



9.6 TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN

This section presents the jurisdictional annex for the Township of Franklin and includes resources and information to assist public and private sectors with reducing losses from future hazard events. This annex is not intended as guidance for actions to take during a disaster. Rather, this annex provides actions that can be implemented prior to a disaster to reduce or eliminate damage to property and people. The annex includes a general overview of the municipality and who in the Township participated in the planning process, an assessment of the Township of Franklin’s risk and vulnerability, the different capabilities used in the Township, and an action plan that will be implemented to achieve a more resilient community.

9.6.1 Hazard Mitigation Planning Team

The Township of Franklin followed the planning process described in Section 2 (Planning Process) in Volume I of this plan update and developed the annex over the course of several months with input from many Township departments as summarized in the table below. The primary and alternate points of contact represented the community on the Planning Partnership and supported the local planning process requirements by securing input from persons with specific knowledge to enhance the plan. All departments were asked to contribute to the annex development through reviewing and contributing to the capability assessment, reporting on the status of previously identified actions, and participating in action identification and prioritization.

The coronavirus pandemic resulted in a strain on local resources that limited some participation, but every effort was made to connect with staff and stakeholders and gain diverse input. Due to safety precautions, all meetings were held virtually.

The following table summarizes municipal officials that participated in the development of the annex and in what capacity, including the Township of Franklin’s hazard mitigation plan primary and alternate points of contact. Additional documentation on the municipality’s planning process through Planning Partnership meetings is included in Section 2 (Planning Process) and Appendix C (Meeting Documentation).

Table 9.6-1. Hazard Mitigation Planning Team

Primary Point of Contact	Alternate Point of Contact
Name/Title: Matthew Decesari, OEM Coordinator Address: 1571 Delsea Dr. Franklinville, NJ 08322 Phone Number: 856-694-1415 Email: mdecasari@franklintownship.com	Name/Title: Alexander Fragoso Address: 1571 Delsea Dr. Franklinville, NJ 08322 Phone Number: 856-694-1415 Email: afragoso@franklintownship.com
NFIP Floodplain Administrator	
Name/Title: Rosemary Flaherty-Zoning/Construction Official Address: 1571 Delsea Dr. Franklinville, NJ 08322 Phone Number: 856-694-1234 Email: zoning@franklintownship.com	



Name	Title	Method of Participation

9.6.2 Municipal Profile

The Township of Franklin was incorporated on January 27, 1820 when 72,000 acres of portions of Woolwich and Greenwich Townships were combined. Glassboro, Clayton, Newfield, and Elk were originally part of this tract, but became independent municipalities by 1924. Farms, orchards, glasshouses, gristmills and saw mills were an important part of the economy. In 1861, the Woodbury-to-Glassboro rail line carried passengers and freight from Camden to Millville, and a short time later, to Cape May. Franklinville, Iona, Malaga, and Newfield had stations along the way. Today the Township of Franklin remains a semi-rural area with a mix of housing, businesses, farming, and open spaces.

According to the United States Census Bureau, the township had a total area of 56.39 square miles, including 55.83 square miles of land and 0.56 square miles of water. The Township is located approximately midway between Philadelphia and Atlantic City and is 56.8 square miles in size. The municipality is by definition a rural community. Significant amounts of open space, farmland, and underdeveloped, environmental sensitive land comprise the majority of the township. The township lies within the Jew Jersey Pinelands Preserve, severely limiting any development potential. Additionally, extensive significant wetlands, watersheds, and floodplains exist within the municipality which are aimed to be protected. Unincorporated communities, localities and place names located partially or completely within the township include Blue Bell, Downstown, Forest Grove, Franklinville, Fries Mills, Iona, Janvier, Lake, Malaga, Marsh Lake, Piney Hollow, Plainville, Star Cross and Porchtown.

The municipality is governed under the township form of municipal government. The Township Committee is comprised of five members, who are elected directly by the voters at-large in partisan elections. At an annual reorganization meeting, the Township Committee selects one of its members to serve as Mayor and another as Deputy Mayor.

According to the U.S. Census, the 2010 population for the Township of Franklin was 16,820. The estimated 2019 population was 16,440, a 2.3 percent decrease from the 2010 Census. Data from the 2019 U.S. Census American Community Survey indicate that 5.3 percent of the population is 5 years of age or younger and 13.5 percent is 65 years of age or older. Communities must deploy a support system that enables all populations to safely reach shelters or to quickly evacuate a hazard area.



9.6.3 Jurisdictional Capability Assessment and Integration

The Township of Franklin performed an inventory and analysis of existing capabilities, plans, programs, and policies that enhance its ability to implement mitigation strategies. Section 5 (Capability Assessment) describes the components included in the capability assessment and their significance for hazard mitigation planning. This section summarizes the following findings of the assessment:

- An assessment of planning, legal and regulatory capabilities.
- Development and permitting capabilities.
- An assessment of administrative and technical capabilities
- An assessment of fiscal capabilities.
- An assessment of education and outreach capabilities.
- Classification under various community mitigation programs.
- The community’s adaptive capacity to withstand hazard events.

For a community to succeed in reducing long-term risk, hazard mitigation must be integrated into the day-to-day local government operations. Annex development included reviewing planning and policy documents and surveying each jurisdiction to obtain a better understanding of their progress in plan integration and how risk reduction is supported. Areas with current mitigation integration are summarized in this jurisdictional Capability Assessment (Section 9.6.3). The updated mitigation strategy includes opportunities the Township of Franklin identified for integration of mitigation concepts to be incorporated into municipal procedures.

9.6.3.1 Planning, Legal, and Regulatory Capability

Section 5 (Capability Assessment) provides an overview of the planning, legal, and regulatory capabilities. The table below summarizes the regulatory tools that are available to the Township of Franklin, what is present in the jurisdiction, and code citation and date.

Table 9.6-2. Planning, Legal, and Regulatory Capability

	Jurisdiction has this? (Yes/No)	Required by State? (Yes/No)	Code Citation and Date (code chapter, name of plan, date of plan)	Authority (local, county, state, federal)	Individual / Department / Agency Responsible
Codes, Ordinances, & Regulations					
Building Code	Yes	Yes	-	State and Local	-
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					
<i>By ensuring structures are safe and within regulation in case of emergency</i>					
Zoning/Land Use Code	Yes	Yes, if the jurisdiction has a planning board	Chapter 253 – Land Development, Municipal Code, adopted 12/11/1979	Local	Planning Board
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					
<i>By ensuring the proper structure in zones that may be susceptible to storms or flooding</i>					



	Jurisdiction has this? (Yes/No)	Required by State? (Yes/No)	Code Citation and Date (code chapter, name of plan, date of plan)	Authority (local, county, state, federal)	Individual / Department / Agency Responsible
Subdivision Ordinance	Yes	Yes, if the jurisdiction has a planning board	Article IV Subdivision and Site Plan Review and Approval, Chapter 253 – Land Development, Municipal Code, adopted 12/11/1979	Local	Planning Board
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i> To avoid overcrowding in areas that may be susceptible or vulnerable in emergencies					
Stormwater Management Ordinance	Yes	Yes	Chapter 335 – Stormwater Control Within and Outside Pineland Zones, Municipal Code, adopted 3/12/2019	Local	Planning Board
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i> Ensures that property owners are not putting other property owners at risk of flooding					
Post-Disaster Recovery/ Reconstruction Ordinance	No	No	-	-	-
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					
Real Estate Disclosure	No	Yes	-	State	-
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					
Growth Management	No	Yes, if the jurisdiction has a planning board	-	-	-
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					
Site Plan Ordinance	Yes	Yes, if the jurisdiction has a planning board	Article IV Subdivision and Site Plan Review and Approval, Chapter 253 – Land Development, Municipal Code, adopted 12/11/1979	Local	Planning Board
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i> To ensure properties are up to code					
Environmental Protection Ordinance	No	No	-	-	-
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i> Protects against harmful substances that can affect our environment					
Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance	Yes	Yes	Chapter 226 – Flood Damage Prevention, Municipal Code, adopted 11/10/2009	Federal, State, County and Local	Construction Code Official
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i> Helps property owners plan and mitigate towards best practices					
Wellhead Protection	No	No	-	-	-
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					
Emergency Management Ordinance	Yes	No	Chapter 38 – Emergency Management, Municipal Code, adopted 12/11/2007	Local	Emergency Management Coordinator
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i> Puts an entity in place that can track and mitigate incidents to avoid unneeded risk by the township					
Climate Change Ordinance	No	No	-	-	-
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					



