

Converse County Mitigation Goals, Objectives and Actions
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Goal One: Reduce the threat of contamination from Hazardous Materials incidents.				
Objective 1.1 Protect residents of Converse County from hazardous material spills that occur at either fixed facilities or by transportation of the materials.				
Action	Time Frame	Funding	Staff	Priority
Action 1.1.1. Raise awareness and educate the public on sheltering in place, disaster/emergency supplies and plans, and evacuation.	On-going	State Mitigation Fund	CEEMA, Red Cross, Homeland Security	
Action 1.1.2. Implement and enforce city ordinances to restrict where trucks are hauling.	One year	N/A	Elected officials , Law enforcement	
1.1.3. Train and equip local emergency responders to enhance their ability to respond to HazMat incidents.	On-going	Homeland Security grants, CDBG, DRI, HMPG, Hazardous Materials State Program Support, State Disaster Preparedness Grants	Dept of Justice, Dept. of Defense, FEMA, WOHS	

Note: Barb to check into how to learn about what hazmat is being transported across the county in trucks.

Goal Two: Reduce tornado damage in the county.				
Objective 2.1. Minimize injuries, casualties, and property damage due to tornadoes.				
Action	Time Frame	Funding	Staffing	Priority
2.1.1. Enforce building codes (to include use of hurricane clips)	On-going	No additional funding needed	Code enforcement officers	
2.1.2 Put on severe weather spotter training for the public	On-going	No additional funding needed	CEEMA, NWS	
2.1.3 Educate the public on tornado awareness and what to do in case of a tornado	On-going	State Mitigation Fund	CEEMA, Red Cross, NWS	

Goal Three: Reduce flood damage in the county.				
Objective 3.1. Minimize future damage due to flooding of the North Platte River and Deer Creek.				
Action	Time Frame	Funding	Staffing	Priority
3.1.1. Work with existing floodplain residents to elevate or flood proof their structures. Obtain funding assistance and technical guidance.	Five years	HMGP, FEMA funds	County Planning Dept Town and city planning Depts	
3.1.2. Acquire property in the floodplain and transition those areas into green spaces.	On-going	CDBG, DRI, EMPA grant, Flood Mitigation Assistance Program, HMGP, Public Assistance, State Disaster Preparedness Grants	Planning Departments, Elected officials	
3.1.3 Continue to participate in the National Flood Insurance Program.	On-going	N/A	CEEMA	
3.1.4 Review emergency plan for high hazard dam on LaPrelle Creek	One year	N/A	CEEMA	
3.1.5 Obtain funding to implement engineers' recommendation for drainage plans in West Plains Subdivision	Five years	HMGP, FEMA	CEEMA, Douglas, Converse County	High

Goal Four: Reduce wildfire damage in the county.				
Objective 4.1. Minimize future damage due to wildfire of rangeland and forest.				
Action	Time Frame	Funding	Staffing	Priority
4.1.1. Expand areas of defensible space program begun by State Forestry Division to include more areas of the forested southern part of the County.	Five years	State Disaster Preparedness grant, EMPA Grant, DRI, NWS, E911 funds	State Forestry Division, BLM	
4.1.2. Educate the public in all rural areas of the County about the use of defensible space as a means of protecting their property from wildfires. Also educate the public on fire resistant construction materials.	On-going	State Mitigation Fund, BLM, County Extension Office	CCEMA, County Extension, BLM	
4.1.4 Improve access to rural water sources for fire trucks. Fit stock ponds, rural water tanks, etc. with valves compatible to fire apparatus.	On-going	Unknown	Private land owners	
4.1.5 Implement communications interoperability for emergency responders via the use of cooperative infrastructure to meet all agencies' wireless communications needs..	Three-five years	Unknown	PSMC Steering Committee	
4.1.6 Drill strategically-placed deep source water wells around rural parts of the county for firefighting and livestock during drought. Consider old cased-off wells.	Unknown	State of Wyoming	Private land owners, Converse Co Rural Fire Department	

Note: Barb to research projects from Community Wildfire Protection Plan that should be incorporated into this plan.

Goal Five: Reduce economic impacts of droughts.				
Objective 5.1. Minimize damage to crops and rangeland due to drought situations.				
Action	Time Frame	Funding	Staffing	Priority
5.1.1. Continue to implement water rationing measures in Douglas (regulatory) and Glenrock (voluntary) as necessary during drought situations.	One year	No additional funds necessary	Elected officials	
5.1.2. Educate residents on benefits of conserving water not just during drought. Include education on drought-tolerant plantings (crops & residential.)	On-going	State Mitigation Fund	CEEMA, University of WY, County Extension Office, Converse Conservation District	
5.1.3 Develop or increase water storage capabilities for livestock industry.	On-going	State of Wyoming	Private land owners with info from County Extension Office, Conservation District, Ag. Organizations	

Goal Six: Reduce the threat to safety of citizens imposed by winter storms.				
Objective 6.1. Minimize injuries, casualties, and property damage imposed by winter storms.				
Action	Time Frame	Funding	Staffing	Priority
6.1.1. Educate the public on winter storm preparedness including emergency supplies.	On-going	State Mitigation Fund	CC EMA, Red Cross, National Weather Service	
6.1.2. Acquire a back-up generator for the Glenrock Senior Citizens' Center—the designated shelter.	One year	CDBG, EMPA Grant, DRI, HMGP, Public Assistance	Senior Center Staff, Elected officials, CEEMA	
6.1.3 Enhance tree trimming program near utility lines and other vulnerable areas.	On-going	County and municipalities	Town/city maintenance, County Road and Bridge	
6.1.4 Obtain back-up power source for Glenrock Recreation center—the designated shelter.				
6.1.5 Continue to work with WYDOT on location and timing of Interstate closures	On-going	N/A	CEEMA, WYDOT	