

Brookline Local Hazard Mitigation Plan Public Survey

The Town of Brookline and the Windham Regional Commission (WRC) are working together to update the Town's Local Hazard Mitigation Plan and would like your input. This short survey will allow the working group to find out what you think the biggest natural hazards are to the town. Your answers will help the working group identify, analyze and develop mitigation strategies to potential hazards and to lessen the impacts of these hazards in the future.

* Indicates required question

1. How long have you lived in or owned a business or property in Brookline? *

Mark only one oval.

- Less than a year
- One to five years
- More than five years

2. What is your age range?

Mark only one oval.

- Under 18
- 18-30
- 31-40
- 41-50
- 51-60
- 61-70
- 71 and older

3. If you live in Brookline, do you own or rent the home you live in?

Mark only one oval.

- Rent
- Own
- Not applicable

4. Is your home or business property located in a designated floodplain? *

Mark only one oval.

- Yes
- No *Skip to question 7*
- I don't know *Skip to question 7*

Flood Insurance

5. Do you have flood insurance? *

Mark only one oval.

- Yes *Skip to question 7*
- No
- I don't know *Skip to question 7*

Primary Reason for No Flood Insurance

6. What is the primary reason you do not have flood insurance?

Mark only one oval.

- Too expensive
- I do not know how to purchase flood insurance
- I have tried to purchase it, but was unsuccessful
- Other: _____

Natural Hazards

7. Which of the following natural hazards have you or someone you know experienced while living or doing business in Newfane? (select all that apply)

Check all that apply.

- Drought
- Fluvial Erosion (bank erosion along rivers and streams)
- Inundation Flooding (when water sits on the land)
- Ice
- Deep/Heavy Snow
- Strong Wind
- Severe Cold
- Severe Heat
- Landslides
- Wildfire
- Invasive Species (Emerald Ash Borer, Woolly Adelgid, etc.)
- Earthquake
- Infectious Disease Outbreak
- Hail

8. What are the top three natural hazards that you feel will impact you the most in the next five years? *

Check all that apply.

- Drought
- Fluvial Erosion
- Inundation Flooding
- Ice
- Deep/Heavy Snow
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9. What actions have you taken to reduce risk for your house / apartment / property / business for potential disasters? (Select all that apply) *

Check all that apply.

- Purchased homeowners / renters insurance policies
- Purchased Flood Insurance
- Floodproofing (elevated furnace, water heaters, electric panels)
- Installed retrofits such as high impact windows or doors, fire resistant siding, roofing or winter screens, storm shelters, etc.
- Removed dead / dying trees or vegetation
- Obtained and placed fire extinguisher(s) in an easily accessible location
- Alternative power, heat and/or water supply
- None of the above
- Other: _____

10. If you have not taken action to reduce risk, what are the barriers? (Skip if you have taken actions.)

Mark only one oval.

- Cost
- Don't know what I can do to reduce risks from natural hazards
- Other: _____

11. What cost effective measures should the Town take to lessen damage from disasters (natural and man-made)? (select all that apply)

Check all that apply.

- Culvert and road upgrades
- Remove structures in areas known to have frequent flooding
- Improve natural stormwater management
- Protect vegetation adjacent to surface waters (rivers, streams, ponds, etc.)
- Provide an emergency shelter during power outages
- Provide a cooling center
- Have a public water supply for times when private wells run dry
- Other: _____

12. Is there anything else you would like to tell us about Natural Disasters in Brookline?

Conclusion

Thank you for your time in assisting the Town of Brookline identify natural hazards of concern for the community.

13. Would you like to be contacted about opportunities to be involved in this process?

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

14. If yes, your preferred contact information (Email/Phone Number)

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