

**Tuolumne County  
Multi-Jurisdictional  
Hazard Mitigation Plan  
2018**

**Annex C:  
Twain Harte  
Community Services District**

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## TWAIN HARTE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

### I. JURISDICTION PROFILE

The Twain Harte Community Services District (THCS D) is a California Special District formed on August 1, 1996, under Government Code §61000 et seq., to provide water, sewer, park and recreation, fire protection, and hydroelectric services to the Twain Harte community. Its formation resulted in the consolidation of three districts whose service to the community dates as far back as 1935 – Twain Harte Fire Protection District, Tuolumne County Water District No. 1 and Twain Harte Recreation and Park District.

THCS D serves an approximate population of 2,500 permanent residents in the unincorporated town of Twain Harte. The service area (approximately 3 square miles) encompasses Twain Harte's downtown area, which consists of residences, businesses, parks and a school. Twain Harte sits at an approximate elevation of 3,800 feet and has a population that fluctuates greatly with tourism.

The primary services provided by THCS D are generally described as follows:

### WATER SERVICES

THCS D treats and distributes drinking water to approximately 1,600 residential, commercial and public facility connections. Surface water is treated at a pressure filtration water treatment plant (1 million gallons per day capacity) and at two groundwater wells before it is pumped through two pump stations, stored in six storage tanks (totaling 2.5 million gallons of storage) and finally distributed to customers through 25 miles of pipeline. Each customer's water use is measured via "smart" meters. These meters can be read remotely and also can detect customer leaks.



*Clarifier at Water Treatment Plant*

### Ditch Water Conveyance System

THCS D's primary water supply source is surface water purchased from Tuolumne Utilities District (TUD). The water supply originates high in the Sierras in the form of rain and snow before it flows via the South Fork Stanislaus River into Pinecrest and Lyons Reservoir where it is stored. It is then conveyed to THCS D's water treatment plant via an open ditch system that was originally constructed by miners in the 1800's. The ditch is currently owned and operated by Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E) and TUD. PG&E provides the water to TUD through a perpetual water supply contract.

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### Shadybrook Reservoirs

THCSD also stores surface water in its Shadybrook Reservoirs, two small ponds (approximately 10 acre-feet or 3.3 million gallons in capacity) located within THCSD's boundaries. These reservoirs are fed from the ditch and Sullivan Creek. A pump station provides access to these reservoirs as a back-up water supply during emergencies. It is also used as the main water supply during the annual ditch outage each October.

### Groundwater Wells

Groundwater serves as THCSD's secondary source of water. THCSD owns and operates two groundwater wells that were recently constructed with State grants and is currently constructing a third well. These wells are capable of providing about 150% of normal winter water use and about 65% of normal summer water use. Each well treats water for drinking before pumping it into the distribution system. The wells are extremely important for water supply reliability, enabling THCSD to continue to provide essential drinking and firefighting water to Twain Harte during extreme drought and emergency, such as wildfire damage to the elevated wooden flume portions of the ditch system. In 2017, the wells were utilized to provide water to communities outside THCSD's service area during the ditch outage. These communities normally rely on surface water stored in a small reservoir that was compromised in severe winter storms.





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### WASTEWATER/SEWER SERVICES

THCSD provides sewer (wastewater) collection services to approximately 1,475 residential, commercial and public facility connections in Twain Harte. The THCSD wastewater collection system consists of approximately 25 miles of sewer lines that primarily conveys wastewater via gravity flow. There are three low lying areas within the district that cannot flow by gravity and require lift stations to pump wastewater up into the gravity portions of the system. The wastewater is conveyed through sewer mains to the Twain Harte Wastewater Plant where it is pre-treated before it is conveyed through TUD's sewer interceptor lines to the Sonora Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant in Sonora, California. TUD owns and operates the Twain Harte Wastewater Plant and the Sonora Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant and provides services wastewater treatment services to THCSD via contract. After it has been treated, all wastewater is conveyed to TUD's Quartz Reservoir outside of Jamestown where it is recycled for agricultural use.

### PARKS AND RECREATION SERVICES

THCSD provides park and recreation services to Twain Harte and the surrounding communities through a variety of recreational facilities it owns and operates, including:



*Above Ground Gravity Sewer Line*



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- **Eproson Park:** Located on Meadow Drive, the park facilities consist of a baseball field, concession stand, restrooms, playground, picnic area, stage/theater area, skateboard park, bocce courts and community garden.
- **Twain Harte Community Center/American Legion Hall:** The Community Center is located on Manzanita Drive is a small building with an occupancy load of approximately 75. It is equipped for community gatherings and functions and includes a kitchen, tables, chairs, meeting room and restrooms. The Community Center is also used by American Red Cross as a warming/cooling center with backup power supply.
- **Twain Harte Tennis Courts:** Three tennis and pickleball courts are available for public use on Marquis Drive.
- **Twain Harte Meadows Park:** THCS D is in the process of developing a one-acre park area in downtown Twain Harte.



*Eproson Park Playground*

### FIRE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE SERVICES

THCS D is authorized to provide fire protection services, rescue services, and hazardous material emergency response services in the same manner as a Fire Protection District, formed pursuant to the Fire Protection District Law, Part 2.7 (commencing with Section 13800) of Division 12 of the Health and Safety Code. THCS D is also authorized to provide emergency medical services pursuant to the Emergency Medical Services System and the Pre-hospital Emergency Medical Care Personnel Act, Division 2.5 (commencing with Section 1797) of the Health and Safety Code. In cooperation with neighboring fire districts, Tuolumne County, United States Forest Service and Cal Fire, THCS D also provides fire services outside of THCS D boundaries through mutual aid agreements.

