CRS Activity 510

Progress Report on Implementation of Credited Plan

Date this Report was Prepared: June 21, 2019

Name of Community: City of West Sacramento

Name of Plan: 2018 Yolo County Multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan

(YCMJHMP)

Date of Adoption of Plan: November 7, 2018

5 Year CRS Expiration Date: November 7, 2023

1. How can a copy of the original plan or area analysis report be obtained:

A copy of the YCMJHMP can be found on the City website and on the Yolo County website at https://www.yolocounty.org/home/showdocument?id=55805.

2. Describe how this evaluation report was prepared and how it was submitted to the governing body, released to the media, and made available to the public:

This evaluation report was prepared by Flood Division staff and presented to the City Council through newsletter communication. The evaluation report was also placed on the City website and noticed in the publication, City iLights, the community on-line newsletter.

3. Provide a description of the implementation of each recommendation or action item in the action plan or area analysis report, including a statement on how the project was implemented or not implemented during the previous year:

As part of the county-wide Mitigation Strategy Action Plan, the YCMJHMP recommended an implementation mechanism that is highly efficient and low cost, incorporating the underlying principles into other county and city plans and activities. General and master plan documents and Emergency Operation Plans are key vehicles for promoting the plan values. Per the YCMJHMP, as recommended by Assembly Bill 2140, each community should adopt (by reference or incorporation) this hazard mitigation plan into the Safety Element of their General Plans, Evidence of Adoption (by formal, certified resolution) shall be provided to CalEMA and FEMA. Also, communities must integrate flood actions identified in the mitigation strategy with the actions and implementation priorities established in existing Flood

Management Programs. In addition, communities must utilize the risk assessment information to update the hazards section in their Emergency Operations Plan.

Accordingly, the City updated its Emergency Operations Plan in December 2016. The City General Plan 2035 was adopted by council on November 16, 2016. The Safety Element functions as a subset of the General Plan, and S-1.3 of the Safety Element – Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan, states: *The City shall coordinate with jurisdictions in Yolo County, as necessary, to maintain the Yolo County Operational Area Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan.* The City Flood Response Plan was finalized 10/13/2017 and added as an annex to the City Emergency Operations Plan.

Public Emergency preparedness education is ongoing. The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) functions year-round. City staff meet quarterly to collaborate and coordinate public education and outreach efforts.

The City continues to participate in a number of hazard mitigation projects, including taking part in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). The City participates in the Community Rating System program (CRS), and currently has a CRS rating of a class 6. Efforts are underway to form a Program for Public Information (PPI), which will hopefully result in improving the City's classification to a 5. The City continues to work on the Climate Action Plan, despite a series of funding challenges. The City continues to enforce local municipal codes, participate in Emergency Operations training, and enforce an aggressive weed abatement program. The City's largest flood control project of all time, the Southport Levee Improvement Project, was substantially completed in 2018, bringing our residents improved flood protection and an overall greater level of safety.

The YCMJHMP was intended to be a living document, flexing with the changes in development. West Sacramento, and all of Yolo County are located directly between the rapidly growing regions of Sacramento and the Bay Area. Yolo County has experienced and will continue to experience tremendous pressures for added residential, commercial and industrial development. The access provided by the Sacramento International Airport, the Union Pacific Railroad, the West Sacramento Port, Interstates 5, 80 and 505, have created constant growth pressures in the county.

4. Discuss why any objectives were not reached or why implementation is behind schedule:

The climate action plan update has been in the work for several years. The climate action plan that previously existed, was a draft version, dated back to 2010. Funding the planning efforts has been a challenge. After nearly a decade of attempts to update the plan, staff has secured a funding source and the Climate Action Plan document is expected Fall of 2019.

The formation of a PPI Committee has been delayed due to a series of workload and staffing challenges.

5. What are the recommendations for new projects or revised recommendations?

The Climate Action Plan update is currently underway. Staff anticipates the update to be completed Summer 2019.

The formation of a PPI Committee is anticipated to occur during the Fall of 2019. The existence of the PPI Committee will hopefully improve the City's Community Rating System score and bring it to a Class 5.