

**COON CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT
Request for Board Action**

MEETING DATE: March 9, 2026
AGENDA NUMBER: 9
ITEM: Adoption of 2025 Anoka County Hazard Mitigation Plan

AGENDA: Policy

ACTION REQUESTED

To consider adoption of the 2025 Anoka County Hazard Mitigation Plan (Plan) by Resolution No. 2026-04.

PURPOSE & SCOPE OF ITEM

To provide a review of the approved Plan, the Coon Creek Watershed District's role in the Plan, and the purpose of local adoption of the Plan for consideration by the Board.

BACKGROUND

Hazard mitigation plans are countywide plans that identify and reduce risk from natural hazards on the landscape. The hazard mitigation plans are implemented by the county and local governments within the county. Inclusion in a hazard mitigation plan provides local governments eligibility for FEMA and state hazard mitigation grants. These plans are required to be updated every five years.

In early 2025, CCWD engaged Anoka County early in the plan update process to ensure it would be included in this plan update. On April 14th, 2025, staff presented survey responses to the Board that were shared with Anoka County for incorporation into the plan. On September 8th, 2025, staff presented the draft Mitigation Action Chart that CCWD provided to Anoka County to be included in the plan.

The 2025 Anoka County Hazard Mitigation Plan received the FEMA "Approval Pending Adoption" letter on January 28th, 2026 (attached). The Anoka County Board of Commissioners signed Resolution #2026-PS02 adopting the Plan on February 17th, 2026.

The CCWD must adopt the Plan by resolution to participate in the approved Plan and gain eligibility for FEMA and state hazard mitigation grants.

OPTIONS

1. Discuss and adopt Resolution No. 2026-04 Adoption of the 2025 Anoka County Hazard Mitigation Plan
2. Discuss and determine not to proceed with adoption.

Attachments:

- a) FEMA Approval Pending Adoption letter
- b) Resolution 2026-04 Adoption of the 2025 Anoka County Hazard Mitigation Plan



FEMA

January 28, 2026

Ms. Kristen Dellwo
State Hazard Mitigation Officer
Homeland Security and Emergency Management
Minnesota Department of Public Safety
444 Cedar Street, Suite 223
Saint Paul, MN 55101

Dear Ms. Dellwo:

The Hazard Mitigation Assistance Community Resilience Branch of FEMA Region 5 has determined the local mitigation plan meets all applicable FEMA mitigation planning requirements except its adoption by the participating jurisdictions of the Anoka County 2025 Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Mitigation plans may include additional content to meet Element H: Additional State Requirements or content the local government included beyond applicable FEMA mitigation planning requirements. Determination that the plan is Approvable Pending Adoption (APA) does not include the review or approval of content that exceeds the applicable FEMA mitigation planning requirements.

An approved local mitigation plan, including adoption by the local government, is one of the conditions for applying for and/or receiving FEMA mitigation grants from the following programs:

- Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)
- HMGP Post-Fire
- Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities
- Flood Mitigation Assistance
- Safeguarding Tomorrow Revolving Loan Fund

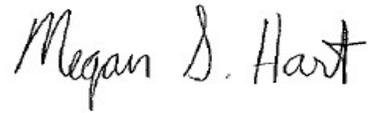
Participating jurisdictions that adopt the plan more than one year after APA status has been issued must either:

- Validate that their information in the plan remains current with respect to both the risk assessment (no recent hazard events, no changes in development) and their mitigation strategy (no changes necessary); or

- Make necessary updates before submitting the adoption resolution to FEMA.

We look forward to receiving the adoption resolution(s) and discussing options for implementing this mitigation plan. If there are any questions from either you or the communities, please contact Meg Burrows at (202) 769-6711 or meghan.burrows@fema.dhs.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Megan S. Hart". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Megan S. Hart
Branch Chief
Hazard Mitigation Assistance Community Resilience

Enclosures: Plan Participant Status List and Local Plan Review Tool

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Below is the list of the approvable pending adoption jurisdictions in the referenced hazard mitigation plan. Please submit an adoption resolution for each jurisdiction to be included as an approved participant of the plan.

Community Name	Jurisdiction Status
1) Andover city	APA
2) Anoka city	APA
3) Anoka County	APA
4) Bethel city	APA
5) Blaine city	APA
6) Centerville city	APA
7) Circle Pines city	APA
8) Columbia Heights city	APA
9) Columbus city	APA
10) Coon Creek Watershed District	APA
11) Coon Rapids city	APA
12) East Bethel city	APA
13) Fridley city	APA
14) Ham Lake city	APA
15) Hilltop city	APA
16) Lexington city	APA
17) Lino Lakes city	APA
18) Linwood township	APA
19) Nowthen city	APA
20) Oak Grove city	APA
21) Ramsey city	APA
22) Spring Lake Park city	APA
23) St. Francis city	APA

RESOLUTION No. 2026-04
RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE 2025 ANOKA COUNTY
HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the Coon Creek Watershed District recognizes the threat of natural hazards to people and property within the Coon Creek Watershed District; and

WHEREAS, the Coon Creek Watershed District has participated in the development of the 2025 Anoka County Hazard Mitigation Plan in accordance with Federal laws, including the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, as amended; the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended; and the National Dam Safety Program Act, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 Anoka County Hazard Mitigation Plan identifies mitigation goals and actions to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and property within the Coon Creek Watershed District from the impacts of future hazards and disasters; and

WHEREAS, by Plan adoption the Coon Creek Watershed District demonstrates its commitment to hazard mitigation and achieving the goals outlined in the 2025 Anoka County Hazard Mitigation Plan,

WHEREAS, approval of the 2025 Anoka County Hazard Mitigation Plan by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will make Anoka County and participating jurisdictions eligible to apply for FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance grants; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Coon Creek Watershed District supports the hazard mitigation planning effort and adopts the 2025 Anoka County Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Resolution No. 2026-04 adopting the 2025 Anoka County Hazard Mitigation Plan was moved by Manager _____, seconded by Manager _____ . Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2026-04 and the 2025 Anoka County Hazard Mitigation Plan: _____ ayes, _____ nays, _____ abstentions. Date: March 9, 2026

Date: _____
President, Coon Creek Watershed District Board of Managers