

**ANNEX 37: TOWNSHIP OF CHESTER**

**1 COMMUNITY CAPABILITIES ASSESSMENT**

Table 1 through Table 6 summarizes the different community capabilities and tools that are available to the community to potentially assist in mitigating the impacts of hazards.

**1.1 PLANNING, LEGAL AND REGULATORY CAPABILITIES**

The table below summarizes the legal and regulatory tools that are available to the Township of Chester and where hazard mitigation has been integrated.

**Table 1: Planning, Legal and Regulatory Capability**

	Do you have this? (Yes/No)	Authority that enforces (Federal, State, Regional, County, Local)	Is this State Mandated?	Has the HMP been integrated in the last 5 years ? If yes- how?	
				If yes- how? Describe in comments	If no - can it be a mitigation action? If yes, add Mitigation Action #.
<b>Codes, Ordinances, &amp; Requirements</b>					
<b>Building Code</b>	Yes	State & Local	Yes	N/A	-
<b>Comment:</b> State Uniform Construction Code Act (N.J.S. 52:27D-119 et seq.) State mandated on local level under NJAC 5:23-3.14. International Building Code – New Jersey Edition, 2018, NJAC 5:24-3.14. Administered by the Planning Board. Chapter 78 Construction Codes, Uniform. Code adopted by the Township Council of the Township of Chester 6-17-1986 by Ord. No. 1:18-86. Official implements building codes as applicable for included hazards.					
<b>Zoning Code</b>	Yes	Local	Yes, if have planning board	Yes	-
<b>Comment:</b> Updated by the Zoning Office. Chapter 113 (Land Use). Per State of NJ Municipal Land Use Law (MLUL) L. 1975, s. 2, eff Aug 1, 1976, 40-55D-62: 49. Power to zone, requires all jurisdictions to have current zoning and other land development ordinances after the planning board has adopted the land use element and master plan. Reference C. 113 in the municipal code. Adopted 12-2-1997, Amended 4-15-1997). Administered by the Zoning Board. Includes chapters addressing steep slope development (C 113 Pt 3 Art 7) and stormwater management (C 113-309). Zoning Map amended 6-6-2018 by Ord. No. 2018-06.					
<b>Subdivisions</b>	Yes	Local	Yes, if have planning board	Yes	-
<b>Comment:</b> Updated by Planning/Zoning. Chapter 113 (Land Use) Part 4 (Subdivision of Land). Chapter 113-138 Subdivision of Land and Site Plan Requirements. Adopted 4-2-1991 by Ord. No. 2:19Y-91). The enforcing agency for the State Uniform Construction Code shall consist of a Construction Official, Building Subcode Official, Plumbing Subcode Official, Electrical Subcode Official, Fire Protection Subcode Official and such other subcode officials for such additional subcodes as the Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, shall hereafter adopt as part of the State Uniform Construction Code. The Construction Official shall be the chief administrator of the enforcing agency.					
<b>Stormwater Management</b>	Yes	Local	Yes	Yes	-
<b>Comment:</b> Updated by Planning/Zoning. Chapter 113 (Land Use) Part 8 (Stormwater Control). Title 7 of the NJ Administrative Code (N.J.A.C. 7:8); Chapter 172 Stormwater Control, administered by the DPW. Stormwater Management planning is implemented by the Borough Engineer.					
<b>Post-Disaster Recovery</b>	No		No	No	-