	Jurisdiction has this? (Yes/No)	Required by State? (Yes/No)	Code Citation and Date (code chapter, name of plan, date of plan)	Authority (local, county, state, federal)	Individual / Department / Agency Responsible
Disaster Recovery Ordinance	No	No	-	-	-
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					
Disaster Reconstruction Ordinance	No	No	-	-	-
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					
Other		-			
Codes, Ordinances, & Regulations Connection to Mitigation and Safe Growth					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prior to, zoning changes, or development permitting, does the jurisdiction review the hazard mitigation plan and other hazard analyses to ensure consistent and compatible land use? Yes • Does the zoning ordinance discourage development or redevelopment within natural areas including wetlands, floodways, and floodplains? Yes • Does it contain natural overlay zones that set conditions? Yes • Does the ordinance require developers to take additional actions to mitigate natural hazard risk? Yes • Do rezoning procedures recognize natural hazard areas as limits on zoning changes that allow greater intensity or density of use? Yes • Do the ordinances prohibit development within, of filling of, wetlands, floodways, and floodplains? Yes • Do the subdivision regulations restrict the subdivision of land within or adjacent to natural hazard areas? Yes • Do the subdivision regulations restrict the subdivision of land within or adjacent to natural hazard areas? Yes • Do the regulations provide for conservation subdivisions or cluster subdivisions in order to conserve environmental resources? Yes • Do the regulations allow density transfers where hazard areas exist? Unknown • When updating ordinances, is hazard mitigation considered? Yes 					
Planning Documents					
Master Plan	Yes	Yes – County Yes/No - municipality	Master Plan, adopted 2004; Reexamination 2011	Local	Planning Board
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					
Allows for documented procedures to follow for land use to reduce risk					
Capital Improvement Plan	No	No	-	-	-
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					
Disaster Debris Management Plan	No	No	-	-	-
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					
Floodplain Management or Watershed Plan	No	No	-	-	-
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					
Stormwater Management Plan	Yes	Yes	Watershed Based Municipal Stormwater Management Plan, February 2006	County and Local	Gloucester County Improvement Authority, Franklin Township
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					
Ensures that property owners are not putting other property owners at risk of flooding					
Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan	Yes	Yes	Watershed Based Municipal Stormwater Management Plan, February 2006	County and Local	Gloucester County Improvement Authority, Franklin Township
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					



	Jurisdiction has this? (Yes/No)	Required by State? (Yes/No)	Code Citation and Date (code chapter, name of plan, date of plan)	Authority (local, county, state, federal)	Individual / Department / Agency Responsible
Urban Water Management Plan	No	No	-	-	-
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					
Habitat Conservation Plan	No	No	-	-	-
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					
Economic Development Plan	No	No	-	-	-
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					
Shoreline Management Plan	No	No	-	-	-
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					
Community Wildfire Protection Plan	No	No	-	-	-
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					
Community Forest Management Plan	No	No	-	-	-
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					
Transportation Plan	No	No	-	-	-
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					
Agriculture Plan	Yes	No	Gloucester County Farmland Preservation Plan, Updated 2015	County and Local	Gloucester County Agriculture Development Board; Franklin Township Planning Board
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					
Helps preserve protected areas					
Climate Action/ Resiliency Plan	No	No	-	-	-
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					
Tourism Plan	No	No	-	-	-
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					
Business/ Downtown Development Plan	No	No	-	-	-
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					
Other	No	No	-	-	-
Response/Recovery Planning					
Emergency Operations Plan	Yes	Yes	-	Local	OEM
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					
Documented plans that will be followed during emergency					
Strategic Recovery Planning Report	No	No	-	-	-
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					
Threat & Hazard Identification & Risk Assessment (THIRA)	No	No	-	-	-
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					



	Jurisdiction has this? (Yes/No)	Required by State? (Yes/No)	Code Citation and Date (code chapter, name of plan, date of plan)	Authority (local, county, state, federal)	Individual / Department / Agency Responsible
Post-Disaster Recovery Plan <i>How does this reduce risk?</i>	No	No	-	-	-
Continuity of Operations Plan <i>How does this reduce risk?</i>	No	No	-	-	-
Public Health Plan <i>How does this reduce risk?</i>	No	No	-	-	-
Other	No	No	-	-	-

9.6.3.2 Development and Permitting Capability

The table below summarizes the capabilities of the Township of Franklin to oversee and track development.

Table 9.6-3. Development and Permitting Capability

Indicate if your jurisdiction implements the following	Yes/No	Comment
Do you issue development permits? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If yes, what department is responsible? If no, what is your process for development? 	Yes	Zoning/Construction
Are permits tracked by hazard area? (For example, floodplain development permits.)	Yes	Floodplain development permits
Do you have a buildable land inventory? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If yes, describe. If no, quantitatively describe the level of buildout in the jurisdiction. 	No	Township has plenty of open space

9.6.3.3 Administrative and Technical Capability

The table below summarizes potential staff and personnel resources available to the Township of Franklin and their current responsibilities which contribute to hazard mitigation.

Table 9.6-4. Administrative and Technical Capabilities

Resources	Available? (Yes/No)	Comments (available staff, responsibilities, support of hazard mitigation)
Administrative Capability		
Planning Board	Yes	The Planning & Zoning Board provides direction on various land use issues including adjusting lot lines, preparing properties for subdivision and development, and processing requests for use and density variances.
Zoning Board of Adjustments	Yes	See Above
Planning Department	Yes	See Above
Mitigation Planning Committee	No	-



Resources	Available? (Yes/No)	Comments (available staff, responsibilities, support of hazard mitigation)
Environmental Board/Commission	Yes	The Franklin Environmental Commission creates natural resource inventories, review planning and zoning applications to determine if any conditions exist on the property (such as wetlands) could affect the development, and obtain grants to help with a variety of "green" projects.
Open Space Board/Committee	No	-
Economic Development Commission/Committee	Yes	The Economic Development Committee seeks ways to bring businesses to Franklin and retain existing businesses. The Committee is also responsible for redevelopment of abandoned buildings.
Public Works/Highway Department	Yes	The Public Works Department is responsible for trash collection, recycling, and maintenance of township roads.
Construction/Building/Code Enforcement Department	Yes	The Construction Department is responsible for permitting, inspecting, and monitoring many building and construction projects, including new / temporary buildings, additions, renovations, and demolitions.
Emergency Management/Public Safety Department	No	Consists of 3 members of the Franklin Township Police Department
Warning Systems / Services (mass notification system, outdoor warning signals)	Yes	Franklin Township utilizes Alert Center for notifications about severe weather, road closures, and other emergencies.
Maintenance programs to reduce risk (stormwater maintenance, tree trimming, etc.)	Yes	The Public Works Department is responsible for this action.
Mutual aid agreements	Yes	Gloucester County EMS
Human Resources Manual - Do any job descriptions specifically include identifying or implementing mitigation projects or other efforts to reduce natural hazard risk?	No	-
Other	No	-
Technical/Staffing Capability		
Planners or engineers with knowledge of land development and land management practices	Yes	Township hires an engineering firm for matters like these.
Engineers or professionals trained in building or infrastructure construction practices	Yes	See above
Planners or engineers with an understanding of natural hazards	Yes	See above
Staff with expertise or training in benefit/cost analysis	No	-
Professionals trained in conducting damage assessments	No	-
Personnel skilled or trained in GIS and/or Hazards United States (HAZUS) – Multi-Hazards (MH) applications	No	-
Scientist familiar with natural hazards	No	-
Surveyor(s)	Yes	Township hires firms to assist with this
Emergency Manager	Yes	Lt. Matthew DeCesari
Grant writer(s)	Yes	Nancy Kennedy Brent



Resources	Available? (Yes/No)	Comments (available staff, responsibilities, support of hazard mitigation)
Resilience Officer	Yes	Two officers within the police department
Other (this could include stormwater engineer, environmental specialist, etc.)	No	-

9.6.3.4 Fiscal Capability

The table below summarizes financial resources available to the Township of Franklin.

