



ENCUESTA PARA LA ACTUALIZACIÓN DEL PLAN DE MITIGACIÓN DE RIESGOS DEL CONDADO DE SAN JACINTO- 2024 Incluida City of Coldspring, Point Blank, y Shepherd

Survey Questions:

* 1. Por favor proporcionar donde vive

- Condado de San Jacinto
- Ciudad de Coldspring
- Ciudad de Point Blank
- Ciudad de Shepherd

Otro (por favor especifica)

2. Seleccione el peligro natural que considere que representa la mayor amenaza para usted, su negocio y/o su comunidad. (Por favor marque sólo uno.)

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| <input type="radio"/> Inundaciones | <input type="radio"/> Granizada |
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| <input type="radio"/> Toronado | <input type="radio"/> Tormentas |
| <input type="radio"/> Sequia | <input type="radio"/> Tormentas Invernales Severas |
| <input type="radio"/> Fallo de la Presa | <input type="radio"/> Focas |
| <input type="radio"/> Suelos Expansivos | <input type="radio"/> Tormenta de Viento |
| <input type="radio"/> Calor Extremo | <input type="radio"/> Terremoto |
| <input type="radio"/> Otro (por favor especifica) | |

3. Seleccione el peligro natural que cree que es la segunda amenaza mas importante para usted, su empresa y/o su comunidad. (Marque solo uno).

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| <input type="radio"/> Otro (por favor especifica) | |

4. Mientras vivía en el condado de Polk, ¿ha experimentado un desastre? (Por favor marque todos los que apliquen.)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Suelos Expansivos | <input type="checkbox"/> Terremoto |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Calor Extremo | <input type="checkbox"/> None |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Granizada | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Otro (por favor especifica) | |

5. Cuáles de las siguientes situaciones es probable que ocurran en su área al menos una vez en su vida? (Por favor marque todos los que apliquen.)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Granizada | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Otro (por favor especifica) | |

6. Mi hogar tiene un plan en caso de un desastre como inundación, toronado, etc.

- Sí, hemos practicado el plan.
- Sí, pero no hemos practicado el plan.
- No, pero sabemos que hacer.
- No, nosotros no tenemos idea de que hacer.

7. Está su casa ubicada en una llanura aluvial?

- Sí
- No
- No Sé

8. Tiene seguro contra inundaciones?

- Sí
- No
- No Sé

9. Si no tiene seguro contra inundaciones, ¿por qué no?

- Nunca lo consideré
- No es necesario porque estoy o protegido de otra manera
- Demasiado caro
- No ubicado en una llanura aluvial

10. Que tan preocupado está usted por la posibilidad de que usted o su comunidad se vean afectados por un desastre?

- Extremadamente preocupado
- Algo preocupado
- No preocupado

11. Ha tomado alguna medida para que su hogar, negocio y/o comunidad sean más resistentes a los peligros?

- Sí
- No

12. Si responde "Sí," describa la acción que ha tomado:

13. Esta interesado en hacer que su hogar, negocio y/o comunidad sean mas resistentes a los peligros?

- Sí
- No

14.Cuál es la manera mas efectiva para que usted reciba informacion sobre como hacer que su hogar, negocio y/o comunidad sean mas resistentes a los peligros?

- Periódico
- Televisión
- Radio
- Internet
- Otro (por favor especifica)
- Correo
- Reuniones Públicas
- Medios de comunicación social

15. Cuál de las siguientes sería la mejor manera de alertarlo a usted y a su hogar sobre un desastre inminente?

- Reportaje Televisivo
- Internet (sitio web del condado o ciudad)
- Texto o correo electrónico
- Otro (por favor especifique)
- Facebook / Twitter / o otras redes sociales
- Todo lo anterior

16. Cuál de las siguientes actividades de mitigación cree que su gobierno local debería emplear para reducir o eliminar el riesgo de daños futuros en su vecindario y/o comunidad?

(Por favor marque todos los que apliquen.)

