

## CRS Activity 510

### Progress Report

Date this Report was Prepared: September 30, 2020

Name of Community: Knox County, TN

Name of Plan: Knox County, City of Knoxville, and Town of Farragut

Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Date of Adoption of Plan: July 25, 2018

*5 Year CRS Expiration Date:* July 24, 2023

1. How can a copy of the original plan or area analysis report be obtained: By contacting the Knox County Engineering Department- Stormwater Division or online at <http://www.knoxcounty.org/stormwater>
2. Describe how this evaluation report was prepared and how it was submitted to the governing body, released to the media, and made available to the public: The Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee met on September 9, 2020. The Plan was discussed and any changes that had occurred with any of the Plan participants in the last year were also discussed. The action items in the Plan were discussed in detail and the actions were updated. Knox County Commission members are made aware of the report through the notification procedure within the Knox County Commission Office. A press advisory is sent to the media outlets that cover Knox County news. The report is available to the public through the Knox County Stormwater website at <http://www.knoxcounty.org/stormwater>
3. Provide a review of each recommendation or action item in the action plan or area analysis report, including a statement on how much was accomplished during the previous year:

Please See Attached.

4. Discuss why any objectives were not reached or why implementation is behind schedule:

Knox County is slightly behind on our action item goals due to several factors, one of which is the Covid-19 situation. Knox County has taken a precautionary approach to undertaking new projects due to the uncertainty of expected revenue sources. Progress has been made as Knox County has allocated a significant amount of funds to assist in alleviating flooding situations in several parts of the county. Knox County has not started or has temporarily decided to place some potential action items on hold until expected revenues have stabilized. Knox County will continue to apply for possible grants to assist in these endeavors.

5. What are the recommendations for new projects or revised recommendations?

Knox County will continue to apply for grant opportunities and may reexamine the possibility of committing even more local funds to assist in accomplishing these goals.

**Attachment for**  
**Activity 510 for 2020 Yearly Report**

<b>Action Item</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Action</b>
County-1	Secure funding for a buyout of flood prone properties that experience repetitive flooding.	Knox County is considering one acquisition/demolition project for this fiscal year and is considering doing several acquisition/demolition projects next year and in subsequent years. In addition, Knox County is currently working with a consultant to develop a plan to mitigate several potential repetitive flooding areas. \$2,650,000 was placed in fiscal year 2020-2021 for floodplain mitigation projects.
County-2	Continue participation in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP)	Continue to actively participate in NFIP and CRS Programs
County-3	Secure funding for roadway improvement projects that would protect roadways from repetitive flooding.	Knox County has budgeted \$1,600,000.00 in FY 2020-2021 to begin Cedar Bluff Road-Fox Lonas Road Project to lessen flooding issues on these roads.
County-4	Secure funding for construction of regional detention basins.	This item is part of the Cedar Bluff Road-Fox Lonas Road Project that is budgeted to begin in FY 2020-2021.
County-5	Secure funding for uninterrupted power supply (UPS) battery-backup systems for traffic signals on critical roadway segments.	No Change – Budgetary constraints
MultiJurisdictional-1 Knox County, City of Knoxville, & Town of Farragut	Protect or relocate flood prone critical facilities.	No Change – Budgetary constraints
MultiJurisdictional-2 Knox County, City of Knoxville, & Town of Farragut	Provide Back-up power for critical facilities (i.e. water system pumps, hospitals, nursing homes, schools, etc.)	No Change – Budgetary constraints
Multijurisdictional-3 Knox County, City of Knoxville, & Town of Farragut	All Hazards public education	Knox County continues to place public education information on our website. The Knox County Engineering Department has started a dedicated program using social media to inform citizens of hazard educational information.
MultiJurisdictional-4 Knox County, City of Knoxville, & Town of Farragut	Wildfire public education	Participation at local events handing out brochures, etc.