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				If yes- how? Describe in comments	If no - can it be a mitigation action? If yes, add Mitigation Action #.
<b>Comment:</b>					
<b>Real Estate Disclosure</b>	Yes	State	Yes	Yes	-
<b>Comment:</b> Updated by the Division of Consumer Affairs. N.J.A.C. 13:45A-29.1. Before signing a contract of sale, all purchasers must receive a New Jersey Public Offering Statement (POS) approved by the New Jersey Real Estate Commission. The POS provides information such as proximity to hospitals, schools, fire and police, as well as any hazards, risks or nuisances in or around the subdivision.					
<b>Growth Management</b>	No		Yes, if have planning board	Yes	-
<b>Comment:</b> State Mandated on a municipal level. See Zoning Ordinance; Also - Plan Endorsement Process via the State Development & Redevelopment Plan provides for the delineation of Growth Areas and Environs; Use of the endorsed plans in the implementation of state environmental regulations makes the Plan Endorsement process a growth management strategy.					
<b>Shoreline Development</b>	No	-	Yes	-	-
<b>Comment:</b> NJ Coastal Area Facility Review Act (N.J.S.A. 13:19) or CAFRA regulates almost all development along the coast for activities including construction, relocation, and enlargement of buildings or structures, and excavation, grading, shore protection structures, and site preparation. This law is implemented through NJ's Coastal Zone Management Rules N.J.A.C. 7:7E-1 et seq.					
<b>Site Plan Review</b>	Yes	Local	Yes, if have planning board	Yes	-
<b>Comment:</b> Updated by Planning/Zoning. Administered by the Planning Board. Reference Ch 113: Land Use/Ch 113 Pt 2: Site Plan Review/Ch 113 Pt 2 Art 7: Final Approval of municipal code. Allows for the environmental commission and floodplain administrator as a designated official to review site plans.					
<b>Environmental Protection</b>	No		Yes	-	-
<b>Comment:</b> Township has an Environmental Commission created by Chapter 17 of the municipal Code which has have power to conduct research into the use and possible use of the open land areas of the township and may coordinate the activities of unofficial bodies organized for similar purposes, and may advertise, prepare, print and distribute books, maps, charts, plans and pamphlets which in its judgment it deems necessary for its purposes. It shall keep an index of all open areas, publicly or privately owned, including open marsh lands, swamps and other wetlands, in order to obtain information of the proper use of such areas, and may, from time to time, recommend to the Chester Township Planning Board plans and programs for inclusion in a Township Master Plan and the development and use of such areas. Also there is an environmental element in the Master Plan which includes a description of floodplains, areas of environmental concern.					
<b>Flood Damage Prevention</b>	Yes	Federal, State, Local	No	No	-
<b>Comment:</b> Updated by Planning/Zoning. Chapter 113 (Land Use) Part 7 (Flood Damage Prevention) amended 5-19-1987 by Ord. No. 1:15B-87. The rules that are utilized by the NJ Department of Environmental Protection and other environmental agencies are codified at Title 7 of the NJ Municipal Administrative Code. The code should be updated to include one foot of freeboard for residential construction.					
<b>Wellhead Protection</b>	Yes	Local	No	No	-
<b>Comment:</b> Updated by Planning/Zoning. Chapter 113 (Land Use) Part 242.2 (Wellhead Protection).					
<b>Emergency Management</b>	No		Yes	No	-

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<b>Comment:</b> Per the NJ Civilian Defense and Disaster Control Act (App.A:9_43.2) Counties and municipalities must have written Emergency Operations Plans to be reviewed every 2 years. See Emergency Operations Plans below.					
Climate Change	No		No	No	-
<b>Comment:</b>					
Disaster Recovery Ordinance	No		No	No	-
<b>Comment:</b>					
Disaster Reconstruction Ordinance	No		No	-No	-
<b>Comment:</b>					
Hazardous Material Ordinance	Yes	Local	-	-	-
<b>Comment:</b> Chapter 104 Hazardous Materials allows for the liability of cleanup and abatement costs.					
Soil Erosion and Sediment Control	Yes	Local	-	-	-
<b>Comment:</b> Chapter 113-191 Erosions Control Plan. Requires a soil erosion and sediment control plan conforming with the requirements of Part 3, Soil Removal and Land Disturbances, and Part 7, Flood Damage Prevention.					
Other: Steep slopes	Yes	Local	No	Yes	-
<b>Comment:</b> Updated by Planning/Zoning. Chapter 113 (Land Use) Part 118 (Steep Slopes)					
<b>Planning Documents</b>					
Comprehensive / Master Plan	Yes	Local	Municipal: Yes/No County: Yes	Yes	-
<b>Comment:</b> Updated by the Planning Board. Highlands Regional Master Plan (2004), Chester Township Master Plan (2000, Reexamination Report 2007). Per NJSA: Yes, if planning board (40:55D-28) and must be re-examined every ten years (40:55D-89.1); County: Yes (40:27-2). Adopted on October 23, 2001, re-examination in 2013. The Plan includes maps for existing land use, critical wildlife habitat, environmental features, public utilities, community facilities, historic sites, zoning, circulation, and geology.					
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes	Local	Allowed	Yes/No	-
<b>Comment:</b> Updated annually by Township Chief Financial Officer. Per NJSA 40:55D-29 the governing body is authorized to direct the planning board to prepare a CIP with at least a six year planning horizon. Administered by the Administration.					
Disaster Debris Management Plan	Yes	Local	No	-	-
<b>Comment:</b> Department of Public Works					
Floodplain or Watershed Plan	Yes	Regional	No	Yes	-
<b>Comment:</b> Highlands Master Plan					
Stormwater Management Plan	Yes	Local	Yes	Yes	-
<b>Comment:</b> Updated by Engineering. Stormwater Management Plan 2005. On website.					
Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan	Yes	Local	Yes	Yes	-