- Modernizar y fortalecer instalaciones esenciales como policía, bomberos, servicios médicos de emergencia, hospitales, escuelas, etc.
- Reemplazar puentes y caminos inadecuados o vulnerables.
- Modernizar la infraestructura, como elevar las carreteras y mejorar los sistemas de drenaje.
- Trabajar en la mejora de la resistencia a daños de los servicios públicos (electricidad, comunicaciones,
- Instalaciones de agua/aguas residuales, etc.
- Instalar o mejorar estructuras protectoras como muros contra inundaciones, diques o habitaciones seguras individuales/comunitarias.
- Otro (por favor especifica)
- Comprar propiedades propensas a inundaciones y mantenerlas como espacios abiertos.
- Fortalecer códigos, ordenanzas y planes para exigir estándares más altos de gestión de riesgos.
- Informar a los propietarios sobre las formas en que pueden mitigar los daños a sus propiedades.
- Ayudar a los propietarios vulnerables a obtener fondos para mitigar los impactos en sus propiedades.
- Ninguno

17. Hay otras cuestiones relacionadas con la reducción del riesgo y las pérdidas asociadas con peligros o desastres en la comunidad que considere importantes?

18. *Prevención de Riesgos* es cualquier acción administrativa o regulatoria que influya en la forma en que se urbanizan los terrenos y se construyen los edificios. Algunos ejemplos incluyen planificación y zonificación, códigos de construcción, prevención de espacios abiertos y regulación de llanuras aluviales. ¿Qué importancia cree que es para su comunidad perseguir la prevención de peligros?

- Muy importante
- Algo importante
- No importante

19. La reducción de los riesgos comunitarios derivados de amenazas también puede incluir la protección de la propiedad. Esto implica acciones que pueden modificar los edificios existentes para protegerlos de un peligro o eliminarlos del área de peligro. Los ejemplos incluyen adquisición, reubicación, elevaciones, modernizaciones estructurales y contraventanas contra tormentas. ¿Qué importancia tiene que su comunidad busque la protección de la propiedad?

- Muy Importante
- Algo importante
- No importante

20. La reducción de los riesgos comunitarios derivados de las amenazas también puede incluir la protección de los recursos naturales. Este tipo de protección, además de minimizar las pérdidas por riesgos, preserva o restaura las funciones de los sistemas naturales. Algunos ejemplos incluyen la protección de llanuras aluviales, la preservación del hábitat, la estabilización de pendientes, las zonas de amortiguamiento ribereñas y la gestión forestal. ¿Qué importancia tiene que su comunidad busque la protección de los recursos naturales?

- Muy Importante
- Algo Importante
- No Importante

21. Los proyectos estructurales también pueden ayudar a reducir los peligros. Estas acciones tienen como objetivo disminuir el impacto de un peligro modificando su progresión natural. Los ejemplos incluyen presas, diques, cuencas de detención/retención, modificaciones de canales, muros de contención y alcantarillas pluviales. ¿Qué importancia tiene que su comunidad realice proyectos estructurales?

- Muy Importante
- Algo Importante
- No Importante

22. Los Servicios de Emergencia son acciones que protegen a las personas y los bienes durante e inmediatamente después de un evento peligroso. Algunos ejemplos incluyen sistemas de alerta, planificación de evacuación, planificación de emergencias, capacitación en respuesta a emergencias y protección adicional de instalaciones/sistemas de emergencia críticos. ¿Qué importancia tiene que su comunidad busque servicios de emergencia?

- Muy Importante
- Algo Importante
- No Importante

23. La Educación y la Concientización públicas son acciones para informar a los ciudadanos sobre los peligros y las técnicas que pueden utilizar para protegerse a sí mismos y a sus bienes. Los ejemplos incluyen proyectos de extensión, programas educativos escolares, materiales de biblioteca y eventos de demostración. ¿Qué importancia tiene que su comunidad busque educación y concientización públicas?

- Muy Importante
- Algo Importante
- No Importante

24. Si desea recibir notificaciones sobre las próximas reuniones públicas para la Actualización del Plan de Mitigación de Riesgos del Condado de San Jacinto, deje su nombre y dirección de correo electrónico a continuación.

