

PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Hemet Unified School District is currently involved in the Local Hazard Mitigation Planning (LHMP) process in concert with the Riverside County Office of Emergency Services. The LHMP process analyzes the school district's risk from natural hazards, coordinates available resources, and implements actions to reduce or eliminate risks. This updating process is designed to guide risk reduction activities before an event; it is also reviewed and amended regularly, so as not to overlook opportunities for vulnerability reduction (mitigation).

The LHMP process is described in the [Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000](#) (DMA 2000) which amended the Stafford Act's requirements regarding eligibility to receive certain mitigation grant funding. The regulations containing requirements for a local hazard mitigation plan can be found in [44 Code of Federal Regulations 201.6](#).

School Districts, while part of the community, are defined as local governments and required to have an approved plan - or demonstrate their participation as a separate government entity in another local government's approved mitigation plan - in order to receive project grants under HMGP or PDM. School districts do not fall under the definition of private nonprofit organizations [44 CFR 206.2(a)(19)].

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