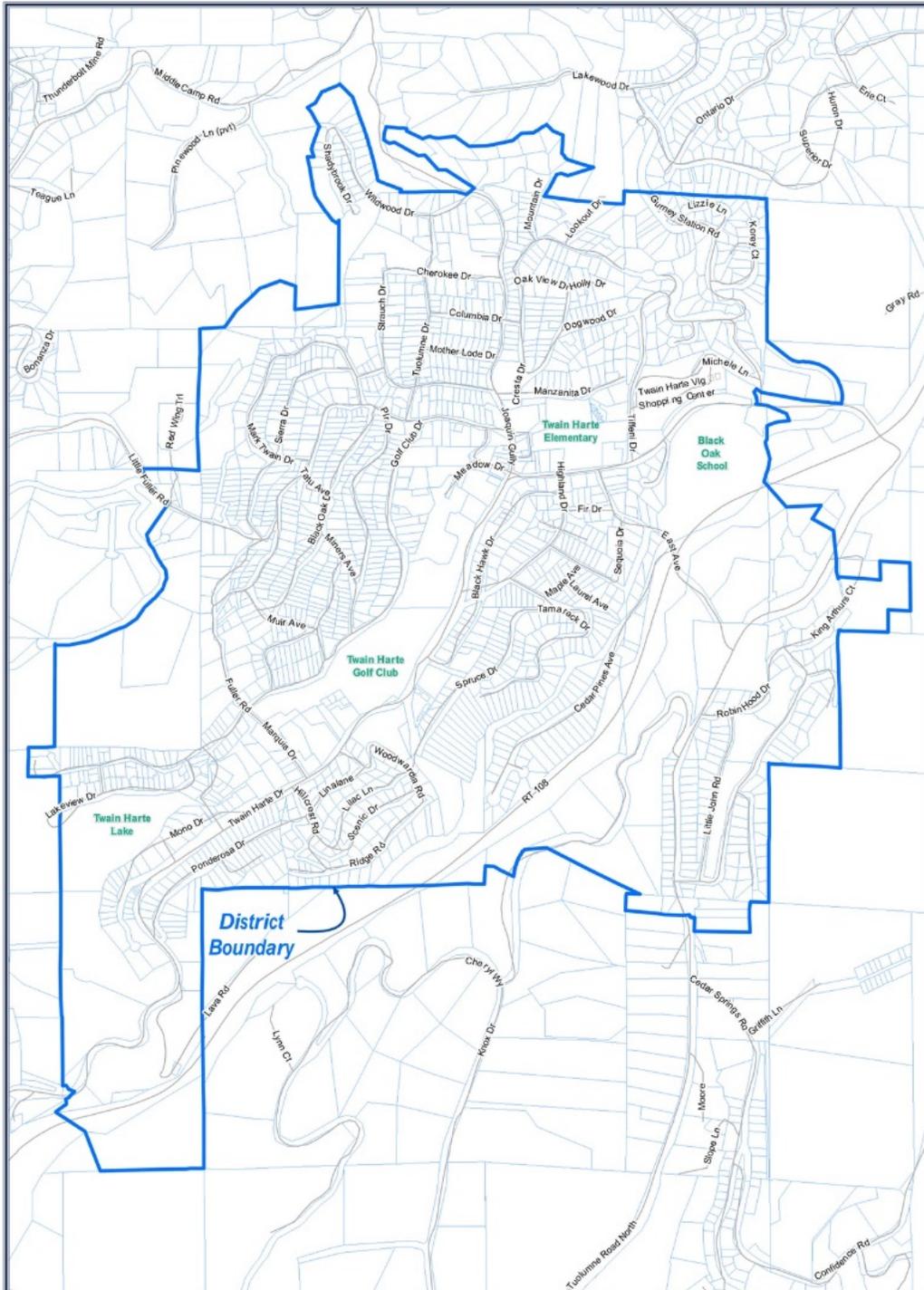
THCS D's Fire Division primarily operates out of its fire station located on Cedar Drive in downtown Twain Harte. It also owns and operates a live fire training facility with an SCBA fill station and fire behavior, search and rescue, forced entry and ventilation props. The level of service provided to the community has earned an Insurance Services Office (ISO) Rating of 3, which is in the top 7% of the United States.

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*Engine 721 in front of the THCSF Fire Station*

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**Twain Harte Community Service District Boundary**

Feet  
0 500 1,000 2,000

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## II. PLANNING PROCESS

### A. DMA 2000 Requirements

#### **DMA Requirements §201.6(b) and §201.6(c)(1):**

An open public involvement process is essential to the development of an effective plan. In order to develop a more comprehensive approach to reducing the effects of natural disasters, the planning process shall include:

- (1) An opportunity for the public to comment on the plan during the drafting stage and prior to plan approval;
- (2) An opportunity for neighboring communities, local and regional agencies involved in hazard mitigation activities, and agencies that have the authority to regulate development, as well as businesses, academia and other private and non-profit interests to be involved in the planning process; and
- (3) Review and incorporation, if appropriate, of existing plans, studies, reports, and technical information.

The plan shall document the planning process used to develop the plan, including how it was prepared, who was involved in the process, and how the public was involved.

### B. Plan Development and Public Input Process/Countywide Elements

Volume 1 is the master planning document which contains all elements applicable to the County of Tuolumne and each of the 22 individual jurisdictions. Plan development commenced with a review and revision of the updated 2013 Hazard Mitigation Plan. Each of the participating jurisdictions participated fully in the mitigation plan update.

A news release was developed and issued and informative letters were sent out to community groups and neighboring jurisdictions inviting public participation. A Hazard Mitigation Planning Group was constructed with representatives from all involved jurisdictions and community stakeholders. Planning group meetings were held which explained the process that was going to be taken to construct the new plan, reviewed hazards of concern and hazard rankings, and explained the risks and vulnerability to the communities' people, buildings and infrastructure. Mitigation goals, objectives and actions were discussed and reviewed thoroughly with all planning group members until concurrence was reached. A capability assessment and action plan were developed to ensure mitigation actions were realistic and attainable and to assign funding sources and responsibility for each proposed activity.

After the MJHMP Planning Group Members, their respective jurisdictions, and Tuolumne County Office of Emergency Services were all satisfied with the newly updated draft plan and its mitigation goal, objectives and actions, a noticed public hearing occurred at the County Board of Supervisor Chambers. This meeting was widely advertised both locally and in neighboring counties to provide an opportunity



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for the general public, bordering communities and regional agencies involved in hazard mitigation activities to participate in the planning process. Notice of the public hearing was posted, two weeks in advance, on the County website, community bulletin boards and through a press release. Notification letters were sent to Office of Emergency Services managers in all neighboring Counties. Several weeks prior to the hearing, the newly constructed Plan was posted on the County website to enable the public and stakeholders ample time to read and evaluate it. A Power Point presentation was developed that provided a detailed explanation of the risks and vulnerabilities the community faced.

The mitigation goals, objectives and actions were explained in detail as were the resources that would be used to help mitigate these hazards. In addition, the general public had an opportunity to ask questions and comment on the proposed plan and each of the annexes as they moved through the approval process for Tuolumne County and each of the participating jurisdictions. All comments were reviewed with the stakeholder group and incorporated into the plan as appropriate.

### **C. Jurisdiction Specific Planning and Approval Process**

The Twain Harte Community Service District's Fire Chief participated in the Hazard Mitigation Planning Group. He brought the Planning Group findings to the District Manager who reviewed the findings with special attention being paid to the issues of wildland fire and extreme weather preparedness. The Director's input was incorporated into both draft and final documents, and reviewed by District staff. A staff report was prepared and made available to the general public for comment and was eventually forwarded to the Twain Harte Community Services District's Board of Directors. A public meeting was held within the jurisdiction; input was received from the general public and incorporated into the final approved agency specific plan.

Adoption by the District demonstrates the jurisdiction's commitment to fulfilling the hazard mitigation goals and actions outlined in the plan. Adoption legitimizes the plan and authorizes the District to execute its responsibilities.



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## III. RISK ASSESSMENT

### A. DMA 2000 Requirements

- DMA Requirement §201.6(c)(2)(i):** The risk assessment shall include a description of the type of all natural hazards that can affect the jurisdiction.
- DMA Requirement §201.6(c)(2)(i):** The risk assessment shall include a description of the ... location and extent of all natural hazards that can affect the jurisdiction. The plan shall include information on previous occurrences of hazard events and on the probability of future hazard events.
- DMA Requirement §201.6(c)(2)(iii):** For multi-jurisdictional plans, the risk assessment must assess each jurisdiction’s risks where they vary from the risks facing the entire planning area.

### B. Jurisdiction Specific Risks

While a detailed hazard description and analysis can be found in the individual hazard profiles found in Volume 1 of this plan, as outlined below the District is susceptible to the following hazards.

