
- No, I do not think flood insurance is a good investment for me
- No, I do not understand why I might need flood insurance
- I do not know

14. If you do not have flood insurance, would you like the Village to send you information about it?

- Yes. If yes, please provide your email or mailing address in Question 25.
- No

15. Do you think the Village should maintain a list of evacuees and their intended temporary location?

- Yes
- No

16. Based upon your recent experience with flood events in Lincolnshire, what do you think the Village could do to improve its response and service to residents during such a disaster?

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17. What hazards, besides floods, concern your family or business? (Check all that apply.)

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dam Failure          | <input type="checkbox"/> Lightning                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drought              | <input type="checkbox"/> Severe shoreline erosion |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Earthquake           | <input type="checkbox"/> Sewer backup             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Extreme cold         | <input type="checkbox"/> Snow storm               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Extreme heat         | <input type="checkbox"/> Thunderstorm             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Groundwater          | <input type="checkbox"/> Tornado                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hail                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Wildfire                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ice storm            | <input type="checkbox"/> Other                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> High wind/microburst |   |

If other, please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

18. How prepared are you for natural hazards likely to occur within our community?

- Not at all prepared
- Somewhat prepared
- Adequately prepared
- Well prepared
- Very well prepared

19. What steps have you taken to prepare your home or business for natural hazards? (Check all that apply.)

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Created a family/business disaster plan and discussed it with my family/co-workers              | <input type="checkbox"/> Received First Aid/CPR training                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Established a family/business communication plan  | <input type="checkbox"/> Practiced a fire escape plan                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Constructed a family/business disaster kit which includes water, food, flashlight and batteries | <input type="checkbox"/> Installed a fire extinguisher in my house or business |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Purchased a battery-powered emergency radio   | <input type="checkbox"/> Installed smoke/Carbon Monoxide detectors             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Created a First Aid Kit   | <input type="checkbox"/> Discussed utility shutoffs                            |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> Purchased flood insurance                             |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> Purchased sewer backup rider on insurance policy      |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other   |

If other, please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

20. How do you feel Lincolnshire is doing in creating awareness of the natural hazards faced by residents and businesses?

- Excellent
- Good
- Fair
- Poor

21. Please list any suggestions you have for Lincolnshire to improve its service to you when dealing with natural hazards:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

If your property abuts the Des Plaines River, please answer the following questions. Otherwise, proceed to Question # 24 on the next page.

22. Does the berm on your property require any maintenance work?

- Yes
- No

If yes, please describe the work required. \_\_\_\_\_

23. Are you willing to grant easement to the Village for future maintenance?

- Yes
- No

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

24. Lincolnshire is establishing a Hazards Mitigation Committee to review how the community responds to natural hazards, including flooding. Members will review the Village's communication plan, insurance plan, and suggest projects to deal with problem areas. This committee will meet approximately 3 times in the evenings for a few hours over the next few months. Please indicate your willingness to serve on such a committee.

- Yes
- No
- Maybe

25. If you are willing to serve on a committee, please provide your name, address, telephone number and email address below:

26. Please indicate if you would like to receive follow-up information regarding this survey from the Village.

- Yes
- No

27. Please provide any other information you think the Village should know about hazards, including flooding, that may impact your family or business.

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28. Please provide your name, street address and e-mail address below (Optional). The Village may utilize this information for the following purposes: to contact you in the event of future floods; to contact you if you volunteer to serve on the Hazards Mitigation Committee; to provide you information regarding flood insurance, or to ask you questions about your responses to this survey.

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Please return your completed survey by July 31, 2013 to:

Public Works Department  
Village of Lincolnshire  
One Olde Half Day Road  
Lincolnshire, IL 60069

**Thank you for taking this survey!**

## Lincolnshire Flood and Other Hazards Survey

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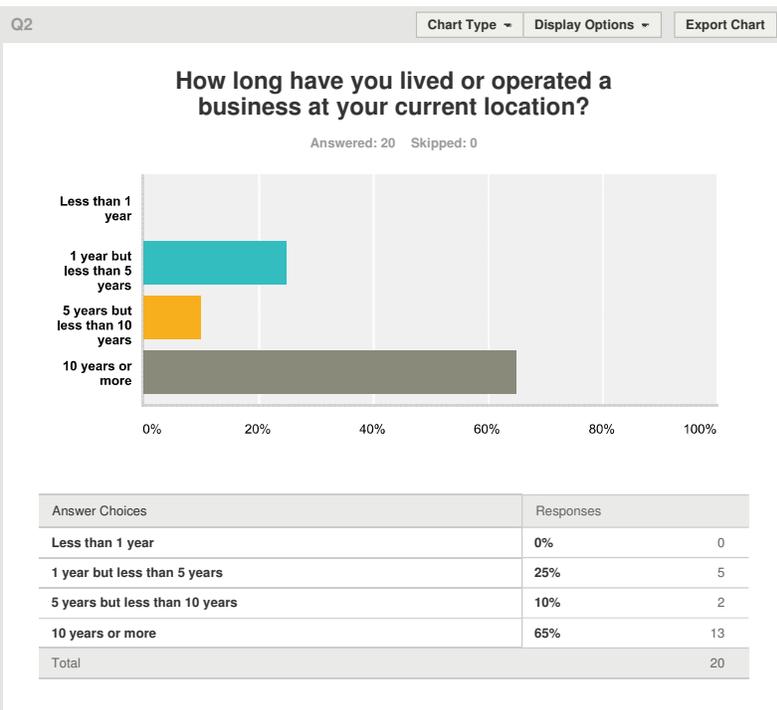
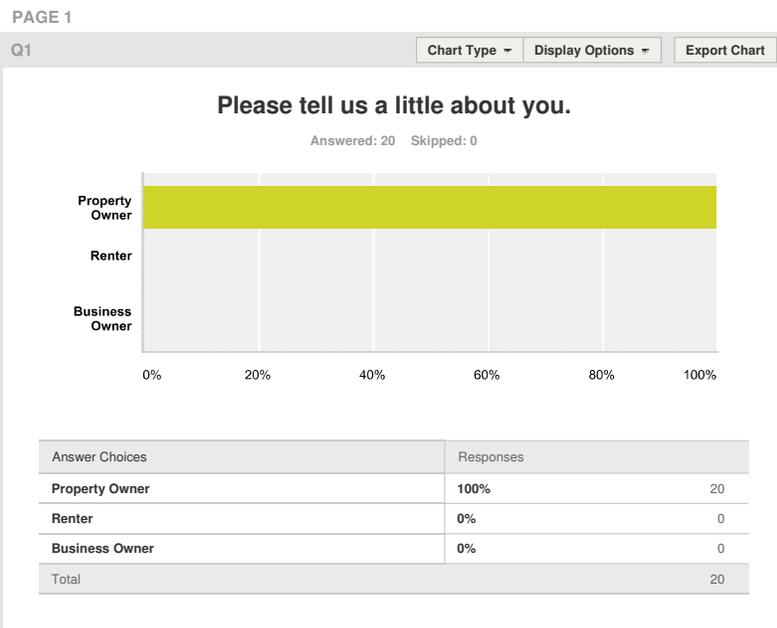


