

HAZARD MITIGATION PLANNING GROUP MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 16, 2011- 5:00 P.M.
CITY HALL, 1840 SECOND STREET
COLUMBIA CITY, OR 97018

Present:

Gary Hudson
Shannon Fitzgibbons
Frank Hupp
Micah Rogers, Public Works Superintendent
Leahnette Rivers, City Administrator/Recorder

Emergency Operations Plan: Review of Appendix Items: Leahnette noted that Columbia County adopted a new Emergency Operations Plan in 2010, and she distributed a copy of the new Situation and Planning Assumptions section from the 2010 plan that should replace the existing Hazard Analysis section contained in the Appendix. Committee Members will review the new Situation and Planning Assumptions for further discussion at the next meeting.

Leahnette distributed copies of Shelter In Place instructions, Columbia Health District Public Health responsibilities, and Columbia County Public Sandbags for Private Use policies, all of which should be incorporated into the City's EOP, for review by members. Leahnette plans to distribute copies of the updated EOP to members during the next meeting.

Training: Leahnette distributed copies of NIMS training to members, and will watch for local ICS 400 course opportunities.

Stream Gaging and Flood Forecasting: Leahnette reported that members of the USGS attended a recent Homeland Security and Emergency Management Meeting to discuss stream gaging and flood forecasting. They presented information about stream-gage stations within the County, and discussed ideal locations for future gage stations. Leahnette said Columbia County Emergency Management may be submitting a Hazard Mitigation Grant application for additional gage stations that will benefit the County.

Neighborhood Block Captains: Gary suggested that the group may want to work on identifying Neighborhood Block Captains that would support the EOC by communicating valuable information between their neighborhood and the EOC, such as damage assessment information, number and extend of injuries, important instructions or information, etc. Frank suggested we might solicit public involvement through the newsletter. This topic will be discussed further at the next meeting.

Next Meeting Date and Time: The Hazard Mitigation Planning Group will meet again on Thursday, September 22, 2011 at 5:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned 5:34 p.m.