



Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania – 2013 Hazard Mitigation Plan Update
Appendix H

APPENDIX H

Municipal Capability Assessment Questionnaire

SCHUYLKILL COUNTY 2012 HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE
Hazard Mitigation Capabilities Assessment Questionnaire

Municipality Name _____
 Point of Contact _____ Title _____
 Phone Number _____ Fax number _____
 Email address _____

1. Critical Facilities Information

Have any critical facilities such as police and fire stations, hospitals, schools, etc. been damaged from past hazards? If so, please indicate the hazard event and describe the damage.

Critical Facility	Address	Hazard Event	Damage Description

Do any critical facilities fall within flood or other hazard areas? If so, please indicate the type of facility and location.

Critical Facility	Location

2. Existing Plans and Ordinances

Do your plans and ordinances contain the following policies? If yes, please indicate the name of the plan or ordinance.

Policy in Floodplain Ordinance	Yes/No	Additional Notes
Is there a freeboard requirement? If yes, how many feet?		
Is there a policy preventing new development or substantial improvements to structures in floodplains?		
Is there a regulation prohibiting fill in the floodplain?		
Is there a requirement that critical facilities be protected from higher flood levels?		
Is there a policy encouraging cluster development near floodplains, wetlands?		
Are there other policies that need to be highlighted?		
Policy in Stormwater Management Ordinance		
Does your municipality have an Act 167 Stormwater Management Plan/Ordinance?		
If not under an Act 167 Plan, does your municipality have a separate stormwater ordinance?		
Are there stormwater management requirements in your Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance?		
Do your stormwater management regulations require specified release rates for peak rate control? (e.g. Act 167 stormwater management districts, 75% release rate, etc.)		
Do your stormwater management regulations provide for emergency spillway design specifications for detention basins/stormwater control facilities?		

3. Emergency Services

What types of basic response services does your municipality have in place (e.g. municipal police force or county police; volunteer fire department, local emergency management coordinator, etc.).

4. Mitigation Projects

Has your municipality completed any mitigation projects in the past? If so, please indicate the type of project, location, and year of completion.

Mitigation Projects	Yes/No	Location	Year Completed
Property Protection			
Buy-outs (acquisition and relocation)			
Elevation of structures			
Floodproofing			
Berms/floodwalls			
Structural Projects			
Levees			
Retrofit projects for critical facility structures			
Retention/detention basins			
Emergency Services			
Hazard warning (sirens, reverse 911)			
Hazard response (EOC activation, evacuation orders)			
Post disaster recovery (clearing streets, debris removal)			
Critical Facilities Protection (power stations, water/sewer facilities, police, fire, EMS, hospitals)			
Natural Resource Projects			
Wetlands protection			
Erosion and sedimentation control			
Public Outreach			
Outreach projects (newsletters, brochures)			
Environmental education programs			
Promotion of flood insurance sales			

5. Staff Capabilities and Building Data

Provide information on your municipality's staff capabilities with respect to the following:

Staff	Yes/No	Department
Floodplain Administrator		
Building Official/Inspector		
Site Plan Reviewer		
Surveyor		
GIS Specialist		

6. Training

Has your staff had any training in the following?

Training	Yes/No	Staff Position
GIS		
Floodplain management/NFIP regulations		
Building inspection/code administration		

7. Mitigation Capabilities

List at least one or two mitigation projects that your community wishes to undertake in the near future and provide a brief explanation of the same. Refer to question 3 for ideas on types of mitigation projects.

Mitigation Project	Project Details