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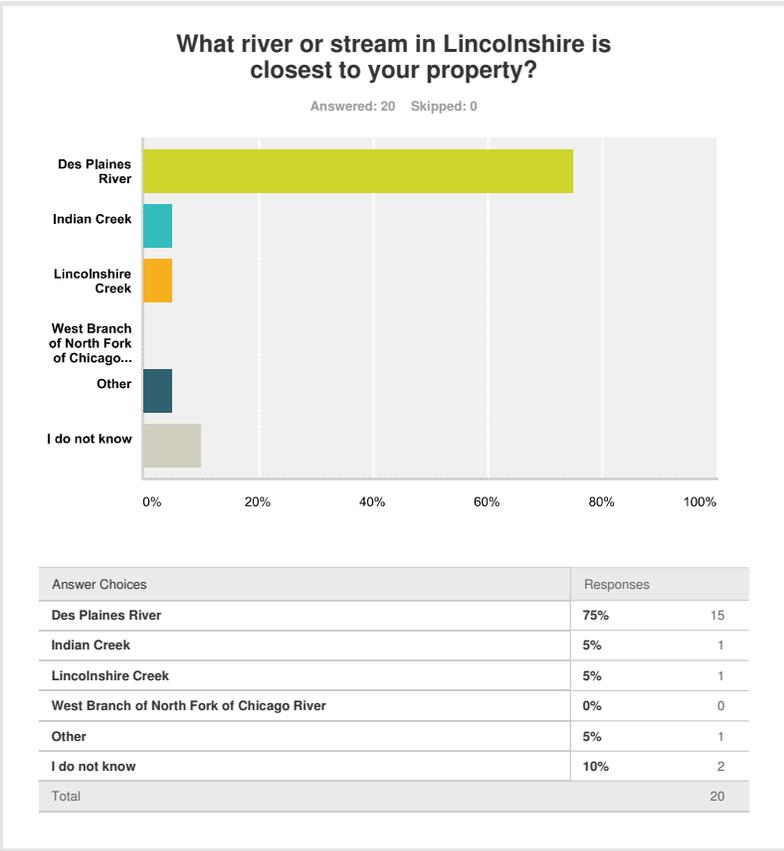
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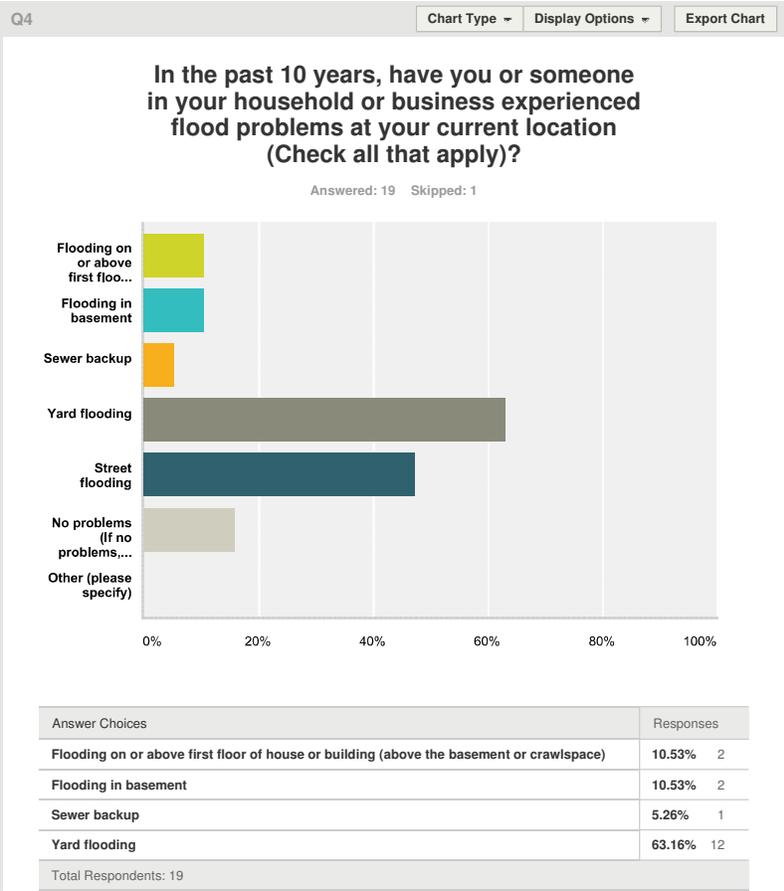
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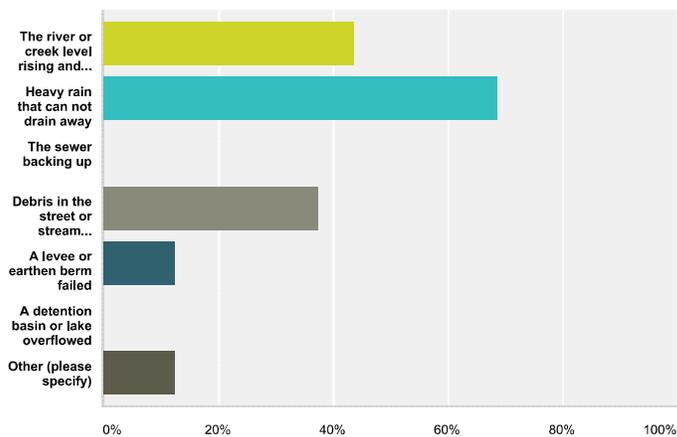


Answer Choices	Responses
Street flooding	47.37% 9
No problems (If no problems, proceed to Question #10)	15.79% 3
Other (please specify)	0% 0
Total Respondents: 19	

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**If you have had flood problems, please indicate what you think may be the source or cause of the flood water (Check all that apply)?**

Answered: 16 Skipped: 4

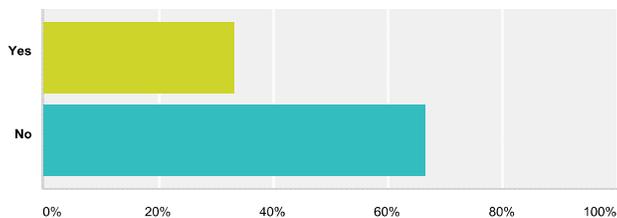


Answer Choices	Responses
The river or creek level rising and coming onto my property	43.75% 7
Heavy rain that can not drain away	68.75% 11
The sewer backing up	0% 0
Debris in the street or stream created the problem	37.50% 6
A levee or earthen berm failed	12.50% 2
A detention basin or lake overflowed	0% 0
Other (please specify) <a href="#">Responses</a>	12.50% 2
Total Respondents: 16	

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**Did you need assistance to deal with the flood?**

Answered: 15 Skipped: 5



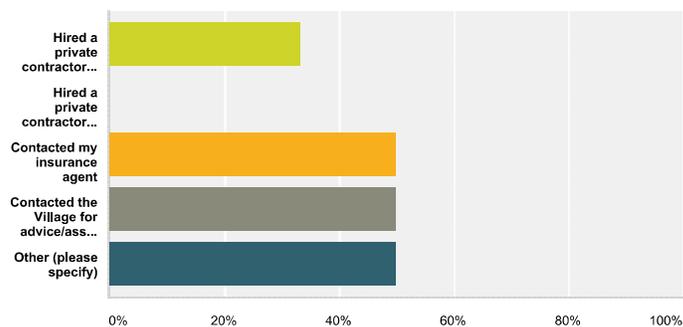
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Yes	33.33% 5
Total	15

Answer Choices	Responses
No	66.67% 10
Total	15

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**If you answered yes to Question #6, please indicate the type of assistance you received (Check all that apply)?**

Answered: 6 Skipped: 14



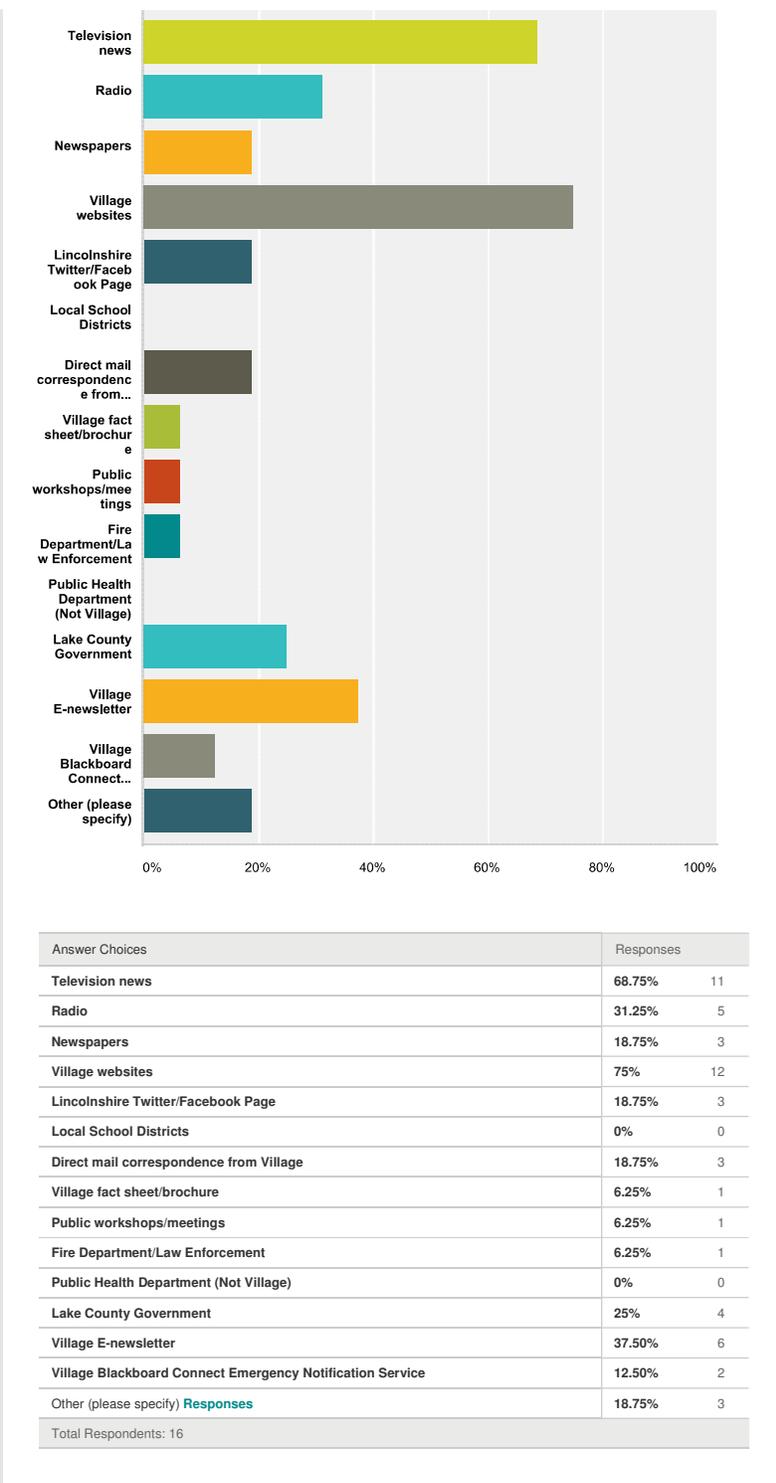
Answer Choices	Responses
Hired a private contractor for restoration	33.33% 2
Hired a private contractor to make drainage iprovements	0% 0
Contacted my insurance agent	50% 3
Contacted the Village for advice/assistance	50% 3
Other (please specify) <a href="#">Responses</a>	50% 3
Total Respondents: 6	

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**During a disaster, where do you go for information updates (Check all that apply)?**

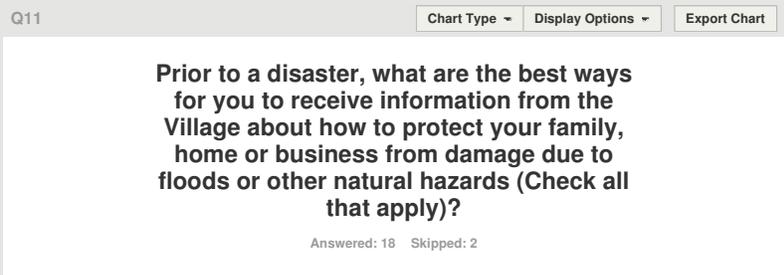
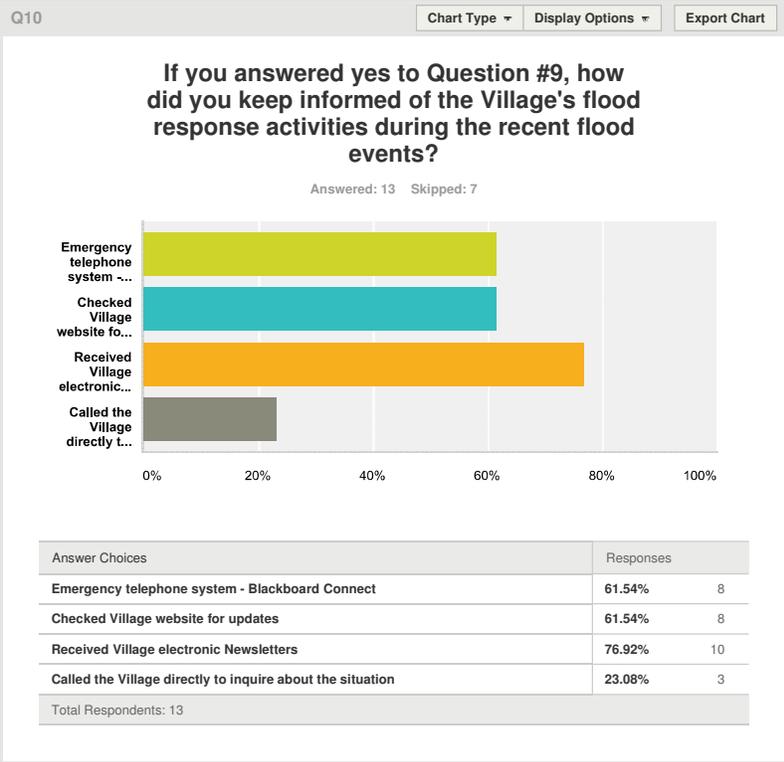
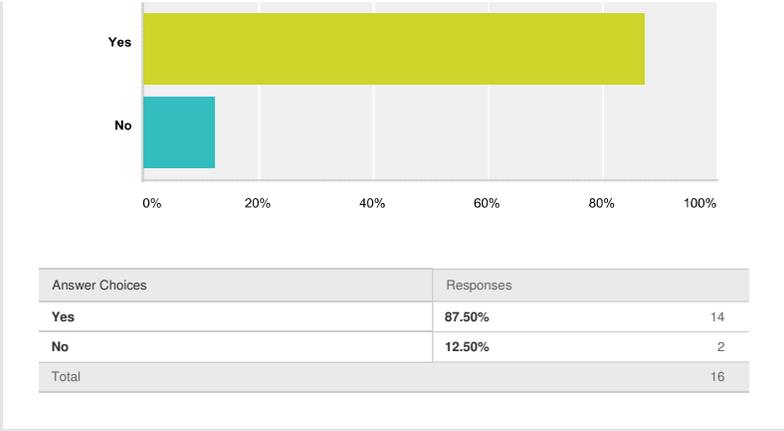
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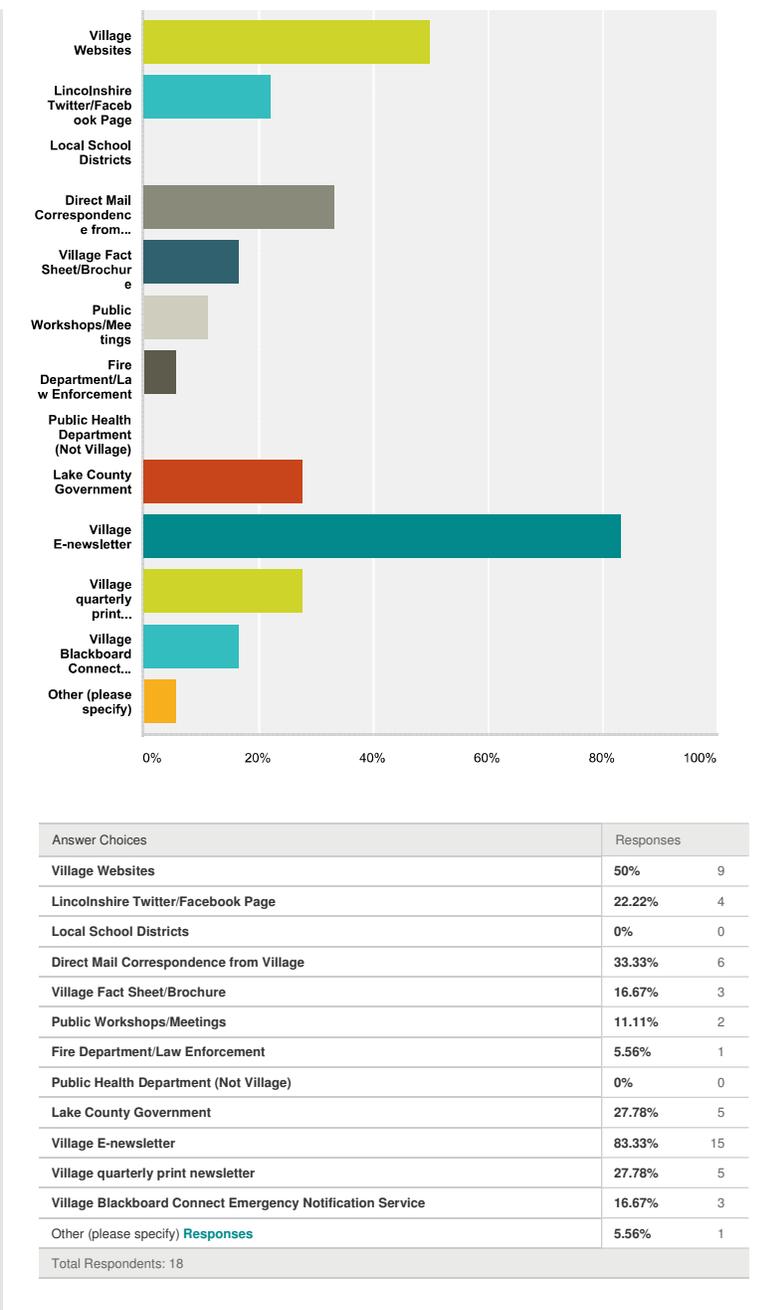


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**Did you receive communications from the Village during recent flood events?**

Answered: 16 Skipped: 4

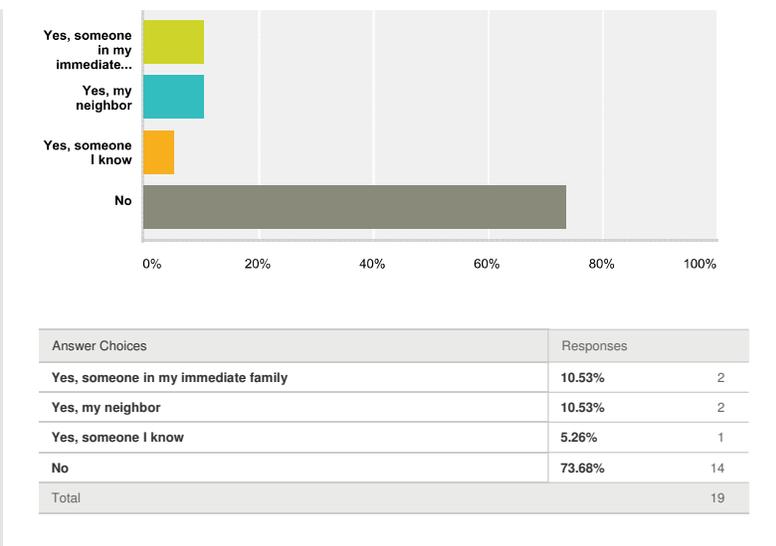




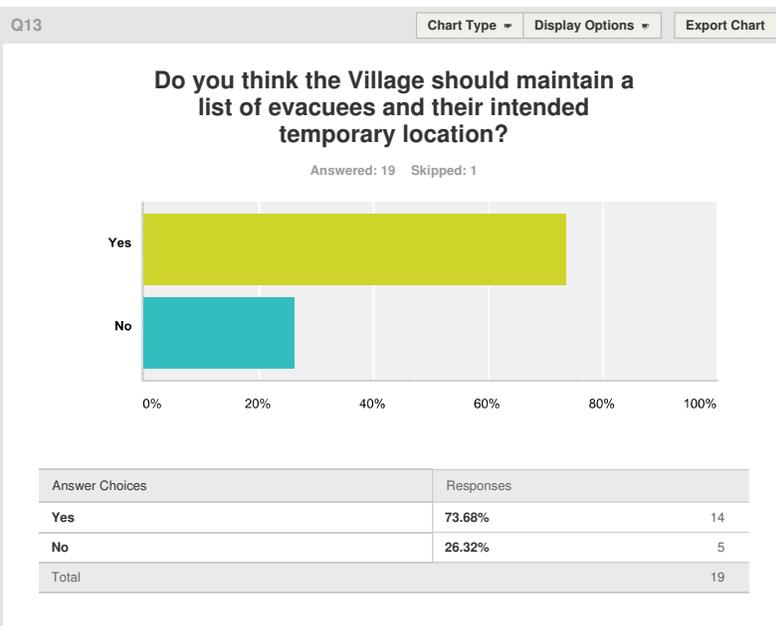
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**During the April 2013 flood, the Village received inquiries from families seeking information about loved ones evacuated from their homes. Do you know someone in Lincolnshire who evacuated?**

Answered: 19 Skipped: 1



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## Lincolnshire Letterhead

Mailing List – See “CRS Coordination Agencies\_10-1-2013.xlsx”:

County: Lake County SMC

Villages: Buffalo Grove, Riverwoods, Vernon Hills, Lake Forest and Bannockburn

Vernon Township (optional)

Agencies: IDNR/OWR, Lake County Forest Preserve,

[Date]

[Address Block]

Dear [ ]:

The purpose of this letter is to let you know that the Village of Lincolnshire has established the All-Hazards Mitigation Planning Committee (Planning Committee) for the purpose of developing a Village of Lincolnshire flood and natural hazard mitigation plan and other plans for the Community Rating System (CRS). The CRS provides the Village with flood insurance premium discounts and the work of the Planning Committee will help the Village improve their CRS rating.

The Planning Committee will meet on the following dates for the purpose of drafting the Village’s CRS plans:

Thursday, October 17, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 14, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 5, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

The meetings are open to the public. The meetings will be at the Village Hall at One Olde Half Day Road. At the meetings we will work to develop hazard mitigation actions and public information strategies, and to conduct a flood insurance assessment.

We would be happy to share draft copies of the plans that we are developing and would welcome your comments.

If you would like to attend a meeting, please let us know, and if you have any questions please feel free to contact Rob Horne of the Public Works Department at [Rhone@village.lincolnshire.il.us](mailto:Rhone@village.lincolnshire.il.us) or at 847-883-8600.

Sincerely,

[signature block]

Attachment

July 2014

“Public Meeting to Be Held on the Village of Lincolnshire Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan”

The Village of Lincolnshire Natural Hazards Mitigation Planning Committee has completed the development of the Village of Lincolnshire Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan. A public meeting will be held on Monday, August 25, 2014 at \_\_\_\_\_ at the Village Hall to review the Plan.

The public is invited to attend this meeting and to provide comments on the Plan. The Plan will identifies activities that can be undertaken by both the government and the residents and property owners to reduce the safety hazards, health hazards, and property damage caused by floods, severe summer and winter storms, tornadoes, and other natural hazards.

The Village of Lincolnshire Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan will be considered by the Village Board for adoption. The Plan will assist the Village in improving its CRS class rating for the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s Community Rating System (CRS) Program. The Village is currently a CRS Class 5 and residents and property owners purchasing flood insurance receive a 25% flood insurance premium discount.

Written comments on the Plan will be accepted through \_\_\_\_\_. A copy of the Plan can be downloaded at the Village’s website \_\_\_\_\_.

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For more information, contact \_\_\_\_\_.

# Village of Lincolnshire Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan

## Frequently Asked Questions (Mitigation Plan FAQs)

**July 2014**

### **1. What is the Village of Lincolnshire Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan?**

The Village of Lincolnshire Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan (Mitigation Plan) is a plan that addresses natural hazards that may impact the Village, such as floods, severe summer storms, winter storms and tornadoes, by identifying activities to be considered by the community, residents or property owners to protect life and safety hazards and reduce property damage caused by natural hazards. The Mitigation Plan is currently a draft plan that will be recommended to the Village Board for adoption.

### **2. Why was the Mitigation Plan developed?**

There are two purpose to the Village of Lincolnshire Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan. The first is to examine the Villages specific flood concerns and to recommend flood mitigation actions to be considered by the Village Board and recommended for residents and property owners. The second purpose is for the Village to receive additional credits provided by Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Community Rating System (CRS). The Village participates in the CRS and people purchasing flood insurance through FEMA receive a 25% discount. The Village is striving to increase the CRS discount to 30% through efforts such as the development of the Mitigation Plan.

### **3. Who developed the Mitigation Plan?**

The Village's Mitigation Plan was developed through a Village of Lincolnshire Natural Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee (Planning Committee), which was created through a resolution passed by the Village Board in August 2013. The Planning Committee includes Village Board members, Village Staff, residents and other community stakeholders. The Planning Committee met in 2013 and 2014 to create the Mitigation Plan with assistance from a planning consultant.

### **4. The Village's Mitigation Plan references the Lake County ANHMP. What is the Lake County ANHMP?**

The Lake County All Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan (Lake County ANHMP) was developed the Lake County Local Planning Committee (LPC) in 2012 to meet FEMA planning requirements for hazard mitigation grant eligibility. The LPC included Lake County and most all Lake County municipalities including the Village of Lincolnshire. The Village adopted the Lake County ANHMP in August 2012, and the hazard risk assessment and examination of hazard mitigation strategies are used within the Village's Mitigation Plan.

### **5. Is the Village required to have both mitigation plans?**

No, only the Lake County ANHMP is required. The Village's Mitigation Plan is an additional effort undertaken but the Village. To be eligible for FEMA mitigation grants, the Village adopted the Lake County ANHMP. The Lake County ANHMP was reviewed and approved by FEMA and adoption by the County and municipalities was required. The Village of Lincolnshire Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan is a not required

plan and was developed to benefit the Village in flood loss reduction and for Village's CRS class rating for flood insurance discounts.

**6. What are the next steps for the Village's Mitigation Plan?**

Village of Lincolnshire residents are encouraged to comment on the Mitigation Plan. Comments will be accepted through \_\_\_\_\_, 2014. Written comments may be mailed, faxed or e-mailed to \_\_\_\_\_. All comments will be considered by the Planning Committee and the Village Board, then the Village Board will adopt the Mitigation Plan as an official plan of the Village.

**7. How can I learn more about the flood insurance or the CRS?**

Information on the flood insurance and CRS can be found at [www.FloodSmart.gov](http://www.FloodSmart.gov).

**8. How do I get a copy of the draft Village of Lincolnshire Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan?**

Visit the home page of the Village's website. [Could promote the Facebook and twitter efforts of the Village.]

**Village of Lincolnshire Plan for Flood Mitigation  
Public Information**

**&**

**Flood Insurance Coverage Improvement**

**Adopted September 2014**

Developed by:

Village of Lincolnshire

Planning Consultant:

Molly O'Toole & Associates, Ltd.



**Village of Lincolnshire  
Plan for Flood Mitigation Public Information and  
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## Executive Summary

The Village of Lincolnshire's mission is to provide the highest level of protection, awareness, and response in flooding situations. The *Village of Lincolnshire Plan for Flood Mitigation Public Information and Flood Insurance Coverage Improvement* (Plan for Flood Information) lays out the communication strategies and procedure the Village will undertake in preparing for, handling, and mitigating flood hazards. This document contains information on key personnel in handling flood events as well as efforts the Village will undertake to inform and prepare those at risk in the community.

In 2014 the Village developed and adopted the *Village of Lincolnshire Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan* to outline mitigation strategies for various disasters while also and emphasis on floods. The development of this Plan for Flood Information is an extension of the Mitigation Plan development. The Village's Natural Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee (Planning Committee) was formed for the development of both the Mitigation Plan and this Plan for Flood Information.

While the Village has internal flood response plans and policies, as well as a general Disaster Preparedness Plan, this document will serve as a guideline for the communication strategy the Village will undertake before, during and after a flooding emergency. Along with the communication aspect in the event of a flood, this plan explains the various community outreach efforts the Village will undertake to encourage flood mitigation efforts, ensure residents and businesses are aware and prepared in cases of flooding emergencies, and to promote the purchase of flood insurance.

In order for the Plan for Flood Information to be of use, community engagement through outreach projects and other public information activities must be a focus. This Plan outlines the projects, activities, and other forms of communication the Village will undertake to ensure the community is adequately informed and engaged.

No plan is useful without follow up and evaluation. This Plan for Flood Information establishes standards for monitoring and evaluating the methods undertaken in the Plan for Flood Information. The Village plans to reexamine this plan every year as part of its annual budget process.

## **Chapter 1. Introduction**

### **Purpose of this Plan**

The Village of Lincolnshire Plan for Flood Mitigation Public Information and Flood Insurance Coverage Improvement (Plan for Flood Information) was developed in conjunction with the Village's Natural Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee. Both plans have been developed to serve the residents and property owners of the Village. The Village participates in the National Flood Insurance Program's (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS). Along with a hazard mitigation plan, CRS encourages the development of a community plan for public information and a flood insurance coverage improvement plan. This Plan for Flood Information provides the Village with a combined plan for public information and a flood insurance coverage improvement plan.

### **Plan Development Process**

The Village of Lincolnshire Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee (Planning Committee) was established through a resolution passed by the Village of Lincolnshire Board of Trustees on August 6, 2013. The purpose of the Planning Committee was to develop the Village of Lincolnshire Hazard Mitigation Plan and this Plan for Flood Information. The Committee met four times from October 2013 to May 2014. The efforts of the Committee were coordinated by the Village of Lincolnshire Department of Public Works and the Department of Community Development. Technical support was provided by Molly O'Toole & Associates, Ltd. (MO&A). MO&A is an engineering consulting firm specializing in hazard mitigation.

For the development of the Plan for Flood Information, the Planning Committee combined the planning steps offered in the CRS Coordinator's Manual (Manual) for Activity 330's plan for public information and Activity 370's flood insurance promotion elements. Those steps included:

- Step 1: Establish a committee
- Step 2: Assess public information needs
- Step 3: Assess flood insurance coverage
- Step 4: Identify outreach projects
- Step 5: Examine other public information initiatives
- Step 6: Prepare and adopt a plan for flood information
- Step 7: Implement, monitor and evaluate the plan

The above steps were taken by the Village Board and the Planning Committee from August 2013 to September 2014. The Planning Committee undertook exercises to develop focus areas, messages and the outreach project strategy included in this Plan for Flood Information.

### **Planning Committee**

The Planning Committee was comprised of public officials, residents, business owners, and civil servants from the Village of Lincolnshire. The mission of the Planning Committee was to assess the needs, available information, and coordinate the resources necessary to ensure the community is as informed and prepared as possible in emergency situations. Village staff was heavily involved in the Planning Committee as a resource to the stakeholders, including the Village's public information officer for the development of the Plan.

- Brett Blomberg, Mayor, Village of Lincolnshire
- Mara Grujanac, Trustee, Village of Lincolnshire
- Brad Burke, Village Manager, Village of Lincolnshire
- Robert Horne, Engineering Supervisor/Assistant to the Director of Public Works, Village of Lincolnshire
- Steve Robles, Village Planner, Village of Lincolnshire
- Youssef Shoukry, Public Information, Village of Lincolnshire
- Jamie Godshalk, Lincolnshire Resident
- Wendy Kritt, Lincolnshire Resident
- Marj Lundy, Lincolnshire Resident
- Andy Muzik, Lincolnshire Resident
- David Schaper, Lincolnshire Resident
- Deann Daniel, Sedgebrook Assisted Living Community
- Rev. Douglas Meyer, Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit
- Mark Cohen, State Farm Insurance
- Ramesh Gulatee, Lincolnshire Resident
- Larry Barnhart, Wood Creek Courts EPA
- Ann Maine, Lincolnshire Resident
- Jeff Merwin, Lincolnshire Resident
- Judy Mankus, Lincolnshire Resident
- Joseph Pratt, Lincolnshire Resident
- Stan Reznik, Lincolnshire Resident
- William Rubinstein, Lincolnshire Resident
- Rob Sturru, Lincolnshire Resident
- Rob Weinberg, Westgate HOA
- Mike Tiemens, Bank Financial
- Jennifer Lugo, , Lincolnshire Resident
- Roger Mankus, Lincolnshire Resident
- Stancia Kalmus, Lincolnshire Resident
- Craig Parcels, Lincolnshire Resident

## Chapter 2. Public Information Needs Assessment

The Village of Lincolnshire, a community of roughly 7,500 residents in Lake County, Illinois, was established along the banks of the Des Plaines River. The Village incorporated in 1957. Historical records indicate the Des Plaines River has flooded approximately every 10 years. There are other several significant flood hazards in the Village such as flood plains, rivers, and local creeks.

### Flood Hazards

The Village is susceptible to flooding from the Des Plaines River, Indian Creek, the West Fork of the North Branch of the Chicago River, Lincolnshire Creek, and local depressions and flood plains.

**Des Plaines River:** The Des Plaines River is the main riverine source of flooding in Lincolnshire. The Des Plaines River begins near Kenosha, WI, and ends at its confluence with the Kankakee River where it becomes the Illinois River. The Des Plaines River bisects the village separating the Village's residential area from its commercial area. The flood hazard along the Des Plaines River is primarily from overbank flooding due to a significant rain event in the Des Plaines River watershed to the north of Lincolnshire. However, flash flooding may occur along the Des Plaines River and in the Des Plaines River watershed when heavy local rainfall occurs (as in April 2013).

**Indian Creek:** Indian Creek runs from the Northwest corner of the Village and feeds into the Des Plaines River at the Marriott Golf Course. Along with the West Fork of the North Branch of the Chicago River and the Des Plaines River, Indian Creek is one of the main flood hazards in the Village. The flood hazard along Indian Creek is related to overbank flooding. The flow in Indian Creek is also prone to flash flooding and flooding will typically occur prior to the Des Plaines River flooding.

**Chicago River:** The headwaters of the Chicago River are located just north of Everett Road near North Park in the northeast corner of the Village. North of Half Day Road, the Chicago River flows through restored woodlands. A portion of the river was relocated in the 1950's to make way for the construction of the Illinois Tollway. South of Half Day Road, developer's constructed on-stream detention to form "lakes" for the Tri-State International office complex. These lakes have significant freeboard or areas for water level to rise without impacting structures, which reduces the potential for flooding. Upon leaving the Tri-State ponds, the river returns to a narrow, deep cut channel which has significant bank erosion.

**Lincolnshire Creek:** Lincolnshire Creek is a local stream that drains areas of the Villages of Lincolnshire and Riverwoods. The total drainage area is approximately 180 acres at the entrance to the culvert east of 10 Coventry Lane. The creek is primarily subject to flash flooding related to locally intense storms. Near the Des Plaines River, the creek is also subject to backwater flooding. The flood hazard near the Des Plaines River is primarily

attributable to backwater flooding from the Des Plaines River. However, the further away from the Des Plaines, the greater the impact of local flash flooding is on the creek.

### Flood Insurance Coverage Assessment

As June 30, 2014 there were 121 flood insurance policies in force within the Village of Lincolnshire. In May 2013 there were 109 policies, and it is assumed the increase in policies was a result of the April and June 2013 flooding along the Des Plaines River. The total premium paid by current policy holders is over \$130,000, and the insurance-in-force covers over \$34 million in structures and building contents.

Figure 1 provides details on the Village's current flood insurance coverage by the type of building. Most of the flood insurance policies (92%) within the Village cover single family homes. Seven non-residential buildings have flood insurance.

In May 2013, the data showed 16 claims paid. As Figure 1 shows, the number of claims rose to 27 over the past year. Again, the increase in flood insurance claims can be attributed to the 2013 flood event in the Village of Lincolnshire.

Insurance Occupancy						
As of 06/30/2014						
Community:		LINCOLNSHIRE, VILLAGE OF		State:		ILLINOIS
County:		LAKE COUNTY		CID:		170378
Overview	Occupancy	Zone	Pre/Post FIRM			
	Policies in Force	Premium	Insurance in Force	Number of Closed Paid Losses	\$ of Closed Paid Losses	Adjustment Expense
Single Family	111	\$113,378	\$30,367,000	27	\$1,167,989.72	\$37,295.74
2-4 Family	2	\$2,321	\$633,600	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
All Other Residential	1	\$2,705	\$350,000	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Non Residential	7	\$13,018	\$2,945,700	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>\$131,422</b>	<b>\$34,296,300</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>\$1,167,989.00</b>	<b>\$37,295.00</b>
	Policies in Force	Premium	Insurance in Force	Number of Closed Paid Losses	\$ of Closed Paid Losses	Adjustment Expense
Condo	8	\$3,526	\$2,079,500	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Non Condo	113	\$127,896	\$32,216,800	27	\$1,167,989.72	\$37,295.74
<b>Total</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>\$131,422</b>	<b>\$34,296,300</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>\$1,167,989.00</b>	<b>\$37,295.00</b>

Figure 1. Village of Lincolnshire Insurance Coverage by Type of Building

Insurance Zone						
As of 06/30/2014						
Community:		LINCOLNSHIRE, VILLAGE OF		State:		ILLINOIS
County:		LAKE COUNTY		CID:		170378
Overview	Occupancy	Zone	Pre/Post FIRM			
	Policies in Force	Premium	Insurance in Force	Number of Closed Paid Losses	\$ of Closed Paid Losses	Adjustment Expense
A01-30 & AE Zones	63	\$96,578	\$16,593,900	12	\$641,432.64	\$21,908.15
A Zones	4	\$5,560	\$972,800	8	\$379,806.67	\$10,417.59
AO Zones	0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
AH Zones	0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
AR Zones	0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
A99 Zones	0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
V01-30 & VE Zones	0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
V Zones	0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
D Zones	0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
B, C & X Zone						
Standard	3	\$4,160	\$814,600	3	\$130,207.29	\$3,020.00
Preferred	51	\$25,124	\$15,915,000	3	\$14,891.12	\$1,750.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>\$131,422</b>	<b>\$34,296,300</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>\$1,166,336.00</b>	<b>\$37,095.00</b>

**Figure 2. Village of Lincolnshire Flood Insurance Policies by FEMA Map Flood Zone**

Figure 2 shows 67 properties within the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) with flood insurance. These are the properties shown in any type of A Zone (e.g., A01 Zone or AE Zone). This represents 55% of the policies within the Village. Standard policies or preferred policies are written for properties outside of the SFHA. Many of these properties may be in close proximity to the SFHA or newly brought into the SFHA due to FEMA issuing new Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) on September 18, 2013. Other insured properties may be away from the SFHA but subject to stormwater flooding. Nearly 45% of the policies within the Village are standard or preferred policies, and six claims have been paid for properties outside of the SFHA.

Figure 3 shows Village of Lincolnshire flood insurance policies by pre-FIRM and post-FIRM. Pre-FIRM means buildings built prior to the Village of Lincolnshire joining the NFIP in July 1980. Post-FIRM means buildings constructed after 1980. Per the requirements of the NFIP, buildings constructed after 1980 have their lowest flood elevation (including basement) at, or above, the 100-year flood elevation. Over 70% of the policies in Lincolnshire are with pre-FIRM buildings. Interestingly, only one claim has been paid on a post-FIRM building.

The Village estimates there are 207 buildings located in the current SFHA (not including some buildings removed due to FEMA Letter of Map Change issued for individual buildings). Therefore, the count of 67 properties within the A Zone with flood insurance policies means about 30% of properties owners in the SFHA flood insurance have flood insurance coverage. A national average estimate says one-in-four SFHA property owners have purchased flood insurance. The Village of Lincolnshire is slightly ahead of the national average

### Insurance Pre/Post FIRM

As of 06/30/2014

Community:	LINCOLNSHIRE, VILLAGE OF	State:	ILLINOIS
County:	LAKE COUNTY	CD:	170378

Overview	Occupancy	Zone	Pre/Post FIRM			
<b>Pre-FIRM</b>						
	Policies in Force	Premium	Insurance in Force	Number of Closed Paid Losses	\$ of Closed Paid Losses	Adjustment Expense
A01-30 & AE Zones	55	\$92,825	\$14,164,400	12	\$641,432.64	\$21,908.15
A Zones	3	\$5,063	\$623,700	8	\$379,806.67	\$10,417.59
AO Zones	0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
AH Zones	0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
AR Zones	0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
A99 Zones	0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
V01-30 & VE Zones	0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
V Zones	0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
D Zones	0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
B, C & X Zone	28	\$17,213	\$8,864,600	5	\$145,016.85	\$4,170.00
Standard	3	\$4,160	\$814,600	3	\$130,207.29	\$3,020.00
Preferred	25	\$13,053	\$8,050,000	2	\$14,809.56	\$1,150.00
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>\$115,101</b>	<b>\$23,652,700</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>\$1,166,254.00</b>	<b>\$36,495.00</b>
<b>Post-FIRM</b>						
	Policies in Force	Premium	Insurance in Force	Number of Closed Paid Losses	\$ of Closed Paid Losses	Adjustment Expense
A01-30 & AE Zones	8	\$3,753	\$2,429,500	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
A Zones	1	\$497	\$349,100	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
AO Zones	0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
AH Zones	0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
AR Zones	0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
A99 Zones	0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
V01-30 & VE Zones	0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
V Zones	0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
D Zones	0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
B, C & X Zone	26	\$12,071	\$7,865,000	1	\$81.56	\$600.00
Standard	0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Preferred	26	\$12,071	\$7,865,000	1	\$81.56	\$600.00
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>\$16,321</b>	<b>\$10,643,600</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>\$81.00</b>	<b>\$600.00</b>

Figure 3. Village of Lincolnshire Flood Insurance Policies by Pre-FIRM and Post-FIRM

### Current Public Information Efforts

The Village currently uses several outlets to communicate with the public in flood events. The main departments involved in outreach and response are the Police Department, Public Works Department, and the Village Manager's Office.

**Pre-Flood Notification:** The Village conducts yearly outreach activities to alert residents to the existence of flood hazards. The importance of flood insurance is stressed. Direct mailings are sent to real estate agents and lenders advising them of the Village's flood program. The Lincolnshire E-News (E-mail Newsletter), social media (Facebook & Twitter), and the Village website are leveraged to provide information.

**Flood Event Notification:** As soon as it's evident a significant flood will occur, a concerted effort is made to alert the public about the potential for flooding and advice of actions and recommendations to take to protect themselves and property. It's assumed major television and radio stations will report flood watches and warnings.

The Village has established a series of pre-formatted messages for various media types including:

- Signs
- Cable-TV
- Village Website
- Door-to-door communications
- Dispatch & Front Desk Information
- Message Board
- Social Media
- Blackboard Connect
- E-Newsletter

Evaluation of current public information efforts was included in the 2013 post-flood survey of Village residents and property owners. The survey and the results are included in Appendix B of the Mitigation Plan. For the question of during a flood, where did people turn for flood information, the highest survey responses for where the Village's website, television, radio, the Village's eNewsletter, the Lake County websites, Village's Twitter and Facebook page.

For the question of prior to a flood, how do people prefer to receive information, the highest survey responses were the Village's eNewsletter, the Village's website, direct mail, the Village's quarterly printed newsletter, the Lake County websites, Village's Twitter and Facebook page.

One of the Village's goals for improvement is to provide more information for post-flood actions or advice.

### Focus Areas

While it is important for all residents and business owners to be informed and prepared for flood events, there are key areas of the community at a much higher risk of flood damage. These target or focus areas are primarily flood prone neighborhoods, local depressions, and areas directly adjacent to the noted flood hazards. In general, areas not directly adjacent to the flood zones are relatively safe from flooding. Figure 4 on the following page illustrates the focus areas in Lincolnshire. The focus areas were identified by the Planning Committee and are based on concentrated areas of insurance policy holders (from the May 2013 data), and based on areas of flood concern discussed in the development of the Village of Lincolnshire Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan.

The focus areas shown in Figure 4 include properties within and outside the SFHA, as do the estimated number of structures in Table 1. Table 1 describes the land use in each of the four focus areas. Most of the land use in the SFHA or 100-year floodplain within the Village of Lincolnshire is open space or residential use. The Village has one FEMA repetitive loss property located in Area 1.

<b>Table 1. Village of Lincolnshire Flood Information Focus Areas</b>			
<b>Focus Area</b>	<b>Focus Area Name</b>	<b>Land Use</b>	<b>Estimated number of structures</b>
Area 1	Lincolnshire-Londonderry:	Primarily residential	132
Area 2	Rivershire Condos:	Primarily residential	146
Area 3	Westminster-Sutton Place:	Mixed open space, residential and commercial	39
Area 4	Indian Creek:	Primarily residential	12

Note all flood insurance promotion efforts should be Village-wide. This opinion of the Planning Committee is supported by the flood insurance assessment. Flood insurance information shall and will be promoted to property owners both inside and outside the SFHA. The Village communications flood insurance information monthly through social media and in the quarterly Village Newsletter delivered to all residents.

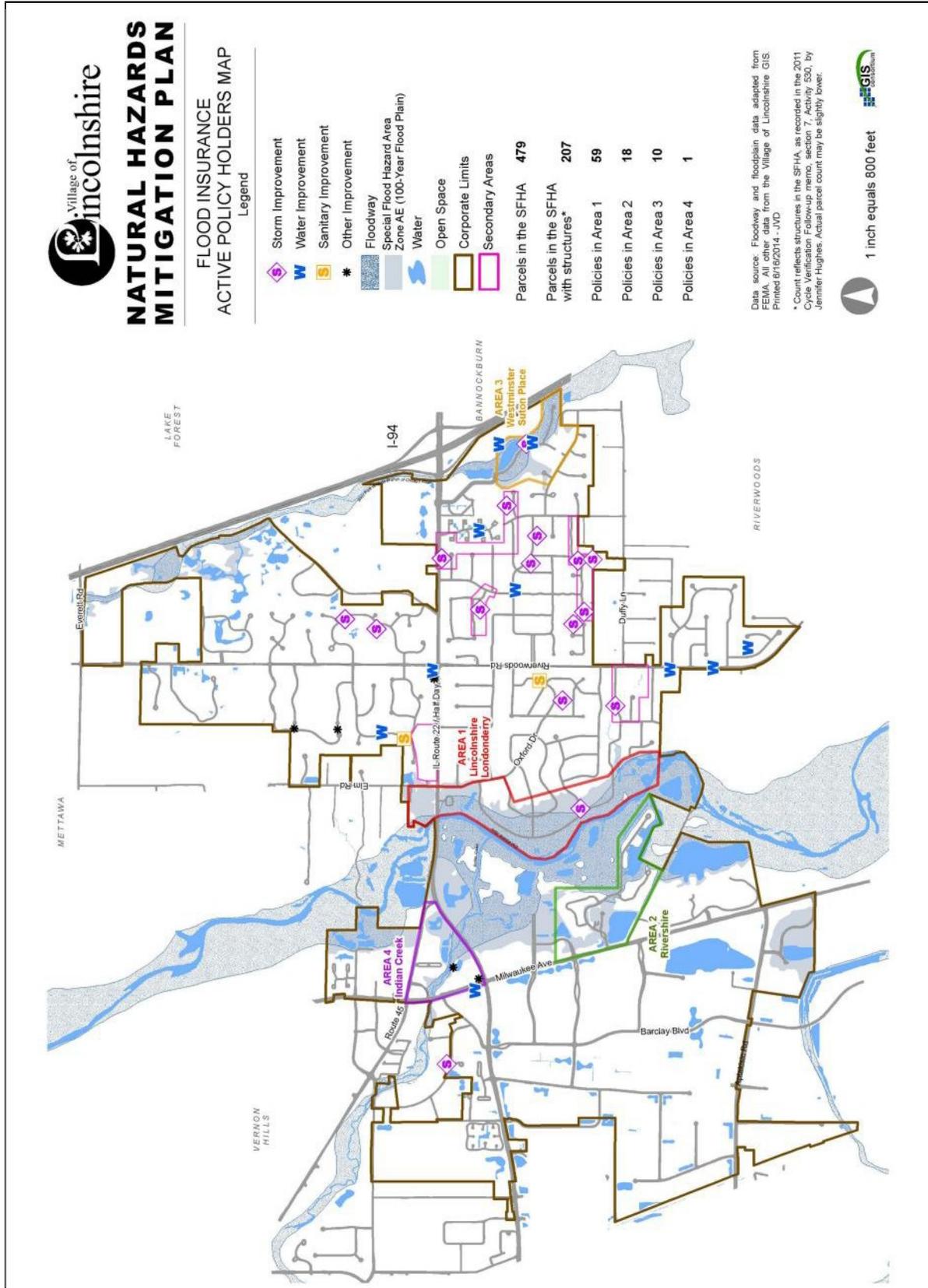


Figure 4. Map of Village of Lincolnshire Flood Information Focus Area

**Assessment of Flood Information Topics**

The Planning Committee assessed the specific information needs of the Village through a topic prioritization exercise. The top choices selected from over 30 topics were reviewed and compared to the Village’s current efforts.

The following topics were identified by the Planning Committee as the most important pieces of information for the community:

1. Safety hazards during floods
2. Safety hazards during a storm
3. Emergency protection measures
4. Flood proofing a house
5. How to evacuate during a flood
6. Preserving and protecting wetlands
7. Benefits of open space
8. Local drainage protection
9. Rules on building in the floodplain
10. Making sure your yard drains

The table below shows a comparison of the priority topic recommended by the CRS program to the Village’s current efforts and the important topics listed above.

<b>Table 2. CRS Topics, Current Topics and Important Flood Information Topics for the Village of Lincolnshire</b>		
<b>CRS Topics</b>	<b>Current Efforts</b>	<b>Committee Identified Important Topics</b>
1. Know your flood hazard	Understanding the new flood	8. Local drainage protection
2. Insure your property for your flood	Annual outreach to property owners	
3. Protect people from the hazard	Annual outreach to property owners	1. Safety hazards during floods 5. How to evacuate during a flood
4. Protect your property from the hazard	Annual outreach to property owners	3. Emergency protection measures 4. Flood proofing a house 10. Making sure your yard drains
5. Build responsibly	Annual outreach to property owners	9. Rules on building in the floodplain
6. Protect natural floodplain functions		6. Preserving and protecting wetlands 7. Benefits of open space
7. Severe weather preparedness		2. Safety hazards during a storm
8. General preparedness		5. How to evacuate during a flood
9. Basement flooding		4. Flood proofing a house
10. Flood education		

The topics in Table 2, current and new, will be the focus for the various public information initiatives the Village will undertake.

The Planning Committee and Village staff formulated messages to go with the various topics:

<b>Table 3. Plan for Flood Information Messages</b>	
Message	Outcome
"Know your flood danger. Call 847-883-8600 and know your risks"	Residents will know the specific dangers their property faces in flood situations. More use of maps and
"Be sure, get insured"	Increase number of flood insurance policies in Village.
"Turn around, don't drown"	Less emergency rescue efforts and better use of public safety resources.
"Make your property waterproof and ready for a flood."	Homes will be properly waterproofed, drains kept clean, reduce debris clean up in case of flood.
"Be aware before you build. Call 847-883-8600."	All construction will meet specifications for building in floodways. Proper construction permits will be secured and number
"Only rain goes down the drain."	Reduce dumping of contaminants into public drains. Improve water
"Don't be without a plan, be ready for a flood."	Residents will have evacuation plans. Increase communication with public safety regarding emergency

### Chapter 3 – Public Information Strategy

The Planning Committee used the risk assessment and mitigation strategies from the Village of Lincolnshire Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan, the flood insurance assessment in Chapter 2 of this Plan for Public Information and the CRS guidance for developing an outreach and flood insurance promotion plans to develop a public information strategy for the Village of Lincolnshire.

#### Target Audiences

1. **Village as a whole:** It is important all residents and businesses understand the risk factors, procedures, and expectations during a flooding event. Even if chances are low, everyone is at risk in significant flood events.
2. **Residents in focus areas:** Those in the high risk areas must be even more informed about flood dangers than the rest of the community. They must know how and where to quickly find information, points of contact, and what to do as the flood situation develops, including what actions should be taken at various levels of flooding.
3. **Outside Contractors, developers, etc.:** Those doing work in the Village must know the necessary processes and precautions for flood prone areas.

Target Audience	Message	Desired Outcome
Village As a Whole	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Safety hazards during floods and storms</li> <li>• Where to find information in emergencies</li> <li>• Citizen roles in emergency</li> <li>• Emergency protection measures</li> </ul>	Individuals in the Village will be aware of possible dangers and risks in flood events as well where information is available and what they can and should do in flood events.
Residents in Focus Areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Safety hazards during floods and storms</li> <li>• Direct points of contact and other sources of information during flood events</li> <li>• Guidelines for response at various water levels</li> <li>• Evacuation procedures</li> <li>• Information on flood proofing homes</li> </ul>	Individuals and families in high risk areas will be aware of dangers in flood zones as well as the procedures for response to flood events. They will know where to find the most current information quickly as well as points of contact.
Outside Contractors, Developers, Real Estate Agents,	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Permitting processes for working on floodplains</li> <li>• Regulations for building on floodplains</li> </ul>	Contractors and other outside agents will understand the regulations regarding working or building on floodplains.

**Outreach Projects**

The Village of Lincolnshire identified the following flood information initiatives to educate residents and business owners about flood hazards and ensure all are properly prepared. The Planning Committee felt that the Village's current approaches for delivering messages were appropriate.

<b>Table 5. Village of Lincolnshire Proposed Outreach Projects</b>				
<b>Project</b>	<b>Target Audience</b>	<b>Message</b>	<b>Assignment</b>	<b>Schedule</b>
1. Non- Targeted Informational Material (pamphlets, booklets, etc.)	All Village Properties and Residents	Know your flood danger	Lincolnshire Public Works/ Administration	Available at various public buildings.
		Be sure, get insured	Insurance Agency and Local Real Estate Agents	Available at various public buildings and distributed as part of welcome packet.
		Turn around, don't drown	Lincolnshire Police Department	Available at various public buildings.
		Make your property waterproof and ready for a flood	Lincolnshire Community and Economic Development	Available at various public buildings.
		Only rain goes down	Lincolnshire Public Works	Available at various public
2. Targeted Mailings (Detailed informational material more with specific information)	Residents and Business in focus areas	Know your flood danger	Lincolnshire Public Works/ Administration	Mailed to buildings in risk areas as identified by GIS
		Be sure, get insured	Insurance Agency	Mailed in risk areas as identified by GIS
		Make your property waterproof and ready for a flood	Homeowners Associations of effected residents	Mailed/distributed by homeowners association for specific information for residence
		Be aware before you build	Lincolnshire Community and Economic Development	Mailed to registered contractors in Village as well as available at front desk with permit applications

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Project	Target Audience	Message	Assignment	Schedule
3. Village Sponsored Workshops and Informational Sessions	All Village Properties and Residents	Know your flood danger	Lincolnshire Public Works/ Administration	Informational booth at Village events such as Hero's Night
		Be sure, get insured	Insurance Agency	Annual workshop at insurance agency detailing importance and value of obtaining insurance.
		Don't be without a plan, be ready for a flood	Lincolnshire Public Safety	Twice annual workshop at Village Hall to help families come up with emergency plan.
		Make your property waterproof and ready for a flood	Local Hardware Store	Annual workshop detailing waterproof options.
4. Media Projects (Press Release, Social Media, SMS, Etc.)	All Village Properties and Residents	Know your flood danger	Lincolnshire Public Works/ Administration	Twice yearly Targeted emails to at risk properties
		Turn around, don't drown	Lincolnshire Administration	Information included on E-News and Village Website during times of possible flooding
		All Outreach Projects	Lincolnshire Administration	Advertisement of all community outreach on Village website and social media outlets

**Flood Response Projects**

In addition to the above outreach projects, the Village will also engage in the following response outreach projects in the event of a flood:

<b>Table 6. Village of Lincolnshire Flood Response Proposed Outreach Projects</b>				
<b>Project</b>	<b>Target</b>	<b>Message</b>	<b>Assignment</b>	<b>Schedule</b>
1. News, Social Media, and website response	All Village Properties and Residents	Know your flood danger	Lincolnshire Public Works/Administration	Alert those at risk of signs of danger. Released as information becomes available.
		Status of flood	Lincolnshire Public Works/ Administration	Inform residents of level of flooding, Village response, and other resources of response. Released as information becomes available.
		Turn around, don't drown	Lincolnshire Public Safety	Information released through Cable TV, in person, and through news and media outlets. Information released at first
		Make your property waterproof and ready for a flood	Lincolnshire Community and Economic Development	Available at various public buildings.
		Only rain goes down the drain	Lincolnshire Public Works	Available at various public buildings
2. Post Flood Response	Effectuated Residents and Businesses	Rebuilding Rules	Lincolnshire Community and Economic Development	Email, in person, or by phone contact with effected property owners as soon as flood hazard has passed.
		Be sure, get insured	Insurance Agency	Information detailing extent of damage and what insurance could have done. Done as soon as flood hazard has passed

## **Chapter 4. Plan for Flood Information Implementation**

This Plan for Public Information will be implemented by the Village of Lincolnshire as staff and budget resources allow. Priority projects are listed below, however any outreach project listed in Chapter 3 (Table 5 and Table 6) should be implemented as needs arise, or as information dissemination avenues are developed (e.g., coordination with insurance agents or hardware stores). This includes efforts that can be undertaken with Lake County agencies, such as the Lake County Stormwater Management Commission or the Lake County Emergency Management Agency.

### **Priority Flood Information Outreach Projects**

Note that each of the flood information outreach projects (OP) listed below may involve one or more printed or electronically provided materials.

OP1: Informational materials at Village Hall and other Village-owned facilities that include FEMA, Lake County or Village publications. Materials will address all of the identified messages.

Know your flood danger  
Be sure, get insured Turn  
around, don't drown  
Make your property waterproof and ready for a flood  
Only rain goes down the drain

OP2: Social media (Twitter and Facebook) messages will be posted at least quarterly on all identified messages:

Know your flood danger  
Be sure, get insured Turn  
around, don't drown  
Make your property waterproof and ready for a flood  
Only rain goes down the drain

OP3: Various flood insurance and flood damage protection messages in the Village of Lincolnshire quarterly printed newsletter.

OP4: Various flood insurance and flood damage protection messages in the Village of Lincolnshire eNewsletter at least four times a year.

OP5: Mailings to property owners in the Village of Lincolnshire SFHAs on:

Understanding the new FEMA maps know  
your flood danger  
Be sure, get insured  
Make your property waterproof and ready for a flood be  
aware before you build

OP6: Village website information on flooding and flood damage protection will be maintained and enhanced when appropriate.

OP7: Workshops and community meetings, as staff resources allow, on flood mitigation options for property owners.

OP8: Promotion of the purchase of flood insurance for all properties within the Village on the Village of Lincolnshire website, social media and newsletter using FloodSmart resources and the FloodSmart website.

### **Priority Flood Response Outreach Projects**

Note that each of the flood response outreach projects (FR) listed below may involve one or more printed or electronically provided material.

FR1: Social media (Twitter and Facebook) messages will be posted on all identified messages prior to anticipated flood events, and during flood events.

FR2: Social media (Twitter and Facebook) messages for flood recovery on all identified messages.

FR3: Direct delivery of printed flood information materials prior to anticipate flood events.

FR4: Flood insurance information on websites, social media and newsletters following a flood event for the purchase of flood insurance.

FR5: Flood insurance information on websites, social media and newsletters following a flood event for assistance on understanding substantial damage and permit requirements.

### **Chapter 5. Plan Maintenance & Evaluation**

The Plan for Public Information will be implemented throughout the year. The implementation progress for outreach projects and flood insurance coverage improvement will be evaluated annually in conjunction with the annual report for the Village's Mitigation Plan.

The Village will also update and readopt this Plan for Public Information in five years. The update will include a new examination of flood insurance coverage within the Village and a reassessment of flood mitigation and flood insurance public information needs.

**Appendix D.**

**Village of Lincolnshire Plan for Flood Mitigation Public Information and Flood Insurance Coverage Improvement Plan**

Included in this Appendix is the Village of Lincolnshire Plan for Flood Mitigation Public Information and Flood Insurance Coverage Improvement Plan.