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Ogle County, IL Floodplain Management Plan Annual Progress Report January 7, 2019

Floodplain management planning for the unincorporated areas of Ogle County, IL is a component of the Ogle County, IL Multi-Jurisdiction All Hazards Mitigation Plan (MJAHP). The MJAHP was adopted by the Ogle County Board on April 19, 2011, and may be obtained via the following URL: http://oglecounty.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/04/Plan_OgleCounty.pdf. A hazard mitigation plan is required to be updated at least every five years, and the Ogle County MJAHP is currently in the process of being updated as required. The Ogle County Emergency Management Agency has retained the services of a consultant (American Environmental Corporation, 3700 W. Grand Ave., Suite A, Springfield, Illinois 62711) to assist in the updating of the MJAHP.

This evaluation of Ogle County's floodplain management planning was prepared by reviewing the flood-specific action items set forth in the MJAHP and assessing whether or not said action items have been accomplished, or to what degree they have been accomplished.

The following is a review of each flood-specific action item contained in the MJAHP for the unincorporated areas of Ogle County, IL:

- 1) Action Item/Activity: Enforce the Ogle County Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance in order to protect new construction from flood damage and mitigate flood damages to existing pre-FIRM structures.

Assessment: The Ogle County Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance is actively enforced in the unincorporated areas of Ogle County, IL by the Ogle County Planning & Zoning Department. Development permits are required of all development located in a Special Flood Hazard Area, inspections conducted during the course of projects, and a Use Permit issued upon completion of a project that certifies compliance with the Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance.

- 2) Action Item/Activity: Make the most recent Flood Insurance Rate Maps available at the Ogle County Planning & Zoning Department office to assist the public in considering where to construct new buildings and make County officials aware of these maps and issues related to construction in a floodplain.

Assessment: The Ogle County Planning & Zoning Department serves as the map repository for the Ogle County Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM). The most recent FIRMs are available at the Ogle County Planning & Zoning Department for review and use by the public in planning and development activities, and additional information is also provided to the public including additional FIRM information, flood depth data, and historical flood information. The Planning & Zoning Department also maintains previous FIRM versions.

In addition, digital FIRM data is available to the public via the Ogle County GIS website (the "Beacon map server") at the following URL:

<http://oglecounty.org/departments/gis-department/map-server/>

- 3) Action Item/Activity: Become a participant in the National Flood Insurance Program's Community Rating System.

Assessment: Ogle County, IL was accepted into the Community Rating System in 2015 as a Class 7 community. CRS recognizes and encourages community floodplain management activities that exceed the minimum National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) standards. The floodplain management activities implemented by Ogle County qualify Ogle County property owners for a 15 percent discount in the premium cost of flood insurance for NFIP policies issued or renewed in Special Flood Hazard Areas within unincorporated Ogle County on or after May 1, 2015. Besides the benefit of reduced flood insurance rates to Ogle County property owners, CRS floodplain management activities enhance public safety, reduce damages to property and public infrastructure, avoid economic disruption and losses, reduce human suffering, and protect the environment. Michael Reibel is the Ogle County Floodplain Administrator and CRS Coordinator.

All of the flood-specific action items or activities contained in the MJAHP have been implemented and are continually being implemented. As previously mentioned the MJAHP is in the process of being updated. As this process progresses through the multi-step planning process, new or revised action items may be adopted.

This progress report has been submitted to the Ogle County Board by transmittal to the County Board Chairman, has been transmitted to the local news media via e-mail in the form of a press release, and has been posted on the web site of the Ogle County Planning & Zoning Department.

Respectfully,



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Floodplain Administrator