



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

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Town of Southwick Hazard Mitigation Plan Update Public Meeting

Southwick's Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee needs the public's help completing the Town's Hazard Mitigation Plan. This plan serves as a strategy for reducing current and future risks of natural hazards and climate change. The public is invited to share their ideas for reducing impacts associated with natural hazards and to learn about the updated plan.

A virtual public meeting will be held on:

- Wednesday, July 19, 2023
- 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

You can join the meeting on Zoom:

- <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81306764347?pwd=OGIGU0VFOFB4cHYxTlhUTzIqaDIGZz09>
- Meeting ID: 813 0676 4347
- Passcode: 433016

At the meeting, you will have an opportunity to contribute your ideas for making the Town more resilient to natural hazards such as flooding, snowstorms, high winds, and extreme temperatures. This plan is being developed by a Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee comprised of Town leaders and local stakeholders. Jamie Caplan Consulting LLC, a Northampton, MA based firm, is leading this effort on behalf of the Town and the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency. Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) approval, and Town adoption, of the Hazard Mitigation Plan allows the Town to apply for pre- and post-disaster hazard mitigation grant funds.

Southwick developed a Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) plan in 2018 that also identified possible actions to mitigate risks to natural hazards and climate change. The Hazard Mitigation Plan will include all of those identified actions still relevant today.

For questions regarding this project, please contact Randal Brown, Department of Public Works Director, Town of Southwick, (413) 569-6772, rbrown@southwickma.gov.