

Washington State Enhanced Hazard Mitigation Plan

The *Washington State Enhanced Hazard Mitigation Plan* provides policy guidance for hazard mitigation in the State of Washington. The Plan identifies hazard mitigation goals, objectives, actions and initiatives for Washington state government that will reduce injury and damage from natural hazards.

This plan meets requirements for an Enhanced State Plan under Interim Final Rule 44 CFR parts 201.4 and 201.5, published in the Federal Register by FEMA on February 28, 2002. The Washington State Enhanced Hazard Mitigation Plan was approved by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Region 10 office on October 1, 2013.

Meeting the requirements of the regulations cited above keeps the State of Washington as well as all eligible local jurisdictions and non-profit organizations that provide like-government services qualified to obtain disaster assistance including hazard mitigation grants available through the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, P.L. 93-288, as amended. The enhanced portion of the plan allows the state to seek significantly higher funding for the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program following Presidentially-declared disasters (20 percent of federal disaster expenditures versus 15 percent with a standard plan).

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