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Hazard Mitigation Plan Public Meeting on September 13, 2017

WCTCOG will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, September 13th to gather public input for a Hazard Mitigation Plan Update. The meeting is from 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the Knox County Courthouse in the Community Room; 100 West Cedar Street, Benjamin TX 79505. The public is invited and encouraged to attend the meeting.

The purpose of the public meeting is to provide a project overview from H₂O Partners, Inc., consultant to the project, and solicit information from citizens. Public input will help the project team to identify and analyze potential hazards affecting residents and recommend possible actions to reduce their impact. Hazards can include floods, tornadoes, wildfires, winter storms, and other major disasters.

A public participation survey is available at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WCTCOG_HMAP

The goal of the Hazard Mitigation Plan is to minimize or eliminate the long-term risk to human life and property from known hazards by identifying and implementing cost-effective mitigation actions. Mitigation is defined by the Federal Emergency Management Agency as sustained actions taken to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and property from hazards and their effects.

Questions about the Hazard Mitigation Plan should be addressed to H₂O Partners, Inc., planning consultants for WCTCOG; Attn: Heather Ferrara, Project Manager by email at heather@h2opartnersusa.com.