



LOCAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN – STAKEHOLDER AND PUBLIC OUTREACH PLAN

To meet FEMA requirements and to ensure public, neighboring community, local and regional agency input opportunities, the following communication methods are recommended.

Goals:

1. Inclusive Participation and collaboration – Ensure all relevant stakeholders and the public have opportunities to contribute including people with disabilities, access and functional needs. Foster collaboration among all stakeholders.
2. Informed Decision-Making – Provide necessary education and information regarding hazards and risks.
3. Community Buy-In – Foster community support and ownership by involving stakeholders and public from the start.
4. Transparency - Build trust through clear, transparent and consistent communication throughout the planning process
5. Effective Implementation = Gather input that is practical, sustainable and responsive to the needs of the community.
6. Compliance –Ensure federal, state and local requirements for public involvement in hazard mitigation planning are met.

Identifying Planning Team and Stakeholders

- Local Government Officials – Selectboard Chair, Selectboard members, public works director, first response agencies, health officer, finance, zoning administrator, planning, and regional planning commission, Health Department
- School representatives
- Local and regional entities that support people with disabilities, access, and functional needs (PDAFN) or vulnerable populations (vulnerability specific to hazard mitigation)
 - Hospital / medical care (Northwest Medical Center, Northern Tier Center for Community Health (NOTCH))
 - Visiting Nurses Association
 - Champlain Valley Office of Economic Opportunity
 - Mobile home properties
 - People living in flood zones
 - Turning Point of Franklin County
- Franklin County Natural Resource Conservation District
- Neighboring communities (Bakersfield, Belvidere, Eden, Enosburgh, Lowell, Richford, Westfield)
 - Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Dispatch Center (St. Albans City)
 - Fire Departments/Mutual Aid
 - EMS
 - Neighboring EMDs
 - Town Clerks
- Businesses that support hazard mitigation / emergency response
 - Business and Community Association (BCA)

- Vermont Electric Co-operative
- Northern Vermont Economic Development District
- Franklin County Industrial Development
- Franklin County Chamber of Commerce
- Non-Profit organizations – Including community-based organizations that work directly with or provide support to people with disabilities or functional accesses needs or front-line communities – housing, health care, etc.
 - Food Shelf, Healthy Roots Collaborative, Champlain Valley Office of Economic Opportunity, Northern Tier Center for Health, Meals on Wheels)

Communication Methods and Implementation:

- Post meeting information (agenda, slides, zoom link, etc.) on municipal website
- Post meeting information (agenda, slides, zoom link, etc.) on municipal social media sites
- Post Online surveys / questionnaires on Montgomery Mitigation Project website
- Send email notifications (e.g., meeting dates, agenda, slides, etc.) to the entities listed below
- Post hard copies of meeting information (agenda, slides, etc.) in municipal buildings (village office, library, public safety building, general store)
- Post hard copy of meeting information (agenda, slides, etc.) including non-municipal buildings (e.g., post office, NOTCH, etc.)

Processing Feedback

Feedback opportunities included public meetings, public comment period, requests. online feedback via email link, phone, regular updates and follow-ups. Comments and feedback received were incorporated during the plan update.

Planning Team and Stakeholders		
Name	Organization	Role
Charlie Hancock	Selectboard Chair	Planning Team Lead (Community Lead POC)
Shaun Coleman	Northwest Regional Planning Commission	Planning Team Member (Project Leader)
Greg Lucas	Emergency Management Director	Planning Team Member (Community EMD)
Mark Brouillette	Public Works Director, Selectboard	Planning Team Member (Community PW Lead)
Doug Kopacz	Fire Chief	Planning Team Member (Fire Response Agency Chief)
Elizabeth Reighley	Town Clerk	Planning Team Member (Local official)
Scott Perry	Historical Society	Stakeholder (Historical and Cultural Resources)
	Vermont Electric Co-op	Planning Team Stakeholder (Electric Utility)
John Goss	Bakersfield Selectboard Chair	Stakeholder (Neighboring Community Official)
	Belvidere Town Clerk	Stakeholder

		(Neighboring Community Official)
Pierre LeTourneau	Enosburgh Town Selectboard Chair	Stakeholder (Neighboring Community Official, EMD)
Christy Pion	Lowell Town Clerk cpion@lowelltown.org/	Stakeholder (Neighboring Community Official)
Marissa Tessier	Richford Town Admin	Stakeholder (Neighboring Community Official, EMC)
Jacqueline Kelley	EP, Vermont Department of Health, St. Albans District	Stakeholder (Community Health Including Disabilities and Individuals with Functional Access Needs)
Reginald Beliveau, Jr.	Interim Chair, Franklin County Regional Emergency Management Committee	Stakeholder (County EM services and first responders)
Jess Graff	Director, Champlain Valley Office of Economic Opportunity	Stakeholder (People with Disabilities and Functional Access Needs)
Pastor John Gorton	Montgomery Food Shelf	Stakeholder (Food, Shelter)
Ashley Bartley	Visiting Nurses Association <i>(formerly Franklin County Home Health Agency)</i>	Stakeholder (Senior Healthcare, Hospice and Community Support Services)
Lauren Weston	Franklin County Natural Resources Conservation District	Stakeholder
Karen Heinlein-Grenier	Director Turning Point of Franklin County	Stakeholder (Recovery Support and Services)
Keith Ellery	Northwest Medical Center Emergency Ops Manager	Stakeholder (Regional Hospital)
Tim Snider	Montgomery Health Officer	Stakeholder (Community Health and Wellness)
Mary Niles	Montgomery Elementary School/N. Mtn. Valley School District	Stakeholder (Education)
Carl Watkins	Franklin County Regional Chamber of Commerce	Stakeholder (Local Businesses)
Tim Smith	Franklin County Industrial Development & Northern VT Economic Development District Office	Stakeholder (Economic Development and Industry)

Outreach Contacts	
Apartment Complex	
Senior Living	
Businesses	Franklin County Regional Chamber of Commerce Manager Carl Watkins 2 N Main St.#101 St. Albans, VT 05478 (802)524-2444
Community Action	Champlain Valley Office of Economic Opportunity (CVOEO) Director Jess Graff 5 Lemnah Dr., Suite 5 St. Albans, VT 05478 (802) 527-7392
Conservation District	Franklin County Natural Resources Conservation District USDA – NRCS Field Office Lauren Weston, District Manager 50 South Main St. Ste B-20 St. Albans, VT 05478 (802)489-8596
Daycare	Montgomery Elementary School Early Childhood Program 249 School Drive Montgomery Center, VT 05471 (802)326-4618
Economic Development and Industry	Franklin County Industrial Development Corp. Northern VT Economic Development District Tim Smith, Director, Board member 2 N Main Street St. Albans City, VT 05478 (802)524-2194
Food Shelf	Montgomery United Methodist Church Pastor John Gorton PO Box 184 20 Fuller Bridge Road Montgomery, VT 05470 (802)326-4651
Government Office Library Public Safety Bldg.	Montgomery Public Safety Building, Library PO Box 356 86 Mountain Road, Route 242 Montgomery Center, VT 05471 (802)326-4719
Government Office	Montgomery Town Hall (Grange) 57 Main St Montgomery Center, VT 05471 (802)326-4719
Government Offices	Montgomery Town Offices PO Box 356

	86 Mountain Rd, Route 242 Montgomery Center, VT 05471 (802)326-4719
Government Office (neighboring)	Bakersfield Town Office 40 E Bakersfield Rd, Bakersfield, VT 05441 (802)827-4495
Government Office (neighboring)	Belvidere Town Office 3996 VT-109 Belvidere Center, VT 05442 (802)644-6621
Government Office (neighboring)	Eden Town Office 71 Old Schoolhouse Rd Eden, VT 05653 (802)635-2528
Government Office (neighboring)	Enosburgh Town Office 239 Main St. Enosburg Falls, VT 05450 (802)933-4421
Government Office (neighboring)	Lowell Town Office 2170 Vermont Rte 100 Lowell, VT 05847 (802)744-6559
Government Office (neighboring)	Richford Town Office 94 Main St. Richford, VT 05476 (802)848-7751
Historical	Montgomery Historical Society Pratt Hall 2044 N Main St. Montgomery, VT
Hospital	Northwest Medical Center Keith Ellery, Emergency Manager 133 Fairfield St. St. Albans, VT 05478 (802)524-5911
Mobile Home Park	None
Municipal Public Works	Montgomery Town Garage 1800 N Main St (802)326-4418
Municipal Utility Department	Montgomery Center Water Treatment Facility PO Box 442 251 Fuller Bridge Rd Montgomery, VT 05470 (802)309-8574
Religious Facility	Montgomery United Methodist Church

	PO Box 184 20 Fuller Bridge Rd, Route 118 Montgomery, VT 05470 (802)893-3047
Religious Facility	St. Isidore Catholic Church 169 Mountain Road Montgomery Center, VT 05471 (802)848-7741
Residential Home Care	None
School	Montgomery Elementary School 249 School Drive Montgomery Center, VT 05471 w (802)326-4618
US Postal Service	US Post Office - Montgomery 1 Black Falls Rd Montgomery, VT 05470 (802)326-4433
US Postal Service	US Post Office – Montgomery Center 98 Main St Montgomery Center, VT 05471 (802)326-4246