

# RESOLUTION 07-2015

## LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY

**WHEREAS,** The City of Carrabelle is vulnerable to the human and economic costs of natural, technological and societal disasters, and

**WHEREAS,** The Carrabelle City Commission recognizes the importance of reducing or eliminating those vulnerabilities for the overall good and welfare of the community, and

**WHEREAS,** The City of Carrabelle has been an active participant in the Franklin County Local Mitigation Strategy Task Force, Which has established a comprehensive, coordinated planning process to eliminate or decrease these vulnerabilities, and

**WHEREAS,** these proposed projects and programs have been incorporated into the initial edition of the Franklin County Local Mitigation Strategy that has been prepared and issued for consideration and implementation by the communities of Franklin County,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Carrabelle City Commission adopts the *Franklin County Local Mitigation Strategy* to reflect the current need and citizens desire to identify and implement hazard mitigation initiatives that will reduce the county's susceptibility to numerous hazards. And, at the appropriate time, the Commission will develop and submit funding proposals to appropriate agencies to implement the hazard mitigation initiatives identified in the *Franklin County Local Mitigation Strategy*.

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (CEMP) is an operation-orientated document authorized by Chapter 252, Florida Statutes. The CEMP establishes the framework to ensure that Franklin County and its Municipalities will be adequately prepared to deal with all hazards threatening the lives and property of Franklin County citizens. The CEMP outlines the roles, responsibilities and coordination mechanisms of local county and municipal governments, state and federal agencies and volunteer organizations in a disaster. The CEMP also coordinates response and recovery activities with voluntary organizations active in disasters and the business community. The plan unifies the efforts of these groups under the Emergency Support Function (ESF) format with a designated lead agency for a comprehensive approach to mitigation, planning, response and recovery from identified hazards.

The Plan addresses the four phases of emergency management (preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation), parallels state activities outlined in the State of Florida CEMP, federal activities set forth in the "National Response Plan (NRP)," and describes how local, state, and federal resources will be coordinated to supplement local response and recovery capability. The CEMP is in compliance with the criteria issued for CEMP revisions by the State of Florida Division of Emergency Management (FDEM) in 2015 and addresses National Incident Management System (NIMS) Compliance.

The CEMP is organized into five (5) essential elements as follows:

1. **The Basic Plan** – outlines the general purpose, scope and methodology and planning assumptions of the plan. Specific hazards that present vulnerability for the jurisdictions within the county are analyzed and reported. Coordination, control and organizational structure; concept of operations and responsibilities are defined for the agencies and resources mobilized by the county to assist in recovering from a disaster.
2. **Recovery** - outlines specific tasks or functions that may be carried out before, during and after a disaster and details control, coordination, planning efforts, and policies within Franklin County designed to facilitate both immediate and long-term recovery after a disaster has occurred. The annex provides for rapid and orderly start of rehabilitation and restoration of persons and property affected by a disaster anywhere in Franklin County. Specific tasks are described in the Standard Operating Guidelines (SOGs).
3. **Mitigation** - provides the emergency management responsibilities with regard to the local mitigation activities. It reviews the policies in place within the county with regard to Florida Rule 27P-22 and discusses the Local Mitigation Strategy (LMS) and the formal LMS Working Group/Committee members. With an approved LMS Plan, the section describes the County Emergency Management (EM) responsibilities and how the EM Department is working with the County Floodplain Manager in evaluating Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHAs) from the Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) and the types of structures located within the SFHAs.
4. **Emergency Support Functions (ESF's)** - detail by name and organization the lead, support and coordinating entities and their roles and responsibilities in the four phases of an emergency. Each ESF outlines specific tasks or functions that may be carried out before, during and after a disaster

and/or emergency event. These tasks utilize the Emergency Support Function (ESF) concept of the federal and state plans and can also be applied to specific functions within the Incident Management System. These specific tasks may be described in Standard Operating Guidelines (SOG's) or other operational plans utilized within Franklin County by Emergency Management or other response and recovery agencies. Each ESF will respond when activated by the Emergency Management Director.

5. **Appendices** - located at the end of the plan and will provide additional information associated with the CEMP, such as SOGs, organizational charts, diagrams, maps, forms, etc.

The Franklin County Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan is considered a "living document" in that it is subject to continuous review and revision based on an ever-changing environment. CEMP participants are encouraged to question the effectiveness of their sections as they strive to provide the most efficient, effective response and recovery procedures possible with the available resources at their command.