

State Mitigation Planning Policy Side-by-Side Comparison

This document compares, side by side, the required elements in the updated 2022 [State Mitigation Planning Policy Guide](#) (FP 302-094-2) with two policies:

- The 2015 [State Mitigation Plan Review Guide](#) (FP 302-094-2)
- The 2020 [HHPD Grant Guidance](#) (FP 104-008-7)

Staff who review and approve state mitigation plans can quickly see where the policies changed. This document includes only the requirements. FEMA also updated the narratives in the 2022 version. New and updated wording is highlighted. Minor differences in grammar and capitalization are not highlighted. Material deleted from the 2015 version is not called out in the 2022 column.

Standard Elements

2015 State Mitigation Plan Review Guide	2022 State Mitigation Planning Policy Guide (changes in yellow)
S1. Does the plan include a description of the process used to develop the plan?	
<p>The plan must describe the current process used to update the plan, including how the plan was prepared, the schedule or timeframe, specific milestones and activities, the agencies and stakeholders who were involved in the process, and if the mitigation planning process was integrated to the extent possible with other state planning efforts.</p> <p><i>Agencies and stakeholders</i> means state, local, and tribal agencies, colleges and universities, private entities, or private non-profit organizations, such as multi-jurisdictional utilities, that perform a critical function.</p>	<p>a. The plan must describe the current process used to update the plan, including how the plan was prepared, the schedule or time frame, specific milestones and activities, the agencies and stakeholders who were involved in the process, and if the mitigation planning process was integrated to the maximum extent possible with other state planning efforts. supporting documentation, such as meeting sign-in sheets and notes, does not need to be included in the plan itself. States are strongly encouraged to retain supporting documentation as a record of how decisions were made and who was involved.</p> <p><i>Agencies and stakeholders</i> mean state, local and tribal agencies; colleges and universities; private entities, including private nonprofit organizations; or quasi-governmental authorities and</p>

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2020 [HHPD Grant Guidance](#)

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HHPD1. Did Element S2 (planning process) describe how the state dam safety agency, other agencies, and stakeholders participated in the planning process and contributed expertise, data, studies, information, etc. relative to high hazard potential dams?

To meet this requirement with a specific focus on eligible high hazard potential dams, the plan must:

- a. Describe how the state dam safety agency, other agencies, and stakeholders were involved in the planning process.
- b. Describe the types of data contributed. Examples of data include:
 1. Location and size of the population at risk (PAR), as well as potential impacts to institutions and critical infrastructure/facilities/community lifelines.
 2. Include inundation maps, emergency action plans (EAPs), floodplain management plans, and/or data or summaries provided by dam breach modeling software such as Hydrologic Engineering Center’s River Analysis System (HEC-RAS), Decision Support System for Water Infrastructure Security (DSS-WISE) Human Consequences Module, DSS-WISE Lite, FLO-2D, or more detailed studies.

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HHPD2. Did Element S6 (risk assessment) address all dam risks from high hazard potential dams in the risk assessment?

To meet this requirement with a specific focus on eligible high hazard potential dams, the plan must:

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