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<b>Comment:</b> Updated by Engineering. Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan 2019. On website. Per NJDEP Storm Water Management Rule (N.J.A.C. 7:8, et seq.). The Municipal Stormwater Regulation Program was developed in response to the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency's (USEPA) Phase II rules published in December 1999. The Department issued final stormwater rules on February 2, 2004 and four (4) NJPDES general permits authorizing stormwater discharges from Tier A and Tier B municipalities, as well as public complexes, and highway agencies that discharge stormwater from municipal separate storm sewers (MS4s).					
<b>Urban Water Management Plan</b>	No		No	N/A	-
<b>Comment:</b>					
<b>Habitat Conservation Plan</b>	No		No	N/A	-
<b>Comment:</b> May develop a conservation plan element in master plan per NJSA 40:5D-28b (8).					
<b>Economic Development Plan</b>	No		No	N/A	-
<b>Comment:</b> Per NJSA 40:55D-28b. (9) There can be a generic Economic Development Element of the County Comprehensive Plan. Municipality can establish Economic Development Commission that can facilitate incentive programs (façade programs, low-interest loans, etc.).					
<b>Shoreline Management Plan</b>	No		No	N/A	-
<b>Comment:</b>					
<b>Community Wildfire Protection Plan</b>	No		No	N/A	-
<b>Comment:</b>					
<b>Community Forest Management Plan</b>	Yes	Local	No	Yes	-
<b>Comment:</b> Managed by the Parks consultant. Optional accreditation for county and municipalities for reduction of liability, New Jersey Urban and Community Forestry Program (NJUCF).					
<b>Transportation Plan</b>	Yes	Local	No	Yes	-
<b>Comment:</b> Master Plan Transportation Element. Includes trees along transportation corridors.					
<b>Agriculture Plan</b>	Yes	Local, County, State	No	Yes	-
<b>Comment:</b> Master Plan Agricultural Element					
<b>Climate Action Plan</b>	No	Local	No	N/a	-
<b>Comment:</b>					
<b>Tourism Plan</b>	No	Local	No	N/A	-
<b>Comment:</b>					
<b>Business Development Plan</b>	No	Local	No	N/A	-
<b>Comment:</b>					
<b>Other: Stream Corridor Management Plan</b>	Yes	State	Yes	Yes	-
<b>Comment:</b> Updated by NJDEP					
<b>Other: Open Space Plan</b>	Yes	Local	Yes	Yes	-

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<b>Comment:</b> Updated by Council. Addresses open space requirement of Highlands Regional Master Plan and hazard areas indicated in the mitigation plan. Intended to protect the watershed to ensure safe drinking water for downstream users of the Raritan River.					
<b>Response/Recovery Planning</b>					
<b>Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (CEMP) / Emergency Operations Plan (EOP)</b>	Yes	Local	Yes	Yes/No	-
<b>Comment:</b> EOP updated by the OEM Director. 2023.					
<b>Threat &amp; Hazard Identification &amp; Risk Assessment (THIRA)</b>	No	Local	No	No	-
<b>Comment:</b>					
<b>Post-Disaster Recovery Plan</b>	No	Local	No	No	-
<b>Comment:</b>					
<b>Continuity of Operations Plan</b>	Yes	Local	No	Yes/No	-
<b>Comment:</b> Element of the EOP.					
<b>Public Health Plan</b>	Yes	Local	No	Yes	-
<b>Comment:</b> Annex included in the EOP.					
<b>Other</b>	-		-	-	-
<b>Comment:</b>					

Table 2: Development and Permitting Capability

Criterion	Response
Does your jurisdiction issue development permits? - If no, who does? If yes, which department?	Yes Planning and Zoning, Engineer, Construction Official Development goes to Planning Board
Does your jurisdiction have the ability to track permits by hazard area?	Yes
Does your jurisdiction have a buildable lands inventory? -If yes, please describe briefly. -If no, please quantitatively describe the level of buildout in the jurisdiction.	Yes  Buildable Lands Inventory conducted in 2017

## 1.2 ADMINISTRATIVE AND TECHNICAL CAPABILITIES

The table below summarizes potential staff and personnel resources available to the Township of Chester.