Table 9.6-5. Fiscal Capabilities

Financial Resources	Are these accessible or eligible to use for mitigation? (Yes/No) If yes, please describe. If no, can this be used to support in the future?
Community development Block Grants (CDBG, CDBG-DR)	Yes
Capital improvements project funding	Yes
Authority to levy taxes for specific purposes	Yes
User fees for water, sewer, gas or electric service	No
Impact fees for homebuyers or developers of new development/homes	No
Stormwater utility fee	No
Incur debt through general obligation bonds	No
Incur debt through special tax bonds	No
Incur debt through private activity bonds	No
Withhold public expenditures in hazard-prone areas	No
Other federal or state funding programs	No
Open Space Acquisition funding programs	No
Other (for example, Clean Water Act 319 Grants [Nonpoint Source Pollution])	No
Fiscal Connection to Mitigation and Safe Growth	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How do your fiscal capabilities contribute to risk reduction in your community? Rosemary Flaherty • When constructing upcoming budgets, hazard mitigation actions will be funded as budget allows. Construction projects will be evaluated to see if they meet the hazard mitigation goals. Rosemary Flaherty • Annually, the jurisdiction will review mitigation actions when allocating funding. Rosemary Flaherty • Do budgets limit expenditures on projects that would encourage development in areas vulnerable to natural hazards? Rosemary Flaherty • Do infrastructure policies limit extension of existing facilities and services that would encourage development in areas vulnerable to natural hazards? Rosemary Flaherty • Do budgets provide funding for hazard mitigation projects identified in the County HMP? Rosemary Flaherty 	

9.6.3.5 Education and Outreach Capability

The table below summarizes the education and outreach resources available to the Township of Franklin.



Table 9.6-6. Education and Outreach Capabilities

Outreach Resources	Available? (Yes/No)	Comments (available staff, responsibilities, etc.)
Public information officer or communications office	Yes	Lt. Matthew DeCesari
Personnel skilled or trained in website development	Yes	Sara Thurston
Hazard mitigation information available on your website	No	-
Social media for hazard mitigation education and outreach	No	-
Citizen boards or commissions that address issues related to hazard mitigation	No	-
Other programs already in place that could be used to communicate hazard-related information	Yes	Franklin Township Newsletter
Warning systems for hazard events	Yes	Alert Center Emergency Alerts
Natural disaster/safety programs in place for schools	Yes	School Safety Plans updated yearly
Other	No	-
<p>Does the jurisdiction have any public outreach mechanisms / programs in place to inform citizens on natural hazards, risk, and ways to protect themselves during such events? If yes, please describe.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Township can use their website and social media accounts to 		

9.6.3.6 Community Classifications

The table below summarizes classifications for community programs available to the Township of Franklin.

Table 9.6-7. Community Classifications

Program	Participating? (Yes/No)	Classification (if applicable)	Date Classified (if applicable)
Community Rating System (CRS)	No	N/A	N/A
Building Code Effectiveness Grading Schedule (BCEGS)	No	N/A	N/A
Public Protection (ISO Fire Protection Classes 1 to 10)	Yes	-	-
Sustainable Jersey	No	Registered	4/14/2009
StormReady Certification	No	N/A	N/A
Firewise Communities classification	No	N/A	N/A

Note:

N/A Not applicable

NP Not participating

- Unavailable

9.6.3.7 Adaptive Capacity

Adaptive capacity is defined as “the ability of systems, institutions, humans and other organisms to adjust to potential damage, to take advantage of opportunities, or respond to consequences” (IPCC 2014). In other



words, it describes a jurisdiction’s current capabilities to adjust to, protect from, or withstand a future hazard event, future conditions, and changing risk. The table below summarizes the adaptive capacity for each hazard of concern and the jurisdiction’s rating.

Table 9.6-8. Adaptive Capacity

Hazard	Adaptive Capacity - Strong/Moderate/Weak*
Coastal Erosion/Sea Level Rise	Moderate
Dam Failure/Levee Failure	Moderate
Disease Outbreak/Pandemic	Moderate
Drought	Moderate
Earthquake	Moderate
Extreme Temperatures	Moderate
Flood	Moderate
Geological Hazards	Moderate
Hazardous Materials	Moderate
Hurricane/Tropical Storm	Moderate
Invasive Species/Harmful Algal Bloom	Moderate
Nor’Easter	Moderate
Severe Summer Weather	Moderate
Severe Winter Weather	Moderate
Wildfire	Moderate
Utility Failure	Moderate

*Strong = Capacity exists and is in use, Moderate = Capacity may exist; but is not used or could use some improvement, Weak = Capacity does not exist or could use substantial improvement.

9.6.4 National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Compliance

The table below provides specific information on the management and regulation of the regulatory floodplain, including current and future compliance with the NFIP.

Table 9.6-9. NFIP Summary

NFIP Topic	Comments
Flood Vulnerability Summary	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> # NFIP Policies: 21 # RL properties: 1 # SRL properties: 0 # RL/SRL mitigated: 0 (elevation or acquisition and funding source: N/A)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Total premium in force: \$8,424.00 # claims filed: 10 Total loss payments: \$106,634.97
Describe areas prone to flooding in your jurisdiction.	Oak Ave/Greenwood Ave.
Do you maintain a list of properties that have been damaged by flooding?	No



NFIP Topic	Comments
Do you maintain a list of property owners interested in flood mitigation, and if so, how many are interested in (elevation or acquisition)?	No
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How do you make Substantial Damage determinations? How many were declared for recent flood events in your jurisdiction? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assistance from county OEM None to my knowledge
Detail any RiskMAP projects currently underway in your jurisdiction.	No
Do your flood hazard maps adequately address the flood risk within your jurisdiction? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If not, state why. 	N/A
NFIP Administration	
What local department is responsible for floodplain management?	Planning Board
Are any staff certified floodplain managers (CFMs) or is a consultant retained?	No
Provide an explanation of who in your municipality provides NFIP administration services (permit review, GIS, education/outreach, inspections, engineering capability).	Planning Board and hired engineers
What specific training or support does your floodplain management staff need to support its floodplain management program?	
How do you determine if proposed development on an existing structure would qualify as a substantial improvement?	Handled by the construction office
Do you have access to resources to determine possible future flooding conditions from climate change?	No
NFIP Compliance	
List any outstanding NFIP compliance violations.	N/A
When was the most recent Community Assistance Visit (CAV) or Community Assistance Contact (CAC)?	1/12/1995
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is the local law number or municipal code of your flood damage prevention ordinance? What is the date that your flood damage prevention ordinance was last amended? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 226 November 10, 2009
Does your floodplain management program meet or exceed minimum requirements? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If exceeds, in what ways? 	
Are there other local ordinances, plans, or programs (site plan review, consideration of flood risk reduction when granting height variances) that support floodplain management and meeting the NFIP requirements?	No
Does your jurisdiction participate in CRS? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If yes, is your jurisdiction interested in improving its CRS Classification? If no, is your jurisdiction interested in joining the CRS program? 	No – the Township is not interested in joining the CRS program at this time

Source: FEMA September 16, 2019; NJDEP - 2021

Notes:

RL—Repetitive Loss; SRL—Severe Repetitive Loss; NA—Not applicable



9.6.5 Growth/Development Trends

Understanding how past, current, and projected development patterns have or are likely to increase or decrease risk in hazard areas is a key component to understanding a jurisdiction’s overall risk to its hazards of concern. The table below summarizes recent and expected future development trends, including major residential/commercial development and major infrastructure development.

