



## **SECTION 8 PLAN ADOPTION**

By adopting the Westmoreland County Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP), local governing bodies demonstrate their commitment to fulfill the mitigation goals and objectives outlined in the plan. Adoption of the HMP by Westmoreland County and each participating jurisdiction legitimizes the HMP and authorizes responsible agencies to execute their responsibilities.

Each participating jurisdiction in Westmoreland County will continue with formal adoption proceedings upon conditional approval of this HMP from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), known as “Approval Pending Adoption (APA)”. Each participating jurisdiction understands that conditional approval of the HMP will be provided for those municipalities that meet the planning requirements with the exception of the adoption requirement, as stated above.

Following adoption or formal action on the HMP, each participating jurisdiction must submit a copy of the resolution or other legal instrument showing formal adoption (acceptance) of the HMP to the Westmoreland County Hazard Mitigation Coordinator. Westmoreland County will forward the executed resolutions to the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (PEMA), who will subsequently forward the resolutions to FEMA. Each participating jurisdiction understands that FEMA will transmit acknowledgement of verification of formal HMP adoption and the official approval of the HMP to the Hazard Mitigation Coordinator. Resolutions reflecting the formal adoption of this HMP by the County and participating jurisdictions are included in Appendix F of this HMP. A sample resolution to be used by the County and its jurisdictions is provided on the following pages in Section 8.



## Westmoreland County Hazard Mitigation Plan County Adoption Resolution

Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania

**WHEREAS**, the municipalities of Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, are most vulnerable to natural and human-made hazards, which may result in loss of life and property, economic hardship, and threats to public health and safety, and

**WHEREAS**, Section 322 of the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (DMA 2000) requires state and local governments to develop and submit for approval to the President a mitigation plan that outlines processes for identifying their respective natural hazards, risks, and vulnerabilities, and

**WHEREAS**, Westmoreland County acknowledges the requirement of Section 322 of DMA 2000 to have an approved Hazard Mitigation Plan as a prerequisite to receiving post-disaster Hazard Mitigation Grant Program funds, and

**WHEREAS**, the Westmoreland County Hazard Mitigation Plan has been developed by Westmoreland County Emergency Management Agency in cooperation with other County departments, local municipal officials, and the citizens of Westmoreland County, and

**WHEREAS**, a public involvement process consistent with the requirements of DMA 2000 was conducted to develop the Westmoreland County Hazard Mitigation Plan, and

**WHEREAS**, the Westmoreland County Hazard Mitigation Plan recommends mitigation activities that will reduce losses to life and property affected by both natural and human-made hazards that face the County and its municipal governments,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the governing body for the County of Westmoreland that:

- The 2020 Westmoreland County Hazard Mitigation Plan is hereby adopted as the official Hazard Mitigation Plan of the County, and
- The respective officials and agencies of Westmoreland County identified in the implementation strategy of the 2020 Westmoreland County Hazard Mitigation Plan are hereby directed to execute the recommended activities assigned to them.

**ADOPTED**, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020

**ATTEST:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**WESTMORELAND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

By \_\_\_\_\_

By \_\_\_\_\_

By \_\_\_\_\_



## Westmoreland County Hazard Mitigation Plan Municipal Adoption Resolution

Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_  
< Municipality Name >, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania

**WHEREAS**, the <Municipality Name>, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, is most vulnerable to natural and human-made hazards, which may result in loss of life and property, economic hardship, and threats to public health and safety, and

**WHEREAS**, Section 322 of the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (DMA 2000) requires state and local governments to develop and submit for approval to the President a mitigation plan that outlines processes for identifying their respective natural hazards, risks, and vulnerabilities, and

**WHEREAS**, the <Municipality Name> acknowledges the requirement of Section 322 of DMA 2000 to have an approved Hazard Mitigation Plan as a prerequisite to receiving post-disaster Hazard Mitigation Grant Program funds, and

**WHEREAS**, the Westmoreland County Hazard Mitigation Plan has been developed by Westmoreland County Emergency Management Agency in cooperation with other County departments, and officials and citizens of <Municipality Name>, and

**WHEREAS**, a public involvement process consistent with the requirements of DMA 2000 was conducted to develop the Westmoreland County Hazard Mitigation Plan, and

**WHEREAS**, the Westmoreland County Hazard Mitigation Plan recommends mitigation activities that will reduce losses to life and property affected by both natural and human-made hazards that face the County and its municipal governments,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the governing body for the <Municipality Name>:

- The 2020 Westmoreland County Hazard Mitigation Plan is hereby adopted as the official Hazard Mitigation Plan of the <Municipality Name>, and
- The respective officials and agencies identified in the implementation strategy of the 2020 Westmoreland County Hazard Mitigation Plan are hereby directed to execute the recommended activities assigned to them.

**ADOPTED**, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020

**ATTEST:**

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**< MUNICIPALITY NAME > REPRESENTATIVES**

By \_\_\_\_\_

By \_\_\_\_\_

By \_\_\_\_\_