**Table 3: Administrative and Technical Capabilities**

Staff/Personnel Resource	Available?	Department/Agency/Position
<b>Administrative Capability</b>		
Planning Board	Yes	-
Mitigation Planning Committee	No	No
Environmental Board / Commission	Yes	Environmental Commission: Planning & Zoning
Open Space Board / Committee	Yes	The Township has an Open Space Advisory Committee and a Parks and Recreation Committee; Planning & Zoning
Economic Development Commission / Committee	No	-
Warning Systems / Services (reverse 911, outdoor warning signals)	Yes	RAVE
Maintenance program to reduce risk	Yes	DPW storm basin maintenance
Mutual aid agreements	Yes	Administration, Police, DPW
<b>Technical/Staffing Capability</b>		
Planners or engineers with knowledge of land development and land management practices	Yes	Consultant Planner & Consultant Engineer
Engineers or professionals trained in building or infrastructure construction practices	Yes	Consultant Planner & Consultant Engineer
Planners or engineers with an understanding of natural hazards	Yes	Consultant Planner & Consultant Engineer
Staff with training in benefit/cost analysis	Yes	Chief Financial Officer
Staff with training in green infrastructure	Yes	Consultant Engineer
Staff with education/knowledge/training in low impact development	Yes	Consultant Engineer
Surveyor	No	Consultant Engineer
Stormwater engineer	Yes	Consultant Engineer
Personnel skilled or trained in GIS applications	Yes	Consultant Planner
Local or state water quality professional	Yes	Health Department
Scientist familiar with natural hazards in local area	No	-
Emergency manager	Yes	OEM
Watershed planner	Yes	Highlands Council
Environmental specialist	Yes	Consultant Engineer
Grant writers	Yes	Chief Financial Officer and Township Administrator
Resilience Officer	No	-
Other	No	-

**1.3 FISCAL CAPABILITIES**

The table below summarizes financial resources available to the Township of Chester.

**Table 4: Fiscal Capabilities**

Financial Resource	Accessible or Eligible to Use?
Community Development Block Grants (CDBG, CDBG-DR)	Yes, County
Capital Improvements Project Funding	Yes, Governing Body
Authority to Levy Taxes for Specific Purposes	Yes, Governing Body
User Fees for Water, Sewer, Gas or Electric Service	No
Incur Debt through General Obligation Bonds	Yes, Governing Body
Incur Debt through Special Tax Bonds	Yes
Incur Debt through Private Activity Bonds	No
Withhold Public Expenditures in Hazard-Prone Areas	No
State-Sponsored Grant Programs	Yes
Development Impact Fees for Homebuyers or Developers	No
Clean Water Act 319 Grants (Nonpoint Source Pollution)	Yes
Other	Yes, County, State, and Governing Body

#### 1.4 EDUCATION AND OUTREACH CAPABILITIES

The table below summarizes the education and outreach resources available to the Township of Chester.

**Table 5: Education and Outreach Capabilities**

Criterion	Response
Do you have a public information officer or communications office?	Yes
Do you have personnel skilled or trained in website development?	Yes, Consultant
Do you have hazard mitigation information available on your website? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If yes, briefly describe.</li> </ul>	Yes
Do you use social media for hazard mitigation education and outreach? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If yes, briefly describe.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.chestertownship.org/">www.chestertownship.org/</a> OEM site
Do you have any citizen boards or commissions that address issues related to hazard mitigation? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If yes, briefly describe.</li> </ul>	Yes
Do you have any other programs already in place that could be used to communicate hazard-related information? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If yes, briefly describe.</li> </ul>	Facebook Twitter
Do you have any established warning systems for hazard events? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If yes, briefly describe.</li> </ul>	Yes, RAVE

#### 1.5 COMMUNITY CLASSIFICATIONS

The table below summarizes the classifications for community programs available to the Township of Chester.

**Table 6: Community Classifications**

Program	Participating?	Classification	Date Classified
Community Rating System	No	_____	
Building Code Effectiveness Grading Schedule (BCEGS)	No	_____	
Public Protection (Fire ISO Protection Class)	Yes	4	September 2014
Storm Ready Certification	No	_____	
Firewise Community Classification	No	_____	
Sustainable Jersey	Yes	Bronze	

**1.6 NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM COMPLIANCE**

This section provides specific information on the management and regulation of the regulatory floodplain.