Table 9.6-10. Recent and Expected Future Development

Type of Development	2016		2017		2018		2019		2020		2021	
Number of Building Permits for New Construction Issued Since the Previous HMP* (within regulatory floodplain/ outside regulatory floodplain)												
	Total	Within SFHA	Total	Within SFHA	Total	Within SFHA	Total	Within SFHA	Total	Within SFHA	Total	Within SFHA
Single Family	13	-	8	-	5	-	13	-	14	-	20	-
Multi-Family	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other (commercial, mixed-use, etc.)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Permits Issued	979	-	848	-	706	-	643	-	670	-	419	-
Property or Development Name	Type of Development	# of Units / Structures		Location (address and/or block and lot)		Known Hazard Zone(s)*		Description / Status of Development				
Recent Major Development and Infrastructure from 2015 to Present												
None identified												
Known or Anticipated Major Development and Infrastructure in the Next Five (5) Years												
None identified												

SFHA Special Flood Hazard Area (1% annual chance flood event)

* Only location-specific hazard zones or vulnerabilities identified.

9.6.6 Jurisdictional Risk Assessment

The hazard profiles in Section 4 (Risk Assessment) provide detailed information regarding each plan participant’s vulnerability to the identified hazards. Section 4.1 (Identification of Hazards of Concern), Section 4.2 (Methodology and Tools), and Section 4.4 (Hazard Ranking) provide a detailed summary for the Township of Franklin’s risk assessment results, and data used to determine the hazard ranking are discussed later in this section.

Hazard area extent and location maps provided below illustrate the probable areas impacted within the jurisdiction. These maps are based on the best available data at the time of the preparation of this plan and are adequate for planning purposes. Maps were only generated for those hazards that can be clearly identified

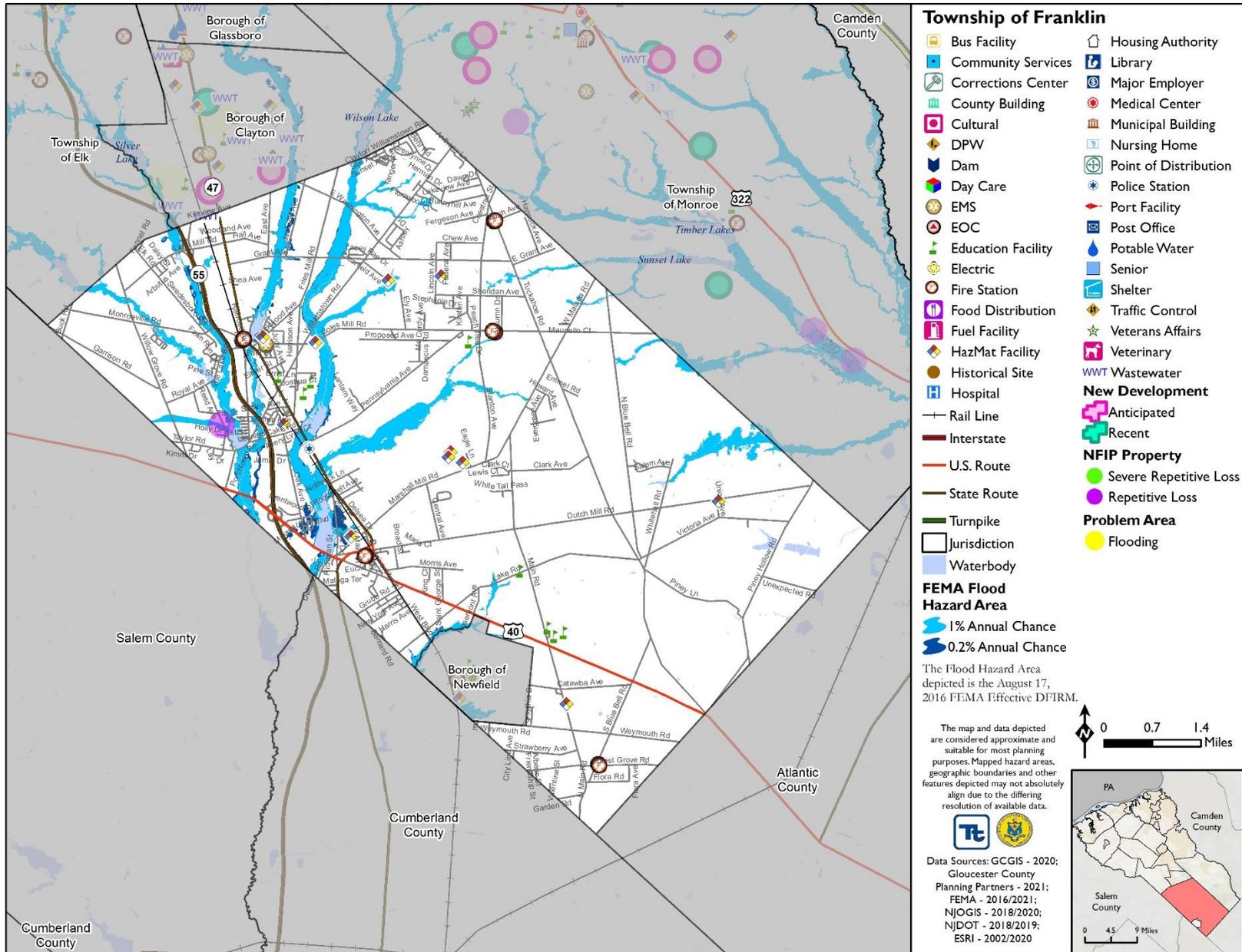


using mapping techniques and technologies and for which the Township of Franklin has significant exposure. The maps also show the location of potential new development, where available.

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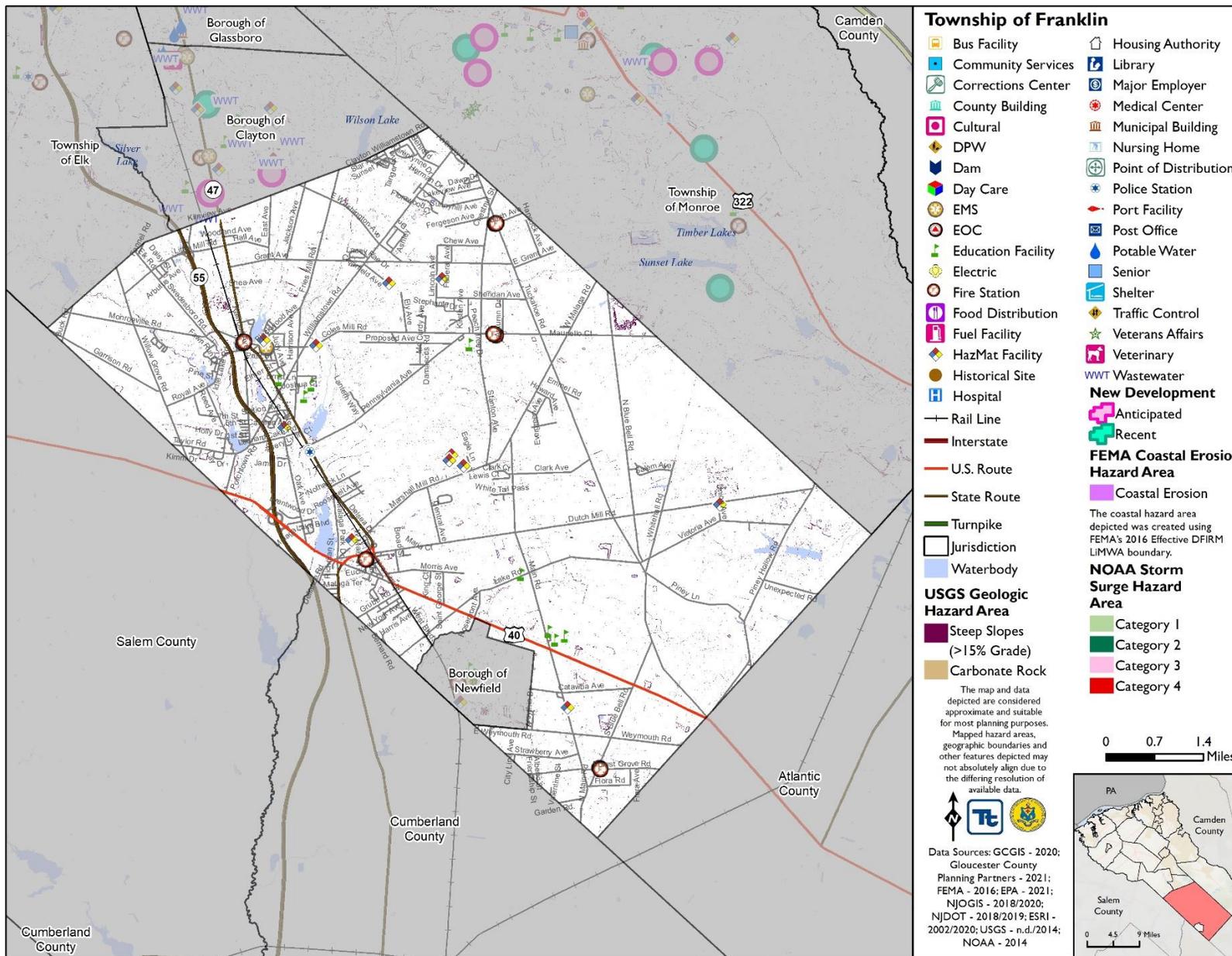
Figure 9.6-1. Township of Franklin Hazard Area Extent and Location Map 1



