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Hazard Mitigation Plan Public Meeting on January 27th, 2022

SETRPC will hold a public meeting on **Thursday, January 27th** to gather public input for updating the Regional Hazard Mitigation Plans for Hardin, Jasper, Jefferson, and Orange Counties. The meeting is at 5:30 p.m. at the South East Texas Regional Planning Commission (SETRPC), 2210 Eastex Freeway, Beaumont, TX 77703 in the Nagel Room. The public is invited and encouraged to attend the meeting.

There will also be a Microsoft Teams option for those who are unable to attend in-person, but are still interested in getting involved in the process.

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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 analyze potential hazards affecting residents and recommend possible actions to reduce their impact. Hazards included are flood, dam failure, tornado, thunderstorm wind, drought, hail, wildfire, winter storm, lightning, extreme heat, hurricane, and coastal erosion.

A public participation survey is available at: <https://h2o.surveyparrot.com/s/setrpc-regional-hazard-mitigation-plan-updates-public-survey/tt-506062>

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 SETRPC; Attn: Heather Ferrara, Project Manager by email at heather@h2opartnersusa.com.