**Table 7: National Flood Insurance Program Compliance**

Criterion	Response
What local department is responsible for floodplain management?	Construction Department
Who is your floodplain administrator? (department/position)	Construction Official
Are any certified floodplain managers on staff in your jurisdiction?	No
What is the date that your flood damage prevention ordinance was last amended?	2014
Does your floodplain management program meet or exceed minimum requirements?	Meets
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If exceeds, in what ways?</li> </ul>	n/a
When was the most recent Community Assistance Visit or Community Assistance Contact?	Unknown
Does your jurisdiction have any outstanding NFIP compliance violations that need to be addressed?	No
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If so, state what they are.</li> </ul>	n/a
Are any RiskMAP projects currently underway in your jurisdiction?	No
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If so, state what they are.</li> </ul>	n/a
Do your flood hazard maps adequately address the flood risk within your jurisdiction?	Yes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If no, state why.</li> </ul>	n/a
Does your floodplain management staff need any assistance or training to support its floodplain management program?	No
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If so, what type of assistance/training is needed?</li> </ul>	n/a
Does your jurisdiction participate in the Community Rating System (CRS)?	No
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If yes, is your jurisdiction interested in improving its CRS Classification?</li> </ul>	n/a
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If no, is your jurisdiction interested in joining the CRS program?</li> </ul>	No
How many flood insurance policies are in force in your jurisdiction?	16
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What is the insurance in force?</li> </ul>	\$428,1000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What is the premium in force?</li> </ul>	\$15,808
How many total loss claims have been filed in your jurisdiction?	2

Criterion	Response
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How many claims are still open or were closed without payment?</li> </ul>	0 open and 1 closed without payment
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What were the total payments for losses?</li> </ul>	\$,5161.94
Do you maintain a list of properties that have been damaged by flooding?	No
Do you maintain a list of property owners interested in flood mitigation?	No

## 2 HAZARD ANALYSIS AND RISK ASSESSMENT

### 2.1 HAZARD AREA EXTENT AND LOCATION

Hazard area extent and location maps were generated for the Township of Chester that illustrate the probable areas impacted within the municipality. These maps are based on the best available data at the time of the preparation of this plan and are adequate for planning purposes. Maps have been generated only for those hazards that can be clearly identified using mapping techniques and technologies and for which the Township of Chester has significant exposure. Refer to Figure 1 and Figure 2.

### 2.2 REPETITIVE FLOOD LOSSES

The following summarizes the repetitive and severe repetitive flood losses in the Township of Chester.

- Number of repetitive loss (RL) properties: 0
- Number of severe repetitive loss (SRL) properties: 0
- Number of RL/SRL properties that have been mitigated: 0

### 2.3 CRITICAL FACILITIES

There are no critical facilities located in the floodplain.

### 2.4 HAZARD RANKING

This section includes the community specific identification of the primary hazard concerns based on identified problems, impacts and the results of the risk assessment as presented in Section 3 (Risk Assessment). The Township of Chester has reviewed the Morris County hazard ranking table, as well as its individual results, to reflect the relative risk of the hazards of concern to the community.

Table 8: Township of Chester Hazard Ranking Input

Hazard	Ranking	Hazard	Ranking
Drought	Moderate	Hazardous Substances	High
Earthquake	Moderate	Severe Weather	High
Extreme Temperature	Moderate	Severe Winter Storm	High
Flood	High	Wildfire	Moderate
Geological Hazards	Moderate		

### 2.5 COMPLETED ACTIONS

Chester Township did not report any completed actions.

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**2.6 CANCELLED ACTIONS**

Chester Township reported the following canceled actions.

2020 Action	Mitigation Action Name	Project Description	Justification
2020-Chester Township-002	Emerald Ash Borer and Spotted Lanternfly Education All Hazards Outreach Project	Emerald Ash Borer and Spotted Lanternfly infestation are attacking trees and crops in the town. Develop and disseminate clear information and guidance to the public and businesses in the town to identify and eliminate these invasive species and provide information on all hazards as needed.	Hazard removed from plan update.