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Figure 9.6-2. Township of Franklin Hazard Area Extent and Location Map 2



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Figure 9.6-3. Township of Franklin Hazard Area Extent and Location Map 3

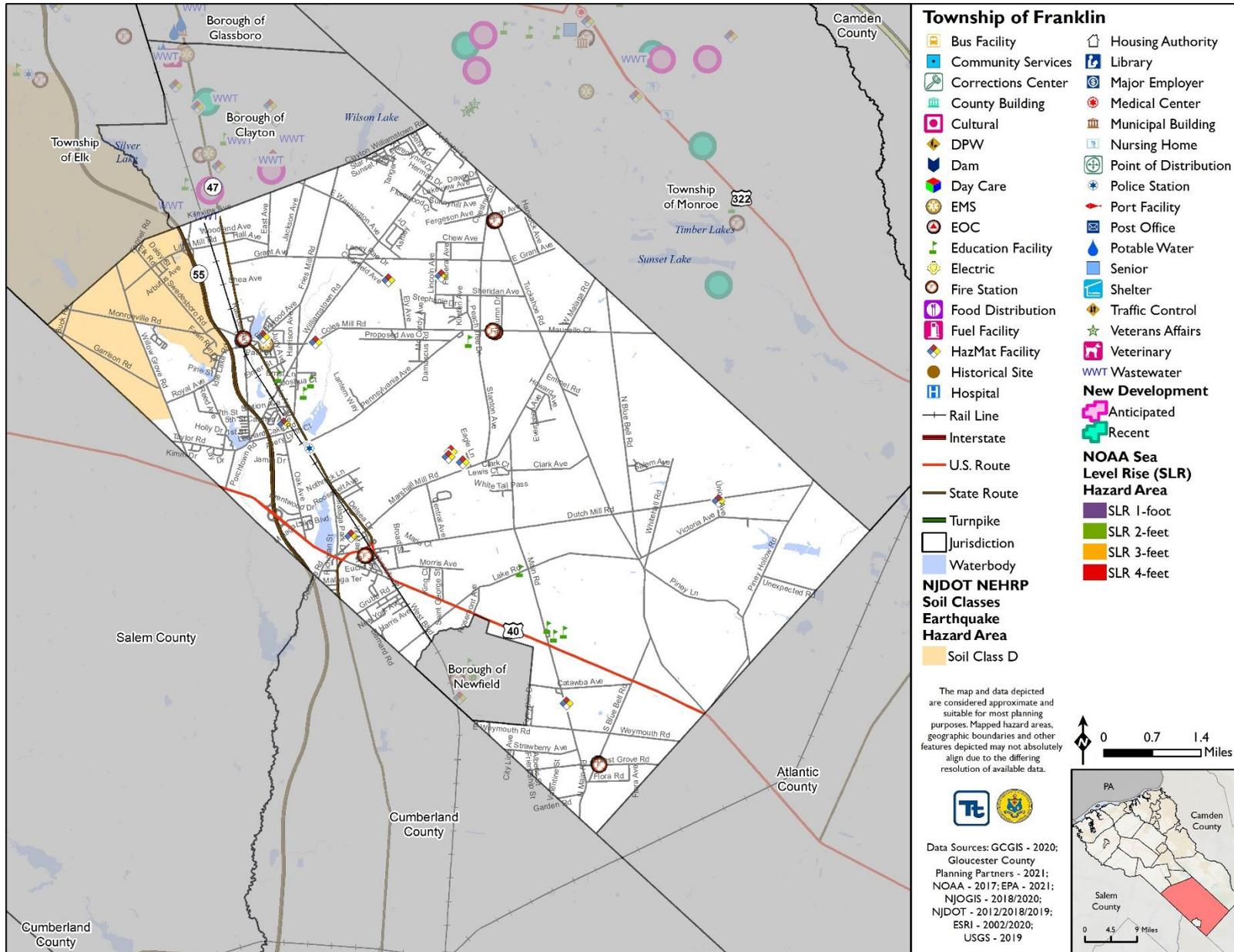
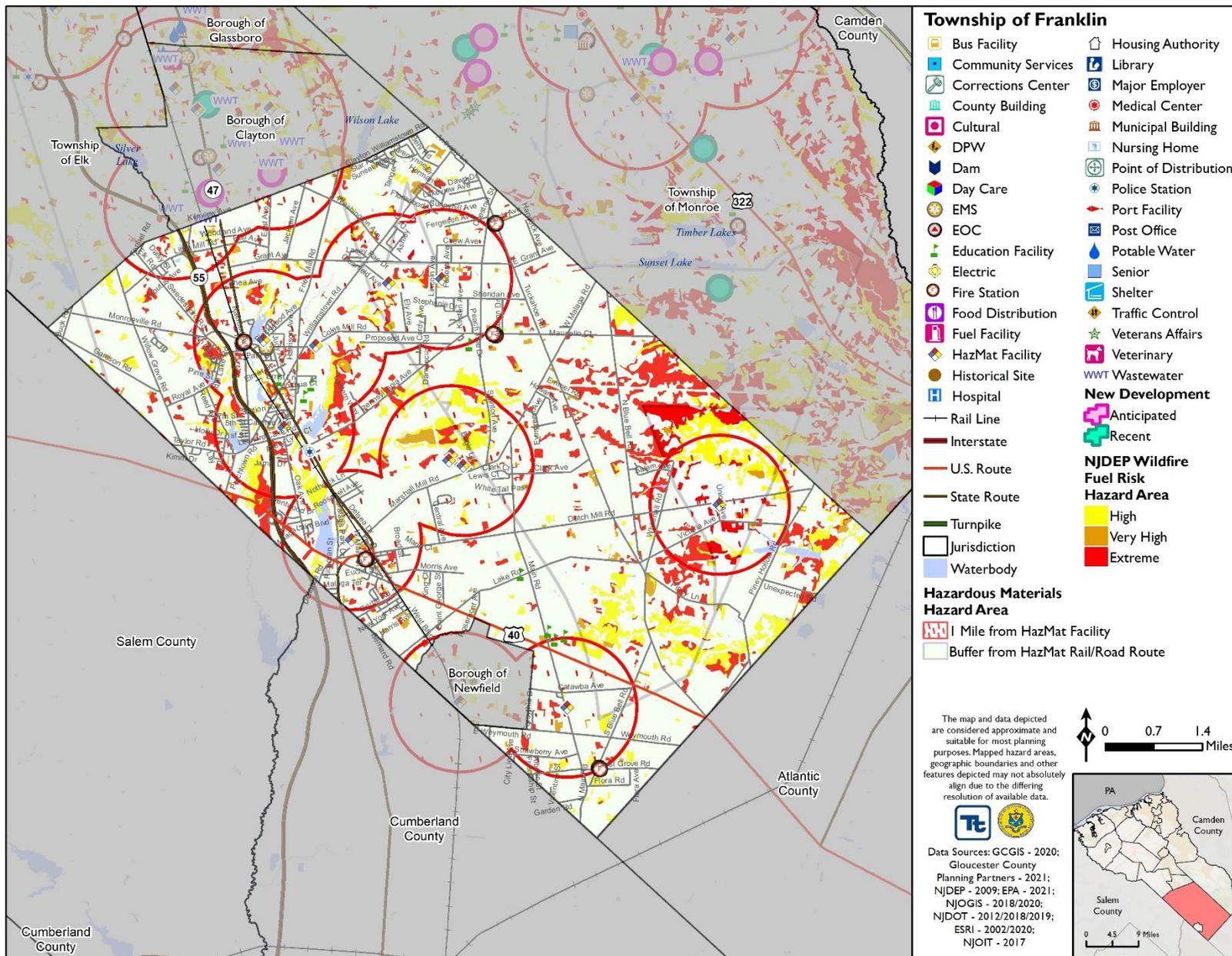




Figure 9.6-4. Township of Franklin Hazard Area Extent and Location Map 4



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9.6.6.1 Hazard Event History

Gloucester County has a history of natural hazard events as detailed in Section 4 (Risk Assessment) of this plan. A summary of historical events is provided in each of the hazard profiles and includes a chronology of events that have affected the county and its municipalities.