Jurisdiction	Earthquake	Wildland Fire	Extreme Weather	Flood	Volcano	Haz Mat	Sinkholes
Twain Harte Community Services District	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

THCSD has the following unique risks:

- **Source Water Supply:** Failure of the PG&E and TUD ditch system can cause water delivery disruption.
- **Water Quality:** The possibility of biological, chemical and erosion problems can cause water delivery interruptions and require boil water notices.
- **Water Distribution System Failure:** The possibility of pipe breaks, tank leaks and pumping and treatment malfunctions can cause water delivery interruptions, sanitation and fire protection issues.
- **Wastewater Collection System Failure:** The possibility of sewer main breaks, clogs, lift station failure and infiltration/inflow from storm water can cause overflows that threaten public health and safety and pollute surface waters.
- **Dam Failure:** Shadybrook Reservoir dams could be compromised in severe weather events, causing some downstream flooding.



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## C. Jurisdiction Specific Hazard Event History

While a detailed hazard history can be found in the individual hazard profiles found in Volume 1 of this plan, the following events are specific to the District or have occurred in close proximity:

### Earthquake History

Historically, earthquake activity in Tuolumne County is significantly below the California state average. In fact, it has one of the lowest earthquake risks in the State. As outlined below, a total of 5 historical earthquake events with recorded magnitudes of 3.5 or greater occurred in or near (50 Miles) Tuolumne County this past century.

Date	Description	Distance from Sonora	Impacts
March 26, 1872	7.6 – 8.0 Magnitude	Epicenter Unknown	Unknown
June 25, 1933	6.1 Magnitude	49.6 Miles	Unknown
June 10, 1965	3.5 Magnitude	42.6 Miles	None
August 10, 1975	4.0 Magnitude	44.3 Miles	None
August 9, 1983	4.0 Magnitude	40.8 Miles	None

### Wildfire History

Numerous small fires occur on an annual basis in and around the District. The weather, topography and fuels in the area make fire a constant threat for typically 6 months a year. While a detailed fire history for the entire County can be found in Volume 1 of this plan the following is a sample of fires that have occurred in this general vicinity and share similar fuel types, weather, and topography.

Date	Description	Impacts
August, 1987	Stanislaus Complex	6 major fires burn 145,950 acres, 28 structures, and 1 life was lost.
September, 2004	Tuolumne Fire	750 acres burned and 1 firefighter fatality.
August 2013	Rim Fire	257,314 acres burned 112 Structures destroyed



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## Extreme Weather History

Many types of extreme weather impact the District, including but not limited to, drought, heavy rainfall, thunderstorms, heavy snow and windstorms. The following is a sample of some of the specific extreme weather events in and near the District.

Date	Description	Impacts
January - February 1969	Low elevation, heavy snow fall	Tree damage and transportation issues.
November 2010	Freeze	Significant damage to apple and olive crops
March 2011	Winter storm	Minor flooding and significant damage to structures caused by tree falls.
January 2014- April 2017	Drought	Governor's State of Emergency due to drought conditions. Tree Mortality as a cascading effect
January- February 2017	Winter Storm	Flooding caused significant damage to local infrastructure due to road, culvert, and slope failures
March 2017	High Winds	"Microburst" resulting in winds up to 105 mph causing damage to structures and infrastructure due to falling trees

## Volcanic History

There is no history of volcanic activity in recorded history. The proximity to volcanic active areas does present a remote threat of ash fall and the associated respiratory illnesses.

## Flooding

Flooding does not normally occur in this mountainous region; however, severe storm events in early 2017 caused Sullivan Creek to swell and overwhelm the Shadybrook Reservoir emergency spillway. Twain Harte Lake, within THCS D's boundaries, also risks the possibility of overwhelming the dam in extreme weather events. THCS D relies on the County, an NFIP participant, to regulate flood control issues.

## Hazardous Materials

While there is not a significant history of hazardous material spills or releases in the immediate area, the number of commercial occupancies and a state highway transecting the District make this threat a distinct possibility.

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## Sinkholes

There is a poorly documented history of small sinkholes and subsidence as a result of mining activity, below ground carbonated rock formations, and deteriorating culverts. The severe winter storms in early 2017 caused a sinkhole in Eproson Park on Meadow Drive.

### D. Jurisdiction Specific Hazard Ranking

Given the past history, the current conditions, and the overall life and property threat to the Twain Harte Community Services District the Planning Committee has deemed the probability and severity of each hazard as follows:

Twain Harte Community Services District	Wildfire	Earthquake	Volcano	Flood	Extreme Weather	Haz Mat	Sinkholes
Probability	H	L	L	L	M	L	L
Severity	H	H	L	M	H	L	L

L = Low, M= Medium, H = High

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## IV. VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT

### A. Overview

The vulnerability assessment is a summary of the hazard's impact to the District's vulnerable structures. District assets and development trends will be identified and assessed with respect to the developed hazard profiles to ascertain the potential amount of damage that could ensue from each identified hazard. This section will include: 1) A description of the critical buildings and infrastructure within the study areas including future building and land use decisions. 2) A general description of the extent of each hazard's impacts to these vulnerable structures, 3) An estimate of the potential dollar losses to vulnerable structures.

### B. DMA 2000 Requirements

<b>DMA Requirement §201.6(c)(2)(ii):</b>	The risk assessment shall include a description of the jurisdiction's vulnerability to the hazards described in paragraph (c)(2)(i) of this section. This description shall include an overall summary of each hazard and its impact on the community.
<b>DMA Requirement §201.6(c)(2)(ii)(A):</b>	The plan should describe vulnerability in terms of the types and numbers of existing and future buildings, infrastructure, and critical facilities located in the identified hazard areas . . . .
<b>DMA Requirement §201.6(c)(2)(ii)(B):</b>	The plan should describe vulnerability in terms of an estimate of the potential dollar losses to vulnerable structures identified in paragraph (c)(2)(i)(A) of this section and a description of the methodology used to prepare the estimate . . . .
<b>DMA Requirement §201.6(c)(2)(ii)(C):</b>	The plan should describe vulnerability in terms of providing a general description of land uses and development trends within the community so that mitigation options can be considered in future land decisions.
<b>DMA Requirement §201.6(c)(2)(iii):</b>	For multi-jurisdictional plans, the risk assessment must assess each jurisdiction's risks where they vary from the risks facing the entire planning area.

### C. Critical Facilities and Infrastructure

Critical facilities and infrastructure are those systems within each community whose incapacity or destruction would have a debilitating effect on the community's ability to recover subsequent to a major disaster. The following critical facility and infrastructure are categorized as follows:

1. **Emergency Services** for the health and welfare of the whole population (e.g., hospitals, police, fire stations, emergency operations centers, evacuation shelters, schools).



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2. **Lifeline Utility Systems** such as potable water, wastewater, oil, natural gas, electric power and communications systems.
3. **Transportation Systems** including railways, highways, waterways, airways and city streets to enable effective movement of services, goods and people.
4. **High Potential Loss Facilities** such as power plants, dams and levees.

