

Public Service Announcement

Bradford County Emergency Management Agency is undertaking the up-dating and re-writing of our county Hazard Mitigation Plan. Hazard Mitigation is any action taken to reduce or eliminate the long term risk to human life and property from hazards. The Stafford Act (Federal legislation authorizing the Federal Government to assist State and Local governments in times of emergency) requires that each state have an approved Hazard Mitigation Plan to qualify for various types of assistance. The Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 amended the Stafford Act and requires all state and local governments to develop a Hazard Mitigation Plan in order to receive pre and post-disaster federal mitigation funds. This project started on June 26, 2013 and is expected to be completed by September of 2014. During the project period, communities and the public can find project progress and documents posted on the Bradford County web page, and can make comment to the Bradford County Emergency Management Office, Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee by contacting the EMA at 570-265-5022. Through this process, the ultimate goal is to preserve the life, health and safety of the residents of Bradford County. By participating in the process of this up-date, Bradford County's risks will be assessed and vulnerable areas will be identified so that communities are less susceptible to disaster. Mitigation helps the community establish and focus on long-term goals such as economic development, redevelopment, environmental preservation, sustainability, and public safety.