The Township of Franklin’s history of federal declarations (as presented by FEMA) and significant hazard events (as presented in NOAA-NCEI) is consistent with that of Gloucester County. The table below provides details regarding municipal-specific loss and damages the Township experienced during hazard events since the last hazard mitigation plan update. Information provided in the table below is based on reference material or local sources.

Table 9.6-11. Hazard Event History

Dates of Event	Event Type (Disaster Declaration if applicable)	County Designated?	Summary of Event	Municipal Summary of Damages and Losses
February 15, 2015	Cold/Wind Chill	No	The center of an arctic air mass brought some of the lowest wind chills and temperatures of the winter season to New Jersey. Wind chill factors were recorded as low as 22 degrees below zero, with actual temperatures reaching -2°F.	N/A
June 23, 2015	Severe Storm (DR-4231-NJ)	Yes	In Gloucester County, the Red Cross opened two comfort stations. Wind damage was most severe between Greenwich Township and Mantua Township. Lightning struck a refinery in Paulsboro, causing a loss of power and off-gas. In Wenonah, wind damage knocked down several massive oak trees. In Mantua, the microburst knocked down an estimated 2,800 trees and 100 poles. The Township’s Fire Department building was severely damaged. Wind also knocked down power poles in East Greenwich along Kings Highway. Roads throughout East Greenwich were impassable. Damage was estimated at \$10 million.	N/A
January 22 – 24, 2016	Severe Winter Storm and Snowstorm (DR-4264-NJ)	Yes	Snow totals in Gloucester County included 21 inches in Deptford, 20.9 inches in Pitman, 17.5 inches in Turnersville, 14.5 inches in Williamstown, and one foot in Mullica Hill.	N/A
March 6, 2018	Winter Storm	No	Gloucester County was hit with isolated heavy snow, with totals ranging from five inches in Pitman to 6.5 inches in West Deptford.	N/A
January 20, 2020 – Present	Covid-19 Pandemic (EM-3451-NJ) (DR-4488-NJ)	Yes	Between March 1, 2020 and March 15, 2021, Gloucester County reported 21,065 confirmed cases of COVID-19, and 530 total fatalities.	Losses incurred during the pandemic included monetary values associated with purchasing PPE and staffing.
September 1-3, 2021	Hurricane Ida (DR-4614)	Yes	On September 1st, Gloucester County and surrounding areas received a tornado warning issued by the NWS telling people to move indoors, to stay away from windows and avoid	No reported damages or losses



Dates of Event	Event Type (Disaster Declaration if applicable)	County Designated?	Summary of Event	Municipal Summary of Damages and Losses
			<p>traveling. Shortly after, the tornado touched down in Mullica Hills, Woodbury Heights, Deptford, and West Deptford. It was a confirmed EF-3 tornado with winds of up to 150 mph. Over 90,000 residents were without power statewide.</p> <p>In addition to the devastating tornado, the County experienced rainfall totals ranging from 1.6 inches to 2 inches. The Delaware River at Washington Street (just north of Gloucester County) crested 9.69 feet on September 1st (moderate flood stage).</p>	

9.6.6.2 Hazard Ranking and Vulnerabilities

The hazard profiles in Section 4.1 (Identification of Hazards of Concern) of this plan have detailed information regarding each plan participant’s vulnerability to the identified hazards. The following summarizes the Township of Franklin’s risk assessment results and data used to determine the hazard ranking.

Hazard Ranking

This section provides the community specific identification of the primary hazard concerns based on identified problems, impacts and the results of the risk assessment as presented in Section 4 (Risk Assessment) of the plan. The ranking process involves an assessment of the likelihood of occurrence for each hazard, along with its potential impacts on people, property, and the economy as well as community capability and changing future climate conditions. This input supports the mitigation action development to target those hazards with highest level of concern.

As discussed in Section 4.4 (Hazard Ranking), each participating jurisdiction can have differing degrees of risk exposure and vulnerability compared with Gloucester County as a whole. The table below summarizes the hazard risk/vulnerability rankings of potential natural hazards for the Township of Franklin. The Township of Franklin reviewed the county hazard risk/vulnerability risk ranking table, including municipal-specific results, to reflect the relative risk of the hazards of concern to the community.

During the review of the hazard/vulnerability risk ranking, the Township agreed the calculated rankings for the community.

Table 9.6-12. Hazard Ranking Input

Coastal Erosion / Sea Level Rise	Dam / Levee Failure	Disease Outbreak	Drought	Earthquake	Extreme Temperature	Flood	Geologic	Hazardous Materials
Low	Medium	Low	Medium	Low	Medium	Low	Low	High



Hurricane / Tropical Storm	Invasive and Nuisance Species	Nor'Easter	Severe Weather	Severe Winter Weather	Wildfire	Utility Failure
Low	Low	Medium	High	Medium	Medium	Medium

Note: The scale is based on the hazard rankings established in Section 4.4 (Hazard Ranking) and modified as appropriate during review by the jurisdiction.

Critical Facilities

The table below identifies critical facilities in the community located in the 1-percent and 0.2-percent floodplain and presents Hazus estimates of the damage and loss of use to critical facilities as a result of a 1-percent annual chance flood event.

Table 9.6-13. Potential Flood Losses to Critical Facilities

Name	Type	Lifeline?	Exposure		Comment
			1% Event	0.2% Event	
No critical facilities in the floodplain.					

Source: Gloucester County Planning Partners - 2021; HIFLD - 2020; EPA - 2021; FEMA 2016

9.6.6.3 Identified Issues

After review of the Township of Franklin’s hazard event history, hazard rankings, jurisdiction specific vulnerabilities, hazard area extent and location, and current capabilities, the Township of Franklin did not identify any additional vulnerabilities within their community.

Specific areas of concern based on resident response to the citizen survey include:

- Our street (Oak Ave in Malaga) floods badly during storms.
- We lost our dam on Idle Acres Lake during Hurricane Irene. This was due to a breach in Elephant Swamp. The dam at the old campground on Delsea Drive has been out for years. I worry that these older structures will once again cause issues for our Lake.

9.6.7 Mitigation Strategy and Prioritization

This section discusses past mitigations actions and status, describes proposed hazard mitigation initiatives, and their prioritization.

9.6.7.1 Past Mitigation Initiative Status

The following table indicates progress on the community’s mitigation strategy identified in the 2016 HMP. Actions that are carried forward as part of this plan update are included in the following subsection in its own table with prioritization. Previous actions that are now on-going programs and capabilities are indicated as such in the following table and are discussed in the ‘Capability Assessment’ presented previously in this annex.



