

**APPENDIX 3      Public Participation and Involvement of  
Other Interested Parties**

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# **MEDIA RELEASE**

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## **Public Presentation of the Noble County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan Update**

**Albion, IN** (September 27, 2019) – Noble County, in cooperation with Albion, Avilla, Cromwell, Kendallville, Ligonier, and Rome City have prepared an update to the 2015 Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan (MHMP) to address the risk and vulnerability of communities in the county which may be affected by known natural, technological, and political hazards.

The Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (DMA 2000) requires communities to update their MHMP every five years in order to be eligible for any future mitigation funding through the State Department of Homeland Security and the Federal Emergency Management Agency. The intent of the MHMP is to plan for a disaster before it occurs in order to reduce the physical, social and economic impact of that disaster.

The draft Noble County MHMP Update may be accessed at [www.whatsthebestwebsite.com](http://www.whatsthebestwebsite.com) Topics covered in the Update include: an overview of the planning requirements; a summary of the risk assessment and vulnerability analysis; and proposed mitigation projects for prevention, property protection, natural resource protection, emergency services, structural control projects, and public information.

Comments will be accepted through Friday, September 27, 2019. Please submit comments to Mick Newton at 260.636.2938 or [mnewton@nobleco.us](mailto:mnewton@nobleco.us)

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# Noble County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan 5-Year Update



**Please take some time to  
review and provide  
comments on the**

**The 2019 Noble  
County MHMP Update**

**This helps us create a better  
plan, prepare for hazards  
that may affect Noble County  
and the  
communities, and  
become more resilient  
should an event occur.**

**Your time and efforts are  
appreciated!**

The Noble County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan (MHMP) Update is a multi-jurisdictional planning effort led by the Noble County Emergency Management Office. The previous MHMP, adopted in 2015 was the necessary first step of a multi-step process to implement programs, policies, and projects to mitigate the effect of hazards in Noble County. A Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) approved MHMP is required to be eligible for disaster mitigation funds.

FEMA also requires communities to update and resubmit the MHMP every five years to continue to be eligible for mitigation project grant funding. The intent of this current planning effort is to replicate the process of identifying the hazards and the social, physical, and economic impact that they affect Noble County as well as to discuss mitigation measures implemented within the last five years.

**A copy of the draft MHMP Update may be accessed at**

**[www.whatsthebestwebsite.com](http://www.whatsthebestwebsite.com)**

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**Any comments or questions should be directed to Mick Newton at**

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