

Ayer HMPWG Meeting 2: Hazards & Critical Infrastructure

Thursday, August 24, 2023

10:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Ayer Town Hall, First Floor Meeting Room

AGENDA

- Public Participation Update:
 - Public outreach “info & input” meeting was held on June 29th, 2023
 - Public Survey status update

- Hazard Mitigation Working Group Tasks (Homework from Meeting 1):
 - Identify new Critical Facilities (public or private) and update list from 2016 Plan
 - Identify any new or increased hazards (MVP, pandemic, etc.) since last Plan
 - Identify mitigation projects completed since 2015/2016 Plan and current needs

- Hazard-Related Questions to inform Plan:
 - What types of weather events or natural hazards have occurred during the last 5 to 7 years?
 - What infrastructure (roads, bridges, culverts, etc.) experienced impacts due to natural hazards (flooding, icing, extreme temperatures, etc.) in the last 5 to 7 years?
 - What neighborhoods, natural features, areas, specific locations, or groups of people are most at risk or vulnerable due to changing climate and increasing hazards?
 - What, if any, changes in local priorities or needs have occurred in the last 5 to 7 years?
 - How can this plan be used to increase Ayer’s resiliency to the impacts of climate change and support the Town’s recent 2020 Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) Community Resilience Building goals and actions?

- Next Steps:
 - Homework for HMPWG Meeting III (Mid- to Late-September)
 - Review and update Capabilities Assessment from 2016 Plan
 - Consider specific vulnerabilities related to the Hazards and Critical Infrastructure discussed today (begin to list them and make notes for the next meeting)
 - Consider additional outreach to public and stakeholders
 - Continue to promote public survey
 - Select a date to end the public survey (September 15th?)