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Press Release



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City of Chowchilla Local Hazard Mitigation Plan Public Review and Comment Period

Chowchilla, CA, October 13, 2010: The City of Chowchilla has completed their Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP) which is now ready for a 20-day public review and comment period. Beginning Wednesday, October 13, 2010, the public may log on to the City's website at www.ci.chowchilla.ca.us to view the entire draft document. The link to the document will be posted on the City's home page.

Hard copies are also available for public review. The plan can be examined at the Chowchilla Civic Center, 130 S. Second Street or the Chowchilla Library located at 300 Kings Avenue.

The plan identifies and maps out measures to reduce the City's exposure to numerous hazards which include the following:

- Seismic hazards, ground shaking, and earthquakes
- Weather-related hazards, drought, flood, fog, extreme heat, severe wind, tornadoes, and winter storms
- Other hazards including dam failure/dam overflows, wildland fires, and hazardous materials (mobile and fixed incidents)

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After receiving public input, the goal is to have the LHMP plan sent to FEMA/CalEMA for the Local Mitigation Crosswalk to receive approval to move forward with City Council adoption. Once formally adopted and implemented, the plan will allow for the City and local emergency agencies to apply for various grants to procure funds that will help offset the huge costs associated with disaster recovery and make the City eligible for post-disaster assistance.

Beginning October 13, 2010, the public will have 20 days to comment on the plan. Please send comments via telephone or email to:

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