

MITIGATION STRATEGY

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Mitigation Goals

Based on the results of the risk and capability assessments, the planning team developed a mitigation strategy for the Plan Update utilizing the results of both assessments as well as reviewing the goals and objectives that were included in the 2005 Plan.

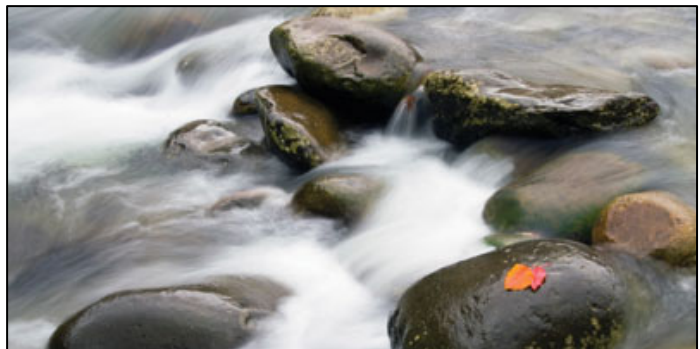
At the Mitigation Workshops in March 2010, planning team members reviewed the mitigation strategy from the 2005 Plan. The consensus among all members present was that the strategy developed for the 2005 Plan should remain, as it identified overall improvements to be sought in the Plan Update. However, the order and priority of the goals and objectives were reorganized as depicted in this section.

Goal 1

Protect public health and safety.

Objective 1.1

Advise the public about health and safety precautions to guard against injury and loss of life from hazards.



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Objective 1.2

Maximize the utilization of the latest technology to provide adequate warning, communication and mitigation of hazard events.

Objective 1.3

Reduce the danger to, and enhance protection of, high risk areas during hazard events.

Objective 1.4

Protect critical facilities and services.

Goal 2

Increase the coordination and cooperation among intergovernmental entities in carrying out hazard mitigation.

Objective 2.1

Promote partnerships among the counties, cities and the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority.

Objective 2.2

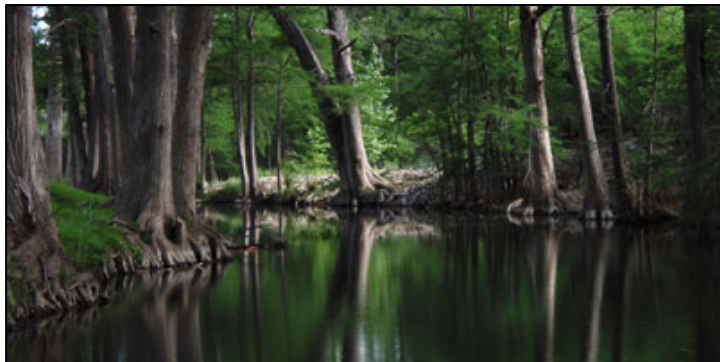
Facilitate communication and coordination within and among Federal, State and local governments and the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority in carrying out floodplain management and hazard mitigation.

Goal 3

Build the capability for carrying out hazard mitigation activities.

Objective 3.1

Build and support partnerships to help communities become less vulnerable to hazards.



Objective 3.2

Maximize the use of Federal, State and private sector funding for hazard mitigation.

Objective 3.3

Promote adequate staffing, training and expertise for carrying out hazard mitigation.

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Goal 4

Heighten public awareness and support for hazard mitigation.

Objective 4.1

Increase public understanding of the full range of natural and man-made hazards they face.

Objective 4.2

Educate the public on actions they can take to prevent or reduce the loss of life or property from all hazards.

Objective 4.3

Publicize and encourage the adoption of appropriate hazard mitigation measures.

Goal 5

Protect existing and new properties.

Objective 5.1

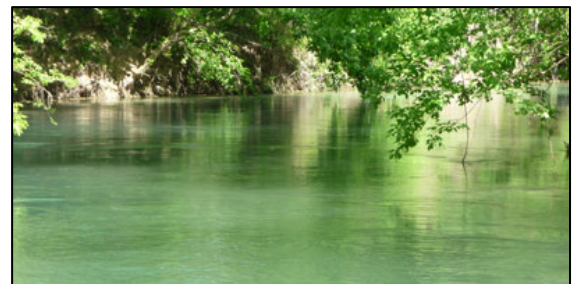
Reduce repetitive losses to the National Flood Insurance Program.

Objective 5.2

Protect existing buildings and public infrastructure from hazards.

Objective 5.3

Promote measures to ensure that development will not put people in harm's way or increase threats to existing properties.



Objective 5.4

Maximize insurance coverage to provide financial protection against hazard events.

Goal 6

Promote growth in a sustainable manner.

Objective 6.1

Incorporate hazard mitigation into long-range planning, budgeting and development activities.

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Objective 6.2

Promote beneficial uses of hazardous areas while expanding open space and recreational opportunities.

Objective 6.3

Prevent creation of future hazards to life and property.