### D. Jurisdictional Assets at Risk to Applicable Hazards

Critical Facilities and Infrastructure	Address/Location	Building/Facility Value	Wildfire	Flood	Earthquake	Landslides/ Sinkholes	Volcano	Extreme Weather	Hazardous Materials
THCSO Offices/Training	22912 Vantage Pointe Dr.	\$575,000	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Fire Training Center	22912 Vantage Pointe Dr.	\$150,000	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Emergency Storage Yard	22912 Vantage Pointe Dr.	\$75,000	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Fire Station	18781 Cedar Drive	\$475,000	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Community Center	18775 Manzanita Drive	\$250,000	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Park Stage/Restrooms	22901 Meadow Drive	\$500,000	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Operations Offices	23363 Mountain Drive	\$250,000	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Water Treatment Plant	23363 Mountain Drive	\$750,000	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Lab and Storage Building	23363 Mountain Drive	\$125,000	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Clarifier Tank	23363 Mountain Drive	\$175,000	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Sludge Tank	23363 Mountain Drive	\$100,000	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Clearwell Tank #1	23363 Mountain Drive	\$800,000	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Clearwell Tank #2	23363 Mountain Drive	\$800,000	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Backwash Basin	23363 Mountain Drive	\$85,000	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Black Oak Pump Station	23363 Mountain Drive	\$250,000	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Black Oak #3 Tank	23363 Mountain Drive	\$85,000	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Black Oak #2 Tank	23319 Korey Ct.	\$85,000	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Black Oak #1 Tank	23319 Korey Ct.	\$250,000	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cedar Pines Tank	22537 Cedar Pines Ave.	\$75,000	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Sherwood Forest Tank	22739 N. Tuolumne Rd.	\$125,000	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Well #3	22739 N. Tuolumne Rd.	\$250,000	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Well #1	22945 Meadow Dr.	\$250,000	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Well #2	23436 Shadybrook Dr.	\$300,000	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Shadybrook Pump Station	23436 Shadybrook Dr.	\$400,000	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Shadybrook Reservoir #1	23436 Shadybrook Dr.	\$500,000	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Shadybrook Reservoir #2	23394 Shadybrook Dr.	\$450,000	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Shadybrook Lift Station	23394 Shadybrook Dr.	\$65,000	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Redwing Lift Station	18197 Little Fuller Rd.	\$65,000	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mark Twain Lift Station	23190 Mark Twain Dr.	\$65,000	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Laurel Pump Station	18841 Laurel Ave.	\$165,000	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓



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### E. Methodology Used

To determine the number of critical structures and infrastructure at risk, a combination of field surveys, aerial photos and GIS maps, and Google Earth software were used. The methodology used in preparing the Vulnerability Estimate consisted of determining the value of critical buildings and facilities from insurance property schedules. Critical infrastructure values were established by using actual replacement costs which were determined by recent comparable replacement projects.

### F. Loss Estimations

Dollar losses to buildings and infrastructure vary depending upon the natural hazard occurring and the severity of the hazard. In general, earthquakes can extensively damage a wide area therefore critical structure and infrastructure losses should be estimated at a 100% value. Destruction from flooding takes place in specific areas and the damage is historically less severe than that of an earthquake. Thus, the estimated loss as a result of flooding should be calculated at the 50% level. Damage resulting from wildfires should be calculated at 25% of structural value for those structures located within 300 feet of the wildfire areas. Extreme weather could impact any portion of the jurisdiction. Historical data indicates that these events are extremely localized and a 10% loss should be anticipated.

### G. Development Trend Analysis

While the population of Tuolumne County is not expected to grow significantly in the next five years, there are Land Use policies and elements within the County General Plan to help assure orderly development when it does occur. No significant development has occurred since the initial plan was developed.

In addition, the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) of Tuolumne County is tasked with the mission to provide an orderly pattern of growth that reconciles the varied needs of the County. One of the fundamental principles of LAFCO is to ensure the establishment of an appropriate and logical municipal government structure for the distribution of efficient and appropriate public services. LAFCO Land Use Objectives include:

- The discouragement of urban sprawl
- Preservation of the physical and economic integrity of agricultural lands
- Preservation of open space within urban development patterns
- Orderly formation and development of agencies by shaping local agency boundaries
- The minimization of agencies providing services to a given area
- Utilization of Spheres of Influence to guide future development of agency boundaries.



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### V. CAPABILITY ASSESSMENT

The following resources are available to the jurisdiction in order to mitigate the effects of the identified hazards:

#### A. Legal and Regulatory

Twain Harte Community Services District is a Special District under California Government Code §61000 et seq. (Community Services Districts), authorized to provide the following services within District boundaries:

- Water distribution and treatment [GC §61100(a)]
- Sewer collection [GC §61100(b)]
- Structural and wildland fire suppression, technical rescue and emergency medical services, excluding ambulance [GC §61100(d) and (n)]
- Parks and recreation [GC §61100(e) and (f)]
- Acquire, construct, improve, maintain and operate community facilities [GC §61100(s)]
- Hydroelectric generation [GC §61100(u)]

The District relies on the County's authority for land use and planning issues.

#### B. Administrative and Technical

THCSD has the staff and organizational capability to implement the mitigation strategies proposed. The District maintains a tiered organizational approach that provides communication from the Board of Directors through the General Manager to the Fire Chief and the Department Heads. The five-member Board of Directors of the Twain Harte Community Services District are elected by the registered voters within the District boundaries. Directors serve 4 year staggered terms with elections occurring on even years, combined with the county wide general election.

THCSD has 13 employees, including 5 full-time operations staff (water, sewer, parks), 4 full-time fire staff and 4 full-time/part-time administrative staff. Relief fire captains are also employed to fill vacancies when needed and to ensure the fire station is staffed at all times. District personnel are licensed, certified and trained, as appropriate for each job description, which provides sufficient services to respond to a variety of hazard mitigation strategies.

In addition to regular paid staff, THCSD runs and sponsors the following volunteer programs that provide benefit to students and the community, while increasing the District and community's ability to implement hazard mitigation strategies:

- Volunteer Water/Sewer Internship Program: Normally consists of one or two students training on an irregular basis to find full-time employment in the water/wastewater field.
- Volunteer Fire Internship Program: Normally consists of 6 full-time volunteer student interns that train and provide service, two on each of three shifts. It also includes a Reserve Program with 4-8 student interns who wish to train with the fire crews on an irregular basis.



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- Community Emergency Response Team (CERT): THCS D has sponsored, trained and continues to train the Twain Harte CERT team, which is made up of about 40 community volunteers. CERT are not certified fire fighters, but they are trained to assist first responders and provide various support services in emergency and hazard situations. CERT also provides regular hazard mitigation training to the community.

The THCS D fire division is also supported by the Twain Harte Volunteers Firefighters Association, which engages in fundraising and community outreach.

Fire, water and sewer services are also augmented during large-scale hazard situation through mutual aid agreements. In 2014, THCS D entered into the California Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network Omnibus Mutual Assistance Agreement, which enable the District to provide or request staff and equipment from other participating agencies to mitigate and respond to hazard situations. In addition, THCS D helped develop and entered into the Countywide Master Mutual Aid Agreement for emergency services in 2016 with all local agencies, the County and Cal Fire. THCS D also has an agreement with the City of Sonora for use of their ladder truck and with Strawberry Fire District to provide administrative services.

### C. Financial

The District maintains a sound financial condition based on user fees, special assessments and property tax revenue, which are adequate to provide its authorized services with quality and efficiency in a professional, reliable and fiscally responsible manner. THCS D also maintains a stable basis for the application and acquisition of local, state and federal loans and grants.

The District's fiscal program provides for a limited amount of funding for infrastructure improvements and mitigation projects. Those pre- and post-disaster improvements could lessen the impacts caused by natural disasters. Some mitigation strategies are too costly to implement with District resources, however, and require outside sources of revenue.

