

Summit County Hazard Prevention Plan

The mission of the Summit County Hazard Prevention Sub-Committee is to identify the hazards that affect Summit County, determine which hazards the county is at greatest risk from and work through hazard prevention needs and opportunities to prevent and reduce the effects of a disaster and increase the resiliency of Summit County. This core group is a forum to review the needs and concerns of all groups in county hazard prevention planning. The diverse background of the group members representing government, local business and the community, is a means for the county to keep their community up to date throughout the planning process. The Summit County Hazard Prevention Sub-Committee is comprised of representatives from Summit County Emergency Management Agency, Summit County Office of Community and Economic Development, Summit County Engineer's Office, Summit County Building Department, Summit County Health Department, Township Association, Mayors Association, Summit County Soil and Water Conservation District, Northeast Ohio Four County Regional Planning and Development Organization, Akron Metropolitan Area Transportation Study, Home Builders Association, Housing Network, Greater Akron Chamber, The Ohio State University Extension, The League of Women Voters-Akron Area and the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency. The Summit County Emergency Management Agency, through the support of Summit County Executive, James B. McCarthy (Tab A), will assume the responsibility for facilitating the sub-committee, scribing for the planning process and the actual writing of the plan. The Summit County Office of Community and Economic Development and the Summit County Engineer's Office have committed technical assistance and expertise to aid in the planning process.

The Summit County Hazard Prevention Sub-Committee (core planning group) was established by the Summit County Emergency Management Executive Committee at the August 15, 2002, by a unanimous vote of committee members. Consensus of the sub-committee on each aspect of the planning model (Tab B) will be compiled into a written plan and submitted to the Summit County Emergency Management Executive Committee for approval. The plan draft will be sent to the chief elected official of each of the political subdivisions for comment. Following the comment period, the Hazard Prevention Plan will be voted on for approval by the Emergency Management Executive Committee.