**2.7 HAZARD MITIGATION STRATEGY**

**2.7.1 STRATEGY BACKGROUND**

Action	Jurisdiction	Mitigation Action Name	What is the problem the action is solving?	How does the action solve the problem?	Is this a continuing action from 2020 plan?	2024 Project Status
					Yes/No	Not Started In Progress
1	Chester Township	Town-Wide Siren System	Town wide Storm Sirens. Current fire siren barely covers 20% of town and folks are used to hearing it, so it doesn't draw their attention. Need a different type	OEM to specify system requirements for town-wide system, work with Administrator to prepare a request for bid, review bids, and select vendor to install system.	Y	Not Started
2	Chester Township	Back-up Generator for Primary Shelter	Shelter requires adequate back-up power.	Upgrade old undersized generator at Black River Middle School, designated shelter. This project has not started due to lack of funding.	Y	Not Started
3	Chester Township	Ash Tree Removal/Trimming	Infestation of the emerald ash borer is resulting in the die-off of the prolific population of ash trees in the township causing imminent life safety and utility interruption hazards.	Implement Ash tree removal based on Township Tree Inventory	Y	In Progress
4	Chester Township	Peapack-Gladstone Reservoir Dam Mitigation	Viability and condition of this critical asset must be assessed.	Apply engineering study measures on Peapack-Gladstone Reservoir Dam. This project has not started due to lack of funding.	Y	Not Started
5	Chester Township	Tannersbrook Road drainage project	Localized flooding occurs on Tannersbrook road creating access issues for local residence.	Tannersbrook Road drainage/culverts/raise road bed	Y	Not Started
6	Chester Township	Township Debris Management Plan	The Township needs a plan to provide debris management procedures policy, and agreements to effectively manage debris generated by severe weather events.	Develop a debris management plan.	Y	Not Started

Action	Jurisdiction	Mitigation Action Name	What is the problem the action is solving?	How does the action solve the problem?	Is this a continuing action from 2020 plan? Yes/No	2024 Project Status Not Started In Progress
7	Chester Township	Update Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance	Current flood damage prevention ordinance does not include freeboard	Revise and adopt a new ordinance to align with NJDEP Model Ordinance to include on foot freeboard		

2.7.2 STRATEGY IMPLEMENTATION

Action	What is the main hazard from the 2025 update that the action mitigates?	List any additional hazards from the 2025 mitigation plan update that the action mitigates	What is the main goal that the action addresses?	List any additional goals that the action addresses	What agencies will lead the implementation of this action?	What agencies will support the implementation of this action?	What are potential sources of funding that can support this mitigation action?	What benefits does this action provide?
1	Wildfire	Severe Weather; Severe Winter Weather; Flood; Earthquake	Goal 1		<u>OEM</u>		Operating Budget	High
2	Severe Weather	Severe winter weather; Flood	Goal 1		<u>Township Administrator;</u> <u>OEM</u>		Operating Budget, HMGP Grant	High
3	Severe Weather	Severe winter weather; Wildfire	Goal 1		<u>Township Administrator,</u> <u>Township DPW</u>		Operating Budget, NJ Urban and Community Forestry Program (NJUCF)	High

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4	Flood	N/A	Goal 1	Goal 3	<u>Engineering;</u> <u>Public Works</u>	N/A	Operating budget	Better understanding of dam condition and viability
5	Flood	Severe Weather	Goal 1	N/A	<u>Engineering;</u> <u>Public Works</u>	N/A	Operating budget	Reduced flood damage
6	All hazards	N/A	Goal 1	N/A	<u>Engineering;</u> <u>Public Works</u>	N/A	Operating budget	Comprehensive debris management plan and program
7	Flood	Severe Weather	Goal 4	Goal 1	<u>Engineering;</u> <u>Public Works</u>	N/A	Operating budget	Comprehensive community-wide framework for flood damage prevention

2.7.3 STRATEGY RANKING AND PRIORITIZATION

Action	What is the estimated cost of this action?	What is the estimated timeline for this action to be implemented?	Potential for Lives Saved 1 - Little Potential 2 - Some Potential 3 - Major Potential	Potential for Reduced Property Damages 1 - Little Potential 2 - Some Potential 3 - Major Potential	Potential for Reduced Response Actions 1 - Little Potential 2 - Some Potential 3 - Major Potential	Benefits Exceed Costs 0 - BCA equal 2 - Minor Exceedence 3 - Major Exceedence	Community Action Priority Ranking 1 - Low Priority 2 - Medium Priority 3 - High Priority	Total	Priority
1	\$250k-\$500k	1-3 years	2	1	2	3	3	11	Medium
2	\$250k-\$500k	1-3 years	2	2	2	3	3	12	High
3	Under \$50k	1-3 years	2	3	3	3	3	14	High
4	Under \$50k	1-3 years	1	2	2	3	3	11	Medium
5	\$250k-\$500k	3-5 years	1	2	2	3	1	9	Low
6	Under \$100k	1-3 years	1	1	2	3	3	10	Medium
7	Under \$50k	1-3 years	1	3	3	3	2	12	High