### D. Physical Assets

In addition to the assets described in the Jurisdictional Profile Section and listed under the Jurisdictional Assets at Risk Section, the District owns and maintains the following equipment:

- Fire: 3 fire engines, 3 administrative vehicles and a CERT emergency trailer.
- Water/Sewer: Backhoe, dump truck, 5 service trucks, two trailer mounted generators, CCTV camera trailer, vacuum trailer and a sewer jetting trailer.

### E. Political Will of Community

The District Board of Directors recognizes the need for promoting and implementing hazard mitigation strategies. The reduction in potential effects from a natural disaster will prove to be a tangible result of such planning. Efforts to secure funding for large-scale hazard mitigation projects are supported by the Board of Directors.

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## VI. MITIGATION STRATEGY

### A. DMA 2000 Requirements

**DMA Requirement §201.6(c)(3)(i):** The hazard mitigation strategy shall include a description of mitigation goals to reduce or avoid long-term vulnerabilities to the identified hazards.

**DMA Requirement §201.6(c)(3)(ii):** The mitigation strategy shall include a section that identifies and analyzes a comprehensive range of specific mitigation actions and projects being considered to reduce the effects of each hazard, with particular emphasis on new and existing buildings and infrastructure.

### B. 2013 Mitigation Action Progress Report

2013 Jurisdiction Specific	Progress Made
Through newsletters, advertisements, speaking engagements and other public contacts, educate the general public and key stakeholders on the issues, responsibilities, and current efforts and successes in the area of disaster preparedness as they impact each agency.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Drought &amp; Tree Mortality workshops, mailers, ads and community group presentations.</li> <li>2) FOG (fats, oil and grease) joint advertisements.</li> <li>3) Rim Fire community meeting at THCSO.</li> <li>4) Developed and trained Twain Harte CERT team made of about 40 community volunteers.</li> <li>5) Twain Harte CERT has conducted several community hazard preparedness fairs</li> </ol>
Limit new development in hazardous areas, and as permissible, build to standards that will prevent or reduce damage.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Drought Task Force</li> <li>2) Tree Mortality Task Force</li> </ol>
In order to better protect life and property, continue to develop a more accurate and comprehensive series of countywide GIS geology, fire, and flood maps and data sets.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) JPA developed watershed mapping and GIS database</li> </ol>



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<p>Review and when necessary, update the jurisdiction’s Emergency Operations Plans and supporting documents to ensure coordination with the County’s new Emergency Services’ Plan.</p>	<p>1) Updated water emergency operations plan in 2017</p>
<p>Study and seek funding to increase the raw water storage of the Tuolumne Utilities District to ensure service for both domestic consumption and sanitary waste removal.</p>	<p>1) Obtained Prop 84 Drought grant to install two new wells in THCS D (interconnected to TUD and used to supply water to TUD during ditch outage after Lakewood Dam failed in 2017 storms. 2) Obtained CDPH grant to install one new well in THCS D.</p>
<p>Develop a program that would, in emergency situations, enable water districts and water companies to share water resources through inter-connections.</p>	<p>1) In 2014, entered into California Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network 2007 Omnibus Mutual Assistance Agreement, which enables water and sewer districts to share resources in emergency situations</p>
<p>Prevent wildfires through collaborative code enforcement efforts by working with Engine Company Captains and Fire Prevention staff to increase the education and enforcement of PRC 4291, defensible space rules</p>	<p>1) Adopted a new THCS D Fire Ordinance in April 2015 to require defensible space vegetation management on vacant parcels withing THCS D boundaries</p>
<p>In order to assist fire prevention efforts and to better manage large fires when they occur, continue to improve GIS mapping and tracking efforts by gathering and maintaining relevant GIS data layers and imagery and utilizing the best available mapping applications and software</p>	<p>1) Implemented use of Active 911 application for better dispatching and geospatial data of all THCS D hydrants and pre-plans. 2) Implemented use of tablet command application for better incident management through tablets and GIS location mapping.</p>
<p>Continue to work with the Hwy 108 Fire Safe Council and SWIFT to initiate fuel thinning and chipping projects in high priority areas. Collaborate with property owners and regulatory agencies in order to utilize prescribed fire on private and state owned lands in the county</p>	<p>1) THCS D completed three pipeline and fire hydrant upgrade projects - Mono Drive, Cedar Drive, Myrons</p>
<p>Work with the Tuolumne Utilities District to improve fire flow, system reliability and redundancy, and increased water supply in their responsibility areas</p>	<p>1) THCS D completed three pipeline and fire hydrant upgrade projects - Mono Drive, Cedar Drive, Myrons</p>



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Protect water conveyance system by reducing fuels adjacent to wooden flumes	1) Participated in development of joint Sierra Nevada Conservancy grant project to thin fuels around wooden flumes
Encourage participation of all Fire Agencies in the monthly Fire Chief Association meetings and support, when possible, efforts by the Association to improve fire protection and preventions efforts in the County	1) Entered into administrative services agreement with Strawberry Fire so that they are now represented at the Chief Association
Encourage participation in cooperative automatic and mutual aid agreements between Districts, the County and the City of Sonora	1) Collaborated to develop and implement a new Master Mutual Aid Agreement
Continue to support the work of utility districts in replacing sewer and water lines and portions of the flume that are the most vulnerable to an earthquake or landslide	1) Completed a sewer stabilization project at Twain Harte Lake to stabilize a sewer line that was vulnerable to a rock fracture and slide
Educate community members on the dangers associated with household hazardous materials including proper storage techniques	1) Completed inspections and pre-plans for all THCSO commercial businesses that have hazardous materials, made recommendations to owners and made the information available electronically



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### C. Goals, Objectives and Mitigation Actions 2018

**Goal 1** **Promote understanding and support for hazard mitigation by key stakeholders and the public within Tuolumne County.**

Applies to: All jurisdictions

Objective 1 Educate key stakeholders and the public to increase awareness of hazards and opportunities for mitigating hazards.

Mitigation Action 1A: Through newsletters, advertisements, speaking engagements and other public contacts, educate the general public and key stakeholders on the issues, responsibilities, and current efforts and successes in the area of disaster preparedness as they impact each agency.

Mitigation Action 1B: Conduct periodic workshops and promotion of the Emergency Notification Systems available to the public to ensure familiarity of the public to warning applications.

**Goal 2** **Ensure that future development is protected from natural disasters.**

Applies to: Tuolumne County, City of Sonora, Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians, and the Tuolumne Utilities District.

Objective 2 Limit new development in hazardous areas, and as permissible, build to standards that will prevent or reduce damage.

Mitigation Action 2A: Educate the County and City planning staffs, administrative staffs and elected officials on the importance of keeping current on trends and developments in disaster preparedness.

Mitigation Action 2B: Encourage planning staffs to attend seminars and lectures on naturally occurring hazards so that they may better assist the appropriate governing bodies as they process future developments.

Mitigation Action 2C: In order to better protect life and property, continue to develop a more accurate and comprehensive series of countywide

GIS geology, fire, and flood maps and data sets.