¡Gracias por su tiempo y valioso aporte!



Survey Questions:

* 1. Please tell us where you live

- Unincorporated San Jacinto County
- City of Coldspring
- City of Point Blank
- City of Shepherd

Other (please specify)

2. Please select the hazard you think is the **highest threat** to you, your business and/or your community. (Please check only one)

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| <input type="radio"/> Floods | <input type="radio"/> Hailstorm |
| <input type="radio"/> Wildfire | <input type="radio"/> Hurricane |
| <input type="radio"/> Tornado | <input type="radio"/> Thunderstorms |
| <input type="radio"/> Drought | <input type="radio"/> Severe winter storms |
| <input type="radio"/> Dam failure | <input type="radio"/> Lightning |
| <input type="radio"/> Expansive soils | <input type="radio"/> Windstorm |
| <input type="radio"/> Extreme heat | <input type="radio"/> Earthquake |
| <input type="radio"/> Other (please specify) | |

3. Please select the hazard you think is the **second highest threat** to you, your business and/or your community. (Please check only one)

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| <input type="radio"/> Tornado | <input type="radio"/> Thunderstorms |
| <input type="radio"/> Drought | <input type="radio"/> Severe winter storms |
| <input type="radio"/> Dam failure | <input type="radio"/> Windstorms |
| <input type="radio"/> Expansive soil | <input type="radio"/> Lightning |
| <input type="radio"/> Extreme heat | <input type="radio"/> Earthquake |
| <input type="radio"/> Other (please specify) | |

4. While living here in San Jacinto County, have you experienced a disaster? (please check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Wildfire | <input type="checkbox"/> Thunderstorms |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Dam failure | <input type="checkbox"/> Lightning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Expansive soils | <input type="checkbox"/> Earthquake |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Extreme heat | <input type="checkbox"/> None |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hailstorm | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) | |

5. Which of the following are likely to occur in your area at least *once* in your lifetime? (please check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Wildfire | <input type="checkbox"/> Thunderstorms |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Expansive soils | <input type="checkbox"/> Earthquake |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Extreme heat | <input type="checkbox"/> None |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hailstorm | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) | |

6. My household has a plan in the event of a disaster such as a flood, tornado, etc.

- Yes, we have practiced the plan
- Yes, we but we have not practiced the plan
- No, but we kind of know what to do
- No, we have no idea what to do

7. Is your home located in a floodplain?

- Yes
- No
- I Don't Know

8. Do you have flood insurance?

- Yes
- No
- I Don't Know

9. If you do not have flood insurance, why not?

- Never really considered it
- Not necessary because I'm elevated or otherwise protected
- Too expensive
- Not located in floodplain

10. How concerned are you about the possibility of you or your community being impacted by a disaster?

- Extremely concerned
- Somewhat concerned
- Not concerned

11. Have you taken any actions to make your home, business and/or community more resistant to hazards?

- Yes
- No

12. If "Yes", please described the action you have taken:

13. Are you interested in making your home, business and/or community more resistant to hazards?

- Yes
- No

14. What is the most effective way for you to receive information about how to make your home, business and/or community more resistant to hazards?

- Newspaper
- Television
- Radio
- Other (please specify)
- Internet
- Mail
- Public workshops/meetings

15. Which of the following would be the best way to alert you and your household to an imminent disaster?

- TV Report
- Internet / (county or city website)
- text or e-mail
- Other (please specify)
- Facebook / Twitter / Or other social media
- All of the Above

16. Which of the following mitigation activities do you believe your local government should employ to reduce or eliminate the risk of future hazard damages in your neighborhood and/or community. (Please check all that apply)

- Retrofit and strengthen essential facilities such as police, fire, emergency medical services, hospitals, schools, etc.
- Replace inadequate or vulnerable bridges and roads.
- Retrofit infrastructure, such as elevating roadways and improving drainage systems.
- Work on improving the damage resistance of utilities (electricity, communications, water / wastewater facilities, etc.).
- Install or improve protective structures, such as floodwalls and levees or individual/community saferooms.
- Buyout flood prone properties and maintain as open-space.
- Other (please specify)
- Strengthen codes, ordinances, and plans to require higher hazard risk management standards.
- Provide better information about hazard risk and high-hazard areas.
- Inform property owners of ways they can mitigate damage to their properties.
- Assist vulnerable property owners with securing funding to mitigate impacts to their property(s).
- None

17. Are there any other issues regarding the reduction of risk and loss associated with hazards or disasters in the community that you think are important?

18. *Prevention of Hazards* is any administrative or regulatory action that influences the way land is developed and buildings are built. Some examples include planning and zoning, building codes, open space prevention, and flood plain regulation. *Please rank how important you believe it is for your community to pursue the prevention of hazards .*

- Very Important
- Somewhat important
- Not important

19. Reducing community risks from hazards can also include *property protection*. This involves actions that involve the modification of existing buildings to protect them from a hazard or removal from the hazard area. Examples include acquisition, relocation, elevations, structural retrofits and storm shutters. *How important is it to you that your community should pursue property protection?*

- Very Important
- Somewhat Important
- Not Important

20. Reducing community risks from hazards can also include *natural resource protection*. This kind of protection is in addition to minimizing hazard losses, preserve or restoring the functions of natural systems. Some examples include flood plain protection, habitat preservation, slope stabilization, riparian buffers and forest management. *Do you believe this is important for your community to pursue? Please rank below.*

- Very Important
- Somewhat Important
- Not Important

21. *Structural Projects* can also help to reduce hazards. These actions are intended to lessen the impact of a hazard by modifying the natural progression of the hazard. Examples include dams, levees, seawalls, detention/retention basins, channel modifications, retaining walls and storm sewers. *Do you believe this is important for your community to pursue? Please rank below.*

- Very Important
- Somewhat Important
- Not Important

22. *Emergency Services* are actions that protect people and property during and immediately after a hazard event. Some examples include warning systems, evacuation planning, emergency planning, emergency response training and protection of critical emergency facilities/system. *Do you believe this is important for your community to pursue? Please rank below.*

- Very Important
- Somewhat Important
- Not Important

23. *Public Education and Awareness* are actions to inform citizens about hazards and the techniques they can use to protect themselves and their property. Examples include outreach projects, school education programs, library materials and demonstration events. *Do you believe this is important for your community to pursue? Please rank below.*

- Very Important
- Somewhat Important
- Not Important

24. If you would like to be notified of upcoming public meetings for the San Jacinto County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update, please leave your name and email below. Thank you for your time!

Name:

25. e-mail:

HARDCOPY SURVEYS MUST BE RETURNED TO THE SAN JACINTO COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AT 51 E. PINE AVENUE, COLDSRING, TX 77331, or oem@san-jac.us.

SAN JACINTO COUNTY 2024 HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

Includes Coldspring, Point Bland, and Shepherd



Come learn about the Hazard Mitigation Plan and make your voice heard! There will be interactive stations where you can provide valuable feedback.

ALSO – Use this QR code to take an important survey.



PUBLIC MEETING

Wednesday,

July 17

6 pm to 7:30 pm

Location:

Coldspring Community
Center located at 101 E.

Cedar Avenue,
Coldspring, TX 77331

For more information, contact the San Jacinto County Emergency Management office, 936-653-3395 or oem@san-jac.us

QR Code and URL for Survey/English Version

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/6XZH85B>



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Subject: Funding Workshop

Attachments: Save the Date - ETX On Ramp to Funding.pdf

Please see the attached flyer for a FREE funding workshop from our partners at TEEX. The event is free to attend, and participants will have the opportunity to talk to engineers, auditors, operations managers, and staff about how to get ready for the next SRF funding cycle with TWDB. Lunch will be provided, and travel stipends will be available if folks need some financial support getting to Lufkin.

Please feel free to share with your partners accordingly.

Have a great weekend.