Figure 1: Township of Chester Hazard Area Extent and Location Map 1

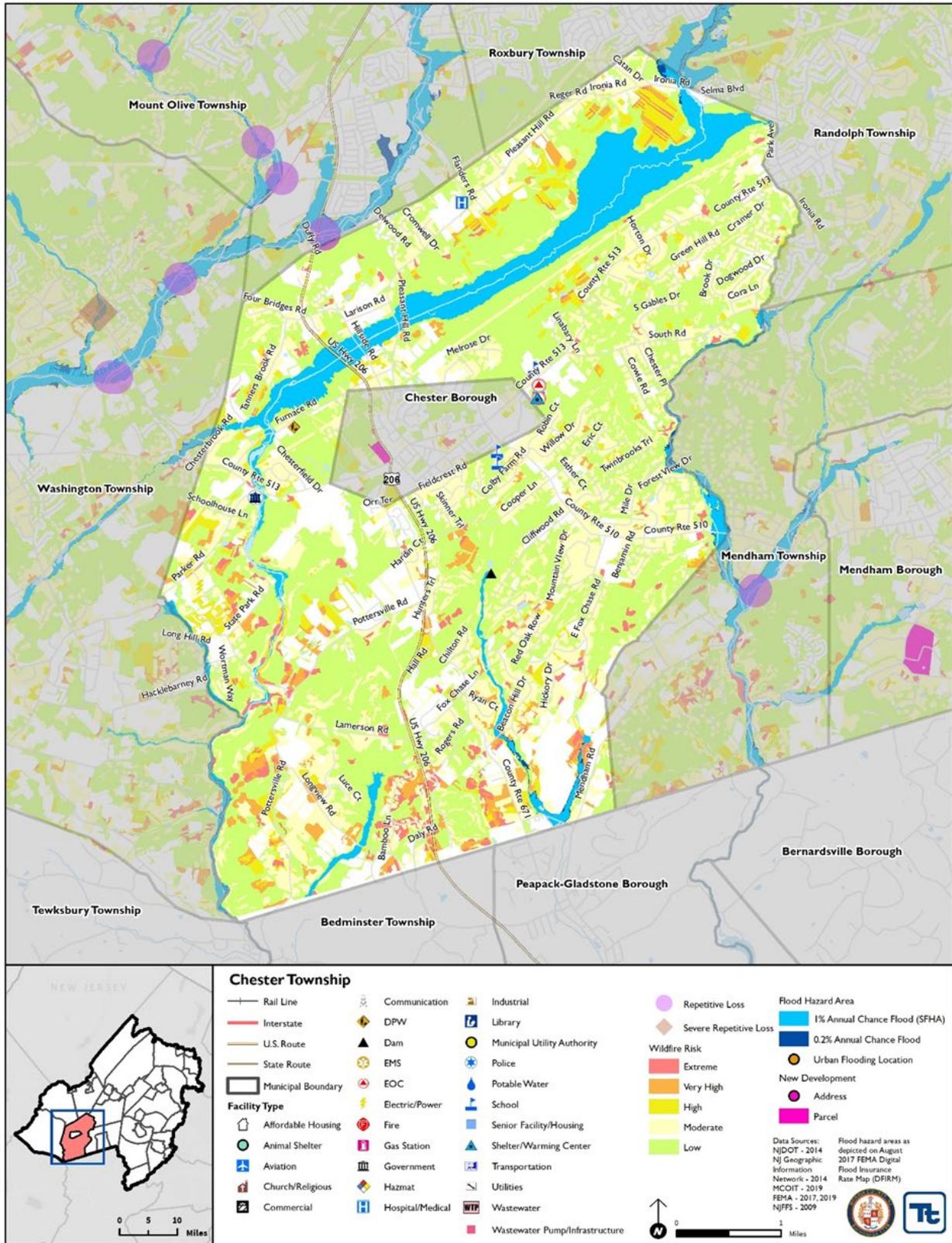


Figure 2: Township of Chester Hazard Area Extent and Location Map 2

