



Office of the City Manager

October 2, 2019

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: *DWR* City Manager Dee Williams-Ridley

Subject: Final Draft Posted: 2019 Update to the City's  
Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP)

The Final Draft of the City's 2019 Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP) update has been posted on the City's website ([www.CityofBerkeley.info/Mitigation](http://www.CityofBerkeley.info/Mitigation)) and at City libraries. Staff will present the Final Draft Plan at the following meetings, at which community members are invited to provide their feedback:

- 1) October 23, 2019, Disaster and Fire Safety Commission (DFSC)
- 2) November 6, 2019, Planning Commission (First Public Hearing)
- 3) December 10, 2019 City Council Meeting (Second Public Hearing)

Because the LHMP will be an amendment to the City's General Plan, the Planning Commission must make a recommendation to Council on the Final Draft Plan at the Commission's November 6 meeting. This meeting will serve as the First Public Hearing for the 2019 LHMP.

This is the second phase of the LHMP public review process. From December 18, 2018 until February 28, 2019, the First Draft Plan was posted on the City website and at City libraries for review and comment by the Berkeley community. Staff presented the First Draft Plan at 11 commission meetings and all commissions were invited to provide feedback on the document. In total, the City received 29 letters with 189 questions and comments on the First Draft Plan. *Public Comments and Staff Responses: First Draft 2014 Local Hazard Mitigation Plan* documents this process and is available at [www.CityofBerkeley.info/Mitigation](http://www.CityofBerkeley.info/Mitigation). Also available at the website is the complete *Summary of Changes to the City of Berkeley's First Draft 2019 Local Hazard Mitigation Plan*.

Staff edited the First Draft Plan based on community feedback, and produced the 2019 Final Draft Plan. The Final Draft Plan has been reviewed by, and received requisite approvals from:

- California Board of Forestry and Fire Protection
- California Governor's Office of Emergency Services
- Federal Emergency Management Agency

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The Final Draft 2019 LHMP must be adopted by the City Council before it goes into effect. Therefore staff will bring the document through the adoption process this fall, first soliciting recommendations to Council from the DFSC and Planning Commission, and then requesting adoption at the City Council's December 10 meeting.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

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