Jon Clingaman, Jr., LP
District Chief, District 14 - Lufkin
Texas Division of Emergency Management
936-208-3270



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SAVE THE DATE

AUGUST 29TH, 2024 - 12:00 PM CDT
LUFKIN, TEXAS



East Texas On Ramp to Funding Workshop

Water Finance Exchange (WFX), in collaboration with the Angelina-Neches River Authority (ANRA) and the Deep East Texas Council of Governments (DETCOG), invites you to join us for an On-Ramp to Funding Workshop in Lufkin, TX on Thursday, August 29th, 2024.

This workshop brings together technical assistance providers, auditors, and professional engineers in support of communities' water and wastewater infrastructure challenges. We will discuss the process of applying for the upcoming state revolving fund (SRF) cycle of water/wastewater funding, connect communities to resources, and begin strategizing solutions for systems.

Community leaders and water & wastewater system leaders are encouraged to attend. This workshop is **FREE** to attend, and lunch will be provided.

WHEN: 12:00 P.M. – 4:00 PM on August 29th, 2024

WHERE: DETCOG office at [1405 Kurth Drive, Lufkin, TX 75904](#)

[**REGISTER HERE**](#)

If you have any questions, please reach out to Lia Clark at lclark@waterfx.org. We hope to see you there!



ANGELINA & NECHES RIVER AUTHORITY

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SPEAKER BIOS

Jennifer Walker

Director, Texas Coast and Water Program, National Wildlife Federation

Jennifer Walker is the Director of the Texas Coast and Water Program at National Wildlife Federation. She focuses on water policy with an emphasis on water planning, infrastructure funding, and urban water management. She has helped develop and inform strategic action by utilizing scientific and technical expertise, engaging stakeholders, and approaching resource management challenges with a solutions-oriented perspective. In 2021, she was appointed by the Texas Water Development Board to represent Environmental Interests on the Texas Water Conservation Advisory Council and she serves as Chair of Austin's Water Forward Task Force. Jennifer has a BS in Ecology, Evolution and Conservation Biology from the University of Texas at Austin.

Buzz Pishkur

Senior Advisor, Water Finance Exchange

Mr. Pishkur is currently the Senior Planning and Operations consultant for the City of Amarillo. He formerly served as Director of Utilities for the City of Arlington, Texas, a municipal water and wastewater provider serving over 375,000 customers. He has also served as the Interim Director of Water Utilities for the City of Amarillo from June 2022-October 2022 and as the interim Public Works Director for Amarillo from August 2023- December of 2023. He provides expert consultations for utility projects and industry strategic initiatives across the country as an independent contractor.

Donovan Burton

Vice President of Water Resources and Governmental Relations, San Antonio Water System

As Vice President of Water Resources & Governmental Relations, Donovan Burton develops, manages and maintains an abundant water supply for SAWS. He also oversees one of the nation's largest water public-private partnership (P3) efforts — the Vista Ridge regional water supply project. Additionally, he continues to lead the regional, state and federal governmental relations and policy efforts for the utility. Burton's team ensures environmental resource protection and compliance efforts, as well as the water quality requirements for the system.

Hattie Miller

General Manager, Starrville Water Supply Corporation

Hattie Miller has been the General Manager at Starrville Water Supply Corporation since she created it in 1998. The system serves more than 350 customers and two large commercial customers in Smith County. She has overseen the system's conversion to radio meters, creation of GIS maps, development of a second water source, and more, demonstrating how small water systems can still tackle some of the largest challenges water systems face today.

Lia Clark (Moderator)

Community Engagement Manager, Water Finance Exchange

Ms. Clark has experience as a water resource engineer on both domestic and international community-centered water, wastewater, and stormwater projects. She has conducted sustainable water resource management projects with Indigenous communities in Peru and rural communities in El Salvador. Most recently she worked with over 50 communities in the United States at Community Engineering Corps, connecting community leaders with the tools and expertise they needed to receive vital infrastructure funding. In addition to her technical background, she brings a decade of experience in participatory research, communications, and public outreach on the necessity of water, sanitation, and hygiene infrastructure for all.