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### **Goal 3**

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**Build and support local capacity and commitment to minimize the jurisdictions within Tuolumne County's vulnerability to potential hazards.**

- Applies to: All jurisdictions
- Objective 3.1 Improve existing capabilities to manage emergency situations.
- Objective 3.2 Enhance the safety of residents, students and staff within the community and jurisdictions.
- Objective 3.3: Enhance the communications between agencies to support emergency response
- Mitigation Action 3.1A: In order to ensure that employees are available to assist during a major emergency, develop and adopt a Family Support Plan for all jurisdictions and County agencies.
- Mitigation Action 3.1B: Review and when necessary, update the jurisdiction's Emergency Operations Plans and supporting documents
- Mitigation Action 3.1C: Assist with Public Health Emergency Preparedness to plan and prepare for medical and healthcare impacts which would result from all hazards within the County
- Mitigation Action 3.2A: Review the initial planning requirements and research the development of standard operating procedures which would minimize helicopter operations over Sonora Elementary School as they utilize the helistop at Sonora Regional Medical Center
- Mitigation Action 3.2B: Support the efforts of the Tuolumne Utilities District to better protect public health by initiating a Watershed Sanitary Survey
- Mitigation Action 3.2C: Work with Fire Safe Councils and the County to identify opportunities for additional evacuation routes within single-access areas
- Mitigation Action 3.2D: TUD will study and seek funding to increase the raw water storage or establish a secure conveyance from Lyons Reservoir to ensure service for both domestic consumption and urban fire protection
- Mitigation Action 3.2E: Make improvements to wastewater systems by replacing or relining collection pipes so as to reduce sewer overflows and limit inflow and infiltration subsequently reducing the public health threat.
- Mitigation Action 3.2 F: Develop a program that would, in emergency situations, enable water districts and water companies to share water resources through interconnections
- Mitigation Action 3.2G: Develop a program to secure water rights for Tuolumne County



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Mitigation Action 3.2 H: Promote a county-wide sewer connection to reduce septic failure impacts and improve water quality.

Mitigation Action 3.2I: Promote land use recommendations that new developments occur adjacent to public water and wastewater facilities.

Mitigation Action 3.3: Build and maintain communications between County agencies, Special Districts, and the Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians to assist in the response to emergencies

**Goal 4**                    **Minimize the level of damage and losses to people, existing and future critical facilities and infrastructure due to flooding.**

Applies to:                    Tuolumne County, City of Sonora, Curtis Creek School District, Belleview School District

Objective 4                    Enhance the ability of community assets, particularly critical facilities, located in the 100-year floodplain to handle existing and projected flood levels

Mitigation Action 4A        Work to improve localized flood prone areas through a combination of vegetation management and storm drain improvements. (i.e. Sonora, Curtis, Sullivan, and Woods Creeks)

Mitigation Action 4B:        Maintain compliance with the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) requirements.

Mitigation Action 4C:        Through the Development Process Review Team, restrict construction of essential service facilities in the 100-year flood plain.

Mitigation Action 4D:        In order to better protect life and property, record a notice on properties located in flood zones utilizing FIRM maps and notify property owners of said action.

Mitigation Action 4E:        Continue to work cooperatively with the state and federal flood related agencies for funding improvements through grant and agency programs.

Mitigation Action 4F:        Seek funding sources for and initiate watershed improvement projects for the County.

Mitigation Action 4G:        Study ways to improve drainage to prevent erosion on the steep slopes of the Curtis Creek campus and seek funding sources for mitigation.

Mitigation Action 4H:        Study ways to improve drainage to prevent erosion on the steep slopes of the Belleview School campus and seek funding sources for mitigation.



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Mitigation Action 4I: Work with Belleview School to identify and evaluate opportunities to create additional evacuation routes within the single-access areas in the district.

**Goal 5** **Minimize the level of damage and losses to people, existing and future critical facilities and infrastructure due to wildland fires.**

Applies to: All Jurisdictions

Objective 5.1 Continue the comprehensive approach to reducing the level of damage and losses due to wildland fires through vegetation management, code enforcement, GIS mapping, and planning process.

Objective 5.2 Enhance collaboration amongst all fire agencies and stakeholders.

Mitigation Action 5.1A: In order to assist fire prevention efforts and to better manage large fires when they occur, continue to improve GIS mapping and tracking efforts by gathering and maintaining relevant GIS data layers and imagery and utilizing the best available mapping applications and software.

Mitigation Action 5.1B: Continue to work with the Hwy 108 Fire Safe Council, Yosemite Foothills FireSafe Council, and SWIFT to initiate fuel thinning and chipping projects in high priority areas. Collaborate with property owners and regulatory agencies in order to utilize prescribed fire on private and state owned lands in the county.

Mitigation Action 5.1C: Fire Safe Council, Yosemite Foothills Fire Safe Council, and SWIFT to update as needed the Community Wildfire Protection Plans for the County so that they will continue to:

- - Assess the fire hazard in the County
- - Prioritize treatment areas
- - Enhance collaboration amongst all fire agencies and stakeholders
- - Streamline environmental review processes

Mitigation Action 5.1D: Improve water supply and storage for firefighting use at the Curtis Creek Campus.

Mitigation Action 5.1E: Develop a wildfire evacuation plan which includes sheltering in place at Curtis Creek School.

Mitigation Action 5.1F: Work with the Tuolumne Utilities District to improve fire flow, system reliability and redundancy, and increased water supply in their responsibility areas.

Mitigation Action 5.1G: Protect water conveyance system by reducing fuels adjacent to wooden flumes.



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- Mitigation Action 5.1H: Develop a County Fire Agency GIS layer showing fire water draft locations.
- Mitigation Action 5.1I: Work with the Lake Don Pedro Community Services District to improve system reliability and redundancy, and increased water supply in their responsibility areas.
- Mitigation Action 5.1J: Work with the Lake Don Pedro Community Services District and PG&E to improve the reliability of the electrical grid in Don Pedro and provide for emergency backup power supply to be used during power outages at critical water system facilities.
- Mitigation Action 5.2A: Encourage participation of all Fire Agencies in the monthly Fire Chief Association meetings and support, when possible, efforts by the Association to improve fire protection and preventions efforts in the County.
- Mitigation Action 5.2B: Encourage participation in cooperative automatic and mutual aid agreements between Districts, the County and the City of Sonora.

**Goal 6**                    **Minimize the level of damage and losses to people, existing and future critical facilities and infrastructure due to geological events (earthquakes, volcanoes, landslides, and sinkholes)**

- Applies to:                    All jurisdictions
- Objective 6                    Continue public education efforts so as to better prepare the citizens of Tuolumne County from the effects of a significant geological event
- Mitigation Action 6A:       Working with Cal OES, increase participation in earthquake preparedness activities such as the annual Great California Shake-Out drill
- Mitigation Action 6B:       Continue to support the work of utility districts in replacing sewer and water lines and portions of the flume that are the most vulnerable to an earthquake or landslide

**Goal 7**                    **Limit risk to, and impacts from hazardous materials spills, intentional discharges, illegal disposals, transportation accidents, or system failures**

- Applies to:                    All Jurisdictions



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- Objective 7.1 Continue efforts to manage the use, sale, distribution and disposal of hazardous materials in Tuolumne County
- Objective 7.2 Improve emergency response efforts in the control and clean-up of accidental spills and releases
- Mitigation Action 7.1A: Educate community members on the dangers associated with household hazardous materials including proper storage techniques
- Mitigation Action 7.1B: Continue efforts to educate applicable employees on the handling, use, storage and disposal of hazardous materials utilized in the workplace
- Mitigation Action 7.2A: In coordination with the Environmental Health Director, develop procedures to enhance the response to Hazardous Material Incidents

### **Goal 8 Minimize the level of damage and losses to people, existing and future infrastructure, and critical facilities due to extreme weather**

Applies to: All Jurisdictions

- Objective 8.1 Continue the comprehensive approach to reducing the level of damage and losses due to extreme weather and drought through GIS mapping, planning process, and the removal of dead and dying trees.
- Mitigation Action 8.1A: Analyze and remove hazards that threaten public safety due to the cascading effects of drought such as dry wells and tree mortality
- Mitigation Action 8.1B: Encourage water agencies to conduct water supply evaluations for each public water system to determine the effect of drought on community water supply
- Mitigation Action 8.1C: Work with the Lake Don Pedro Community Services District to improve the availability and reliability of Lake McClure pumping capacities at lower water surface elevations
- Mitigation Action 8.1D: Work with the Lake Don Pedro Community Services District to increase groundwater supply and/or identify other alternate water sources to be used when drought and related reservoir operational requirements diminish the water supply available from Lake McClure

#### D. How Mitigation Goals Address Existing and New Buildings and Infrastructure

The following tables demonstrate how the proposed mitigation goals take into account both existing and new buildings and infrastructure.

MITIGATION GOALS	EXISTING BUILDINGS AND INFRASTRUCTURE						
	Electrical and Power Infrastructure	Dams and Water Management	Communication Facilities	Critical Roads & Bridges	Essential Service Facilities (Fire, Law, Hospitals)	Agricultural Infrastructure	Public Structures
<b>Goal 1-General Mitigation:</b> Promote understanding and support for hazard mitigation by key stakeholders and the public within the County of Tuolumne.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Goal 2-General Mitigation:</b> Ensure that future development is protected from natural disasters.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Goal 3-General Mitigation:</b> Build and support local capacity and commitment to minimize the County of Tuolumne’s vulnerability to potential hazards.		X		X	X	X	X
<b>Goal 4-Flood:</b> Minimize the level of damage and losses to people, existing and future critical facilities and infrastructure due to flooding.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X



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<p><b>Goal 5-Wildfire:</b> Minimize the level of damage and losses to people, existing and future critical facilities and infrastructure due to wildfire.</p>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<p><b>Goal 6-Earthquake:</b> Minimize the level of damage and losses to people, existing and future critical facilities and infrastructure due to earthquake, landslide and sinkholes.</p>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<p><b>Goal 7- Hazardous Materials:</b> Limit risk to, and impacts from hazardous materials spills, intentional discharges, illegal disposals, transportation accidents, or system failures</p>		X			X	X	X
<p><b>Goal 8- Extreme Weather:</b> Minimize the level of damage and losses to people, existing and future critical facilities, and infrastructure due to extreme weather.</p>	X	X		X	X		X

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MITIGATION GOALS	NEW PROJECTS/BUILDINGS AND INFRASTRUCTURE					
	Residential Subdivisions	Various mixed use projects (residential and commercial)	Ag Clusters (residential, open space, and Ag uses)	Commercial and Industrial Projects	Essential Service Facilities	Public Structures
<b>Goal 1-General Mitigation:</b> Promote understanding and support for hazard mitigation by key stakeholders and the public within the County of Tuolumne.	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
<b>Goal 2-General Mitigation:</b> Ensure that future development is protected from natural disasters.	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
<b>Goal 3-General Mitigation:</b> Build and support local capacity and commitment to minimize the County of Tuolumne's vulnerability to potential hazards.	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
<b>Goal 4-Flood:</b> Minimize the level of damage and losses to people, existing and future critical facilities and infrastructure due to flooding.	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>

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<p><b>Goal 5-Wildfire:</b> Minimize the level of damage and losses to people, existing and future critical facilities and infrastructure due to wildfire.</p>	X	X	X	X	X	X
<p><b>Goal 6-Earthquake:</b> Minimize the level of damage and losses to people, existing and future critical facilities and infrastructure due to earthquake, landslide and sinkholes.</p>	X	X	X	X	X	X
<p><b>Goal 7-Hazardous Materials:</b> Limit risk to, and impacts from hazardous materials spills, intentional discharges, illegal disposals, transportation accidents, or system failures</p>	X	X	X	X	X	X
<p><b>Goal 8- Extreme Weather:</b> Minimize the level of damage and losses to people, existing and future critical facilities, and infrastructure due to extreme weather.</p>	X	X			X	X

## VII. MITIGATION ACTION IMPLEMENTATION

### A. DMA 2000 Requirements:

<b>DMA Requirement §201.6(c)(4)(i):</b>	The plan maintenance process shall include a section describing the method and schedule of monitoring, evaluating, and updating the mitigation plan within a five-year cycle.
<b>DMA Requirement §201.6(c)(4)(ii):</b>	The plan shall include a process by which local governments incorporate the requirements of the mitigation plan into other planning mechanisms such as comprehensive or capital improvement plans, when appropriate.
<b>DMA Requirement §201.6(c)(3)(iii):</b>	The mitigation strategy section shall include an action plan describing how the actions identified in section (c)(3)(ii) will be prioritized, implemented, and administered by the local jurisdiction. Prioritization shall include a special emphasis on the extent to which benefits are maximized according to a cost benefit review of the proposed projects and their associated costs.
<b>DMA Requirement §201.6(c)(3)(iv)</b>	For multi-jurisdictional plans, there must be identifiable action items specific to the jurisdiction requesting FEMA approval or credit of the plan.

### B. Prioritization of Mitigation Actions

The Mitigation actions were prioritized using a system which is outlined below. This system factored in the following components: 1) Probability of Occurrence 2) Effectiveness of Mitigation Actions, 3) Practicality of mitigation action for the jurisdiction based on the STAPLE+E criteria of Social, Technical, Administrative, Political, Legal, Economic and Environmental components. This gave rise to the development of an overall relative risk value that resulted in ratings of HIGH, MEDIUM and LOW for each of the mitigation actions. The resultant prioritization was presented to key stakeholders and lengthy discussions were held to ensure that the results were indeed applicable to the priorities and capabilities of the jurisdictions' served.



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## Sample Mitigation Action Prioritization Worksheet

Mitigation Action	Probability of Associated Threat Occurrence Low=1 Med.=2 High=3	Effectiveness of Mitigation Action Minimal=1 Moderate=2 High=3	Practicality (based on STAPLE+E criteria) Low=1 Medium=2 High=3	Relative Risk (Product of Risk Components)
1.A	3	2	3	18

In assessing and evaluating each strategy, the following factors were considered:

- The benefit justified the cost
- The availability of financial resources
- The availability of staff resources
- Impact on County department functions
- Strategies reflect the goals and objectives

### C. Action Plan

Once the MJHMP has received formal adoption by the Board of Supervisors and the various governing bodies the following action plan, agreed upon by Hazard Mitigation Planning Group, will be used to ensure the Plan is implemented and remains an active and relevant document. Actual implementation may be dependent upon funding availability.

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## ACTION PLAN FOR TUOLUMNE COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL PLAN

MITIGATION ACTION		IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY			
ID	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT	FUNDING SOURCES	TIME TO COMPLETE	PRIORITY
1.A	Educate Public and Stakeholders	OES – lead All support	General Funds	Ongoing	Medium
1.B	Promote Everbridge	OES- lead All Support	None Required	Ongoing	Low
2.A	Educate Staff	OES – lead All support	None Required	Ongoing	Medium
2.B	Continuing Education	OES –lead All support	General Funds	Ongoing	Medium
2.C	Improve GIS Capabilities	County CRA, City of Sonora & CAL Fire	General Funds	36 Months	Medium
3.1A	Develop/ Adopt Family Support Plan	All agencies OES support	General Funds	12 Months	Medium
3.1B	Emergency Operations Plans	All agencies OES support	None Required	12 Months	Medium
3.1C	Medical Preparedness	Public Health-Lead	None Required	Ongoing	Medium
3.2A	Helicopter Operations	OES	None Required	Ongoing	Low
3.2B	Watershed Survey	TUD	Grant	12 Months	Medium
3.2C	Single Access Routes	Fire Safe Council and Community Resources	Grant and General Fund	36 Months	Medium
3.2D	Raw Water Storage	TUD	Grant	24 Months	Medium
3.2E	Wastewater System Improvements	TUD	General Fund & Grants	24 Months	High
3.2F	Water Interconnections	All water agencies	None Required	36 Months	Medium



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3.2G	Water Rights	All water agencies	Grants & General Funds	Ongoing	Medium
3.2H	Promote Sewer Connection	Water Agencies with support of all agencies	None Required	Ongoing	Low
3.2I	Promote Development adjacent water facilities	Water Agencies with support of all agencies	None Required	Ongoing	Low
3.3	Maintain Communications	All agencies	None Required	Ongoing	Medium
4.A	Creek/Storm Drain Management	County CRA and City of Sonora	General Fund	Fall of each year	Low
4.B	NFIP Requirements	County CRA and City of Sonora	General Fund	Ongoing	Medium
4.C	Development Review	County CRA and City of Sonora	General Fund	Ongoing	Medium
4.D	Notice Property Owners	County CRA and City of Sonora	General Fund	24 Months	Medium
4.E	Storm Drain Improvements	County CRA and City of Sonora	Grants	Ongoing	Medium
4.F	County Watershed Projects	County CRA	Grants	36 Months	Medium
4.G	Drainage	Curtis Creek School District	Grants	24 Months	Medium
4.H	Drainage	Bellevue School District	Grants	24 Months	Medium
4.I	Single Access Routes	Bellevue School	Grants	24 Months	Medium
5.1A	Improve GIS Mapping and Tracking	CAL Fire-County Fire	General Fund	36 Months	Medium
5.1B	Fuel Thinning and Chipping Projects	All fire agencies	Grants	Ongoing	High
5.1C	Community Wildfire Protection Plan Update	CAL Fire-County Fire	General Fund	12 Months	Medium
5.1D	Improve Water Supply/ Storage at Curtis Creek School	Curtis Creek School District	Grants	24 Months	High



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5.1E	Evacuation Plans for Curtis Creek	District Superintendent with fire agencies supporting	None Required	12 Months	High
5.1F	Water Supply/Fire Flow	TUD, with fire agencies supporting	General Funds and Grants	36 Months	High
5.1G	Protect Flumes	TUD, with fire agencies supporting	General Funds and Grants	Ongoing	Medium
5.1H	County Fire GIS Layer	County GIS- Lead OES- Support	General Funds	36 Months	Low
5.1I	Increase Water Supply for Lake Don Pedro CSD	Lake Don Pedro CSD- Lead OES-Support	General Funds and Grants	36 Months	Medium
5.1J	Increase Alternate Power Source for Lake Don Pedro	Lake Don Pedro CSD- Lead OES-Support	General Funds and Grants	24 Months	Medium
5.2A	Fire Chiefs Association	All fire agencies	None Required	Ongoing	Medium
5.2B	Mutual/Auto Aid	All fire agencies	None Required	Ongoing	Medium
6.A	Earthquake Preparedness Exercises	OES – lead All support	None Required	Fall of Each Year	Medium
6.B	Replace Vulnerable Water/Sewer Lines	TUD	General Fund	24 Months	Medium
7.1A	Educate Community on Hazardous Materials	OES – lead All support	None Required	Ongoing	Medium
7.1B	Educate Staff on Hazardous Materials	OES – lead All support	None Required	Ongoing	Medium



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7.2A	Improve Response Capabilities	Environmental Health– lead fire agencies support	None Required	Ongoing	Medium
8.1A	Removal of safety hazards caused by dry wells and Tree Mortality	All Agencies	Grant	36 Months	High
8.1B	Water Supply Evaluation at Lake McClure	Lake Don Pedro CSD- Lead OES Support	Grant and General Fund	24 Months	Medium
8.1C	Improve Pumping Capacity at Lake McClure	Lake Don Pedro CSD- Lead OES Support	Grant and General Fund	24 Months	Medium
8.1D	Alternate Water Sources to Lake McClure	Lake Don Pedro CSD- Lead OES Support	Grant and General Fund	36 Months	Medium

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## D. Implementation Through Existing Plans and Programs

The general administrative oversight of this MJHMP rests with the Tuolumne County Office of Emergency Services. Tuolumne County currently uses comprehensive land use planning, capital improvements planning, and building codes to guide and control development within the County. This MJHMP will be provided to those responsible for the County's General Plan development mechanisms to ensure that consistency is maintained. The same holds true whenever substantive changes are made.

Specific Mitigation Actions have been assigned to this jurisdiction. These individual actions will fall under the general administrative oversight of the local governing body and will be incorporated into the existing Plans and Programs. Should technical expertise not be available in these agencies, the County Office of Emergency Services is committed to, when possible, coordinating the resources of the County to assist with implementation of the mitigation

## E. Continued Public Involvement

Tuolumne County and the District understand the importance of involving the public in the ongoing Hazard Mitigation Plan review and updating process. Resultantly, the following actions will be taken:

- A copy of the MJHMP will be posted on the County website and specific instructions will detail how to contact the County OES for suggestions on future plan edits.
- Hard copies of the Plan will be available at the County Office of Emergency Services and the County Library

## F. Plan Monitoring, Evaluating and Updating

**DMA Requirement §201.6(d)(3):** A local jurisdiction must review and revise its plan to reflect changes in development, progress in local mitigation efforts, and changes in priorities, and resubmit if for approval within 5 years in order to continue to be eligible for mitigation project grant funding.

In order to continue to be an effective representation of each jurisdiction's overall strategy for reducing its risks from natural hazards, the mitigation plan must reflect current conditions. Monitoring and evaluating the plan will occur annually to make certain that the goals and objectives for the County and participating jurisdictions are current and mitigation activities are being carried out.

To ensure that regular review and update of this Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan takes place, the County Office of Emergency Services will communicate with the MJHMP Planning Group members annually to see if their plan components are up-to-date and meet current realities.

The MJHMP Planning Group will review each goal and objective to evaluate its:

- Relevance to current and evolving situations in Tuolumne County



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- Consistency with changes in local, state and federal policy

The planning group will review the risk assessment component of the plan to ascertain if the information needs to be updated or modified. Each jurisdiction will report on:

- Current status of their mitigation actions
- How coordination efforts are proceeding
- Implementation processes that worked well
- Any difficulties encountered
- Any strategies in need of revision

If the plan review leads the Hazard Mitigation Planning Group to determine that modifications are necessary, then the County or the applicable jurisdiction can initiate a plan amendment.

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## Acronyms

<b>Acronym</b>	<b>Definition</b>
CGS	California Geological Survey
Cal EPA	California Environmental Protection Agency
Caltrans	California Department of Transportation
CAL Fire	California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection
CDF	California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection
CDHS	California Department of Health Services
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CGