



**PALM BEACH COUNTY
LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY
STEERING COMMITTEE
MINUTES**



**February 21, 2018
9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
Palm Beach County EOC – Broadcast Studio
20 South Military Trail, West Palm Beach, FL 33415**

Attendees:

1. Angela Prymas – Boynton Beach
2. Bill Johnson – Palm Beach County
3. Brian Hanley - Palm Beach County
4. Carlos Cedeño - Greenacres
5. Jeffrey Needle – City of Delray Beach
6. Ken Roundtree – North Palm Beach County Improvement District
7. Laura Corry – South Florida Water Management District
8. Matthew Noble – Palm Beach County
9. Nicole Coates – Village of Wellington
10. Ralph Wall – West Palm Beach
11. Shane Ratliff – Palm Beach County
12. Steve Misshula – West Palm Beach
13. John Garofalo – Palm Beach State College
14. Elizabeth Perez – Collective Water Resources
15. Mike Morrow – City of Palm Beach Gardens
16. Rebecca Harvey – City of Boynton Beach
17. Rama Rani – South Florida Water Management District

I. Call to Order – Welcome and Introductions – Ralph Wall, Chairperson

- Meeting called to order at 9:04 a.m.
- Agency representation will be reflected in meeting notes
- Meeting minutes can be found at
<http://discover.pbcgov.org/publicsafety/dem/Sections/Planning-Local-Mitigation-Strategy.aspx>
- No comments from last meetings Minutes

II. Welcome new members to the Steering Committee – Ralph Wall, Chairperson

- John Garofalo (Palm Beach State College) – representing education
 - Safety and Risk Manager
- Elizabeth Perez (Collective Water Resources, LLC) – representing the private sector
 - President of Collective Water Resources, LLC



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III. Subcommittee Meetings since last Steering Meeting – Shane Ratliff, LMS Coordinator

- HVA Subcommittee met on November 28 and completed their revisions, which were submitted to the Revisions Subcommittee for inclusion into the LMS2020. They will meet again after State Review only if any issues arise regarding *Section 2: Hazards and Vulnerability Analysis*.
 - Five new studies were reviewed.
 - Some edits were made mainly regarding civil disturbance due to POTUS visits to Town of Palm Beach
- Revisions Subcommittee has met multiple times over the past three months and is present at today's meeting to answer questions about the LMS2020 revision, which is complete and ready for Steering Committee approval

IV. LMS2020 Executive Summary for Steering Committee Approval – Shane Ratliff, LMS Coordinator

- Motion to accept changes as drafted – Steve Misshula; Second by Ken Roundtree; All approved
- Executive Summary handout available as you signed in.
 - This information is to meet FEMA and CRS requirements. The LMS is now separated into different volumes in order to be more manageable. The Appendices are mostly documentation to support what is said in the main document to satisfy FEMA and/or CRS requirements. Appendix M is critical facilities (not public record) because once it is reviewed by the state and approved it will not be available on our website for public viewing.
- Cross referenced with the Florida Local Mitigation Strategy Crosswalk to make sure that all elements were addressed in the LMS or its appendices
- Talked to Mitigation staff in Tallahassee regarding their anticipated review process; gained insight on revising and any particular items they may be looking for in the document.

V. February 2018 PPL (November PPL with corrections) FYI – Ralph Wall, Chairperson

- Shane reached out to everyone with projects on the PPL to validate. During this process, some were duplicate entries (inadvertently had applied twice for the same project), and several had been completed and requested for removal.
- We now have a total of 72 projects on the PBC LMS PPL



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- You are being provided with a copy today; Shane will email to the Working Group and the State this week.

VI. Approval of Spring Submission Period dates for 2018 – Ralph Wall, Chairperson

- It is anticipated that there will be higher than normal submissions due to the Hurricane Irma HMGP NOFA that was released on February 5.
 - Shane will be check if multi-agency projects can be submitted
- Proposed submission period of April 9-20
- Evaluation period of April 23-May 5 with final in-person meeting(s) May 7-8
 - The final Evaluation Panel meeting will be on May 8
- Steering to approve new PPL at meeting on May 9 or 23. If everything goes well, shouldn't have to move Steering Meeting. If there are any delays in submitting or scoring, then may need to move the meeting to the 23rd as an alternate meeting date.

VII. Hurricane Irma HMGP Funds – Shane Ratliff, LMS Coordinator

- Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) was released the first week of February
 - Money can still go up. There is \$950+ million across the state available. Palm Beach County can get \$39 million if applied for
- Due date is not until August, so new projects evaluated in April/May will be eligible
 - If you have applied you may get more money for your projects if FEMA has more available and offers it (some have been 90/10 matches in the past). However, plan on having 25% of the funds. Update your projects during the submission period if there are cost updates.

VIII. Questions/Comments – Ralph Wall, Chairperson

- PBC Community Rating System Progress Report 2017
 - Presented to steering committee, as the governing body of CRS. Required for Activity 510.
- Questions regarding retrofitting a building to be bullet proof, metal detectors, etc. as a result of recent events in South Florida, and if a project can it be HMGP funded
- Regarding wildfire projects and projects over 100 acres there has to be an environmental impact study done. FEMA would fund the



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study but it will take 18 months but by then current funds will not be available

- Total representatives on the steering committee were kept at 15 and cleared up duplicates representatives from the same municipality/jurisdiction. No one is showing from same.

IX. Next Meeting: May 9 or 23 at 9am at the EOC

- Meeting adjourned at 10:23 a.m.



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