

# Guidance: Incorporating Your Local Annex into Your POCD



As of August 2024, updates to your town's Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD) must incorporate elements of hazard mitigation, as required by FEMA. During the regional referral process, we will review if your POCD meets this requirement. To assist you, we've provided the following guidance on how to incorporate hazard mitigation into your next plan update.

## Recommended Approach

Include a chapter or section dedicated to hazard mitigation and climate change that does all of the following:

1. Directly references your approved local annex.
2. Reviews hazards and vulnerabilities/risks.
3. Includes the [14 overarching HMCAP goals](#).
4. Includes or summarizes types of projects listed in your local annex.
5. Discusses implementation efforts.

## Acceptable Minimal Approach

Somewhere in your POCD, include both:

1. A summary of your local annex with either a link to the annex or place the full annex in an appendix.
2. List of some mitigation goals or actions in the POCD.

[View your local annex and the regional HMCAP here.](#)

## QUESTIONS?

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