Table 9.6-14. Status of Previous Mitigation Actions

#	2016 Action Description	Responsible Party	What is the status? (e.g., In Progress, No Progress, Ongoing Capability, or Completed) If in progress or completed, please describe the funding source, cost and who is implementing.	If you did not complete the action, should the action be included in the 2022 HMP (i.e., there is still a need, this is still a priority)?		
				Yes/No	If Yes, please describe the original problem (i.e., hazard, location, historic losses)	If Yes, identify the responsible department/person to implement the project.
MJ-4	Improve storm drainage on Morris Avenue at State Route 40 (evacuation route).	Municipal OEM, NJDOT	No Progress	No	-	-
MJ-5	Alleviate flooding at West Boulevard & State Route 40.	Municipal OEM, NJDOT	No Progress	No	-	-
M-1	Identify and pursue outreach and education opportunities to inform municipal residents, businesses, and property owners regarding: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current hazards and risks • Changing conditions and actions that may reduce / increase risk to include monitoring and maintenance of privately owned dams • Best practices for hazard mitigation at the individual or property level. 	Municipal OEM	Ongoing Capability	No	-	-
M-2	Prioritize critical facilities and complete site and facility surveys to identify vulnerabilities and potential mitigation measures.	Municipal OEM and Facility Managers	Ongoing Capability	No	-	-
M-3	Prioritize recurrent drainage problem areas and initiate data collection to track unreimbursed damages and related response and recovery expenses.	Municipal OEM and Public Works	Ongoing Capability	No	-	-
M-4	Conduct regular Municipal Working Group meetings consistent with the plan maintenance program and the Municipal Adoption Resolution.	Municipal OEM and Working Group	Ongoing Capability	No	-	-
M-5	Install permanent backup emergency power generator to Municipal Hall (CF-1).	Municipal OEM	Completed	No	-	-
M-6	Install permanent backup emergency power generator to Public Works Facility (CF-10).	Municipal OEM	Completed	No	-	-
M-7	Install permanent backup emergency power generator to Community Center (CF-16).	Municipal OEM	Completed	No	-	-
M-8	Engineering study to access risk and maintenance of Franklinville Lake Dam.	Municipal OEM	Completed	No	-	-



#	2016 Action Description	Responsible Party	What is the status? (e.g., In Progress, No Progress, Ongoing Capability, or Completed) If in progress or completed, please describe the funding source, cost and who is implementing.	If you did not complete the action, should the action be included in the 2022 HMP (i.e., there is still a need, this is still a priority)?		
				Yes/No	If Yes, please describe the original problem (i.e., hazard, location, historic losses)	If Yes, identify the responsible department/person to implement the project.
M-9	Upgrade drainage system on Lay Drive.	Municipal OEM	No Progress	Yes		
M-10	Upgrade drainage and retention system on University Street.	Municipal OEM	No Progress	Yes		
M-11	Upgrade drainage system on Sunny Hill Drive.	Municipal OEM	Completed	No	-	-
M-12	Upgrade drainage system on Forrest Grove Road.	Municipal OEM	Completed	No	-	-
M-13	Address identified Repetitive Flood Loss Properties.	Municipal OEM	Ongoing Capability	No	-	-
M-14	Envelope hardening/secure roof ballast of shelter (Regional High School) (CF-15).	Municipal OEM	Completed	No	-	-
M-15	Hazard threat assessment related to chlorine carrying freight rail carriers.	Municipal OEM	In Progress	No	-	-
M-16	Hazard threat assessment related to Arrow Crop Service Airport and hazardous materials on site.	Municipal OEM	No Progress	No	-	-
M-17	Modify building materials, revisit response and evacuation plans, firelanes and education for populations in the Pinelands.	Municipal OEM and Fire Departments	Ongoing Capability	No	-	-



9.6.7.2 Additional Mitigation Efforts

Other than routine maintenance activities and progress noted in Table 9.6-14, the Township did not undertake any additional mitigation efforts in the last five years.

9.6.7.3 Proposed Hazard Mitigation Initiatives for the HMP Update

A mitigation action workshop was held in August 2021 and during the meeting, participants were provided the following FEMA publications to use as a resource as part of their comprehensive review of all possible activities and mitigation measures to address their hazards: FEMA 551 'Selecting Appropriate Mitigation Measures for Floodprone Structures' (March 2007) and FEMA 'Mitigation Ideas – A Resource for Reducing Risk to Natural Hazards' (January 2013).

The table below indicates the range of proposed mitigation action categories.

Table 9.6-15. Analysis of Mitigation Actions by Hazard and Category

Hazard	FEMA				CRS					
	LPR	SIP	NSP	EAP	PR	PP	PI	NR	SP	ES
Coastal Erosion/Sea Level Rise	X									X
Dam Failure/Levee Failure	X									X
Disease Outbreak	X									X
Drought	X									X
Earthquake	X									X
Extreme Temperatures	X									X
Flood	X	X	X		X	X		X	X	X
Geological Hazards	X									X
Hazardous Materials	X									X
Hurricane/Tropical Storm	X	X	X			X		X	X	X
Invasive Species/Harmful Algal Bloom	X									X
Nor'Easter	X	X	X			X		X	X	X
Severe Weather	X	X	X			X		X	X	X
Severe Winter Weather	X									X
Wildfire	X									X
Utility Failure	X									X

Note: Section 6 (Mitigation Strategy) provides for an explanation of the mitigation categories.

The table below (Table 9.6-16) summarizes the comprehensive range of specific mitigation initiatives the Township of Franklin would like to pursue in the future to reduce the effects of hazards. Some of these initiatives may be previous actions carried forward for this plan update. These initiatives are dependent upon available funding (grants and local match availability) and may be modified or omitted at any time based on the occurrence of new hazard events and changes in municipal priorities. Both the four FEMA mitigation action categories and the six CRS mitigation action categories are listed in the table below to further demonstrate the wide-range of activities and mitigation measures selected.

As discussed in Section 6 (Mitigation Strategy), 14 evaluation/prioritization criteria are used to complete the prioritization of mitigation initiatives. For each new mitigation action, a numeric rank is assigned (-1, 0, or 1)



for each of the 14 evaluation criteria to assist with prioritizing your actions as 'High', 'Medium', or 'Low.' The table below summarizes the evaluation of each mitigation initiative, listed by Action Number.

Table 9.6-17 provides a summary of the prioritization of all proposed mitigation initiatives for the HMP update.

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Table 9.6-16. Proposed Hazard Mitigation Initiatives and Associated Priority

Project Number	Mitigation Initiative Name	Description of Problem and Solution	New or Existing Assets?	Hazard(s) to be Mitigated	Goals Met	Estimated Timeline	Lead and Support Agencies	Potential Funding Sources	Estimated Benefits	Estimated Costs	Priority	Mitigation Category	CRS Category
2022-Franklin-001	Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance	Problem: The current flood damage prevention ordinance does not meet the state's recommendation for a code-coordinated flood damage prevention ordinance. Solution: The Township will update the flood damage prevention ordinance using the NJ DEP's model code coordinated ordinance to create better coordination between NFIP implementation by the floodplain administrator, the New Jersey Flood Hazard Area Control Act (FHACA) implemented at the State level by the NJDEP, and the Uniform Construction Code (UCC) implemented by the Construction Official.	New	Flood	1, 2	6 months	Floodplain Administrator, Township Administration	Township budget	Meet state and FEMA standards for flood damage prevention, reduce flood risk on new development	Staff time	High	LPR	PR
2022-Franklin-002	Municipal Debris Management Plan	Problem: The Township lacks an adopted Disaster Debris Management Plan. Solution: The Township will complete and adopt the in-progress Disaster Debris Management Plan.	Existing	All Hazards	5	1 year	Public Works, OEM	Township budget	Increased planning for post-disaster response and cleanup.	Staff time	Medium	LPR	ES
2022-Franklin-003	RL/SRL Property Outreach	Problem: Frequent flooding events have resulted in damages to residential properties. These properties have been repetitively flooded as documented by paid NFIP claims. The Township has one repetitive loss property. Other areas may be floodprone.	Existing	Flood, Severe Weather	1, 2	3 years	Floodplain Administrator, supported by homeowners	FEMA HMGP and FMA, local cost share by residents	Eliminates flood damage to homes and residents, creates open space for the municipality	\$1 million+	High	SIP	PP



Project Number	Mitigation Initiative Name	Description of Problem and Solution	New or Existing Assets?	Hazard(s) to be Mitigated	Goals Met	Estimated Timeline	Lead and Support Agencies	Potential Funding Sources	Estimated Benefits	Estimated Costs	Priority	Mitigation Category	CRS Category
		Solution: Conduct outreach to 21 flood-prone property owners, including RL/SRL property owners and provide information on mitigation alternatives. After preferred mitigation measures are identified, collect required property-owner information and develop a FEMA grant application and BCA to obtain funding to implement acquisition/purchase/moving/elevating residential homes in the flood prone areas that experience frequent flooding (high risk areas).							increasing flood storage.				
2022-Franklin-004 (previous action)	Drainage System Upgrades on Lay Drive	Problem: The drainage system along Lay Drive is inadequate in size and becomes inundated when at full capacity. Solution: The Township will complete a stormwater drainage design plan to determine what improvements and upgrades are needed. Once the plan is complete and projects are identified, the Township will begin the upgrades.	New and Existing	Flood, Hurricane/Tropical Storm, Nor'Easter, Severe Weather	1, 2, 5	5 years	Township DPW, Township Engineer	NJ Environmental Infrastructure Financing Program, Municipal Budget	Increase system capacity; reduce damages	Staff Time	Low	SIP, NSP	PP, SP, NR
2022-Franklin-005 (previous action)	Drainage and Retention System on University Street	Problem: The drainage system University Street is inadequate in size and becomes inundated when at full capacity. Drainage and retention systems are in need of upgrades. Solution: The Township will complete a stormwater drainage and retention system design plan to determine what improvements and upgrades are needed. Once the plan is complete and	New and Existing	Flood, Hurricane/Tropical Storm, Nor'Easter, Severe Weather	1, 2, 5	5 years	Township DPW, Township Engineer	NJ Environmental Infrastructure Financing Program, Municipal Budget	Increase system capacity; reduce damages	Staff Time	Low	SIP, NSP	PP, SP, NR



Project Number	Mitigation Initiative Name	Description of Problem and Solution	New or Existing Assets?	Hazard(s) to be Mitigated	Goals Met	Estimated Timeline	Lead and Support Agencies	Potential Funding Sources	Estimated Benefits	Estimated Costs	Priority	Mitigation Category	CRS Category
		projects are identified, the Township will begin the upgrades.											

Notes:

Not all acronyms and abbreviations defined below are included in the table.

Acronyms and Abbreviations:

CAV	Community Assistance Visit
CRS	Community Rating System
DPW	Department of Public Works
EHP	Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation
FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Agency
FPA	Floodplain Administrator
HMA	Hazard Mitigation Assistance
N/A	Not applicable
NFIP	National Flood Insurance Program
OEM	Office of Emergency Management

Potential FEMA HMA Funding Sources:

FMA	Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant Program
HMGP	Hazard Mitigation Grant Program
BRIC	Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities Program

Timeline:

The time required for completion of the project upon implementation

Cost:

The estimated cost for implementation.

Benefits:

A description of the estimated benefits, either quantitative and/or qualitative.

Mitigation Category:

- Local Plans and Regulations (LPR) – These actions include government authorities, policies or codes that influence the way land and buildings are being developed and built.
- Structure and Infrastructure Project (SIP) - These actions involve modifying existing structures and infrastructure to protect them from a hazard or remove them from a hazard area. This could apply to public or private structures as well as critical facilities and infrastructure. This type of action also involves projects to construct manmade structures to reduce the impact of hazards.
- Natural Systems Protection (NSP) – These are actions that minimize damage and losses, and also preserve or restore the functions of natural systems.
- Education and Awareness Programs (EAP) – These are actions to inform and educate citizens, elected officials, and property owners about hazards and potential ways to mitigate them. These actions may also include participation in national programs, such as StormReady and Firewise Communities.

CRS Category:

- Preventative Measures (PR) - Government, administrative or regulatory actions, or processes that influence the way land and buildings are developed and built. Examples include planning and zoning, floodplain local laws, capital improvement programs, open space preservation, and storm water management regulations.
- Property Protection (PP) - These actions include public activities to reduce hazard losses or actions that involve (1) modification of existing buildings or structures to protect them from a hazard or (2) removal of the structures from the hazard area. Examples include acquisition, elevation, relocation, structural retrofits, storm shutters, and shatter-resistant glass.



- *Public Information (PI) - Actions to inform and educate citizens, elected officials, and property owners about hazards and potential ways to mitigate them. Such actions include outreach projects, real estate disclosure, hazard information centers, and educational programs for school-age children and adults.*
- *Natural Resource Protection (NR) - Actions that minimize hazard loss and also preserve or restore the functions of natural systems. These actions include sediment and erosion control, stream corridor restoration, watershed management, forest and vegetation management, and wetland restoration and preservation.*
- *Structural Flood Control Projects (SP) - Actions that involve the construction of structures to reduce the impact of a hazard. Such structures include dams, setback levees, floodwalls, retaining walls, and safe rooms.*
- *Emergency Services (ES) - Actions that protect people and property during and immediately following a disaster or hazard event. Services include warning systems, emergency response services, and the protection of essential facilities.*

Table 9.6-17. Summary Evaluation and Action Priority

Project Number	Project Name	Life Safety	Property Protection	Cost-Effectiveness	Technical	Political	Legal	Fiscal	Environmental	Social	Administrative	Multi-Hazard	Timeline	Agency Champion	Other Community Objectives	Total	High / Medium / Low
2022-Franklin-001	Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	10	High
2022-Franklin-002	Municipal Debris Management Plan	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	8	Medium
2022-Franklin-003	RL/SRL Property Outreach	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	9	High
2022-Franklin-004 (previous action)	Drainage System Upgrades on Lay Drive	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	4	Low
2022-Franklin-005 (previous action)	Drainage and Retention System on University Street	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	4	Low

Note: Section 6 (Mitigation Strategy), which conveys guidance on prioritizing mitigation actions.

Low (0-4), Medium (5-8), High (9-14).

This action has been identified as being of highest importance to the municipality and an action that the municipality would like to complete as soon as funding is received.



9.6.8 Action Worksheets

The following action worksheets have been developed by the Township of Franklin to aid in the submittal of grant applications to support the funding of high priority proposed actions. The State of New Jersey requires at least two projects be developed with action worksheets.

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Action Worksheet			
Project Name:	RL/SRL Property Outreach		
Project Number:	2022-Franklin-003		
Risk / Vulnerability			
Hazard(s) of Concern:	Flood, Severe Weather		
Description of the Problem:	Frequent flooding events have resulted in damages to residential properties. These properties have been repetitively flooded as documented by paid NFIP claims. The Township has one repetitive loss property. Other areas may be floodprone.		
Action or Project Intended for Implementation			
Description of the Solution:	Conduct outreach to 21 flood-prone property owners, including RL/SRL property owners and provide information on mitigation alternatives. After preferred mitigation measures are identified, collect required property-owner information and develop a FEMA grant application and BCA to obtain funding to implement acquisition/ purchase/moving/elevating residential homes in the flood prone areas that experience frequent flooding (high risk areas).		
Is this project related to a Critical Facility or Lifeline?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Level of Protection:		Estimated Benefits (losses avoided):	Eliminates flood damage to homes and residents, creates open space for the municipality increasing flood storage
Useful Life:		Goals Met:	1, 2
Estimated Cost:	\$1 million+	Mitigation Action Type:	Structure and Infrastructure Project
Plan for Implementation			
Prioritization:	High	Desired Timeframe for Implementation:	3 years
Estimated Time Required for Project Implementation:		Potential Funding Sources:	FEMA HMGP and FMA, local cost share by residents
Responsible Organization:	Floodplain Administrator, supported by homeowners	Local Planning Mechanisms to be Used in Implementation if any:	Hazard Mitigation
Three Alternatives Considered (including No Action)			
Alternatives:	Action	Estimated Cost	Evaluation
	No Action	\$0	Current problem continues
Progress Report (for plan maintenance)			
Date of Status Report:			
Report of Progress:			
Update Evaluation of the Problem and/or Solution:			



Action Worksheet		
Project Name:	RL/SRL Property Outreach	
Project Number:	2022-Franklin-003	
Criteria	Numeric Rank (-1, 0, 1)	Provide brief rationale for numeric rank when appropriate
Life Safety	1	
Property Protection	1	
Cost-Effectiveness	1	Benefits outweigh costs
Technical	1	Project is technically feasible
Political	1	
Legal	1	
Fiscal	1	
Environmental	0	
Social	0	
Administrative	1	
Multi-Hazard	0	Flood, Severe Weather
Timeline	1	3 years
Agency Champion	0	
Other Community Objectives	0	
Total	9	
Priority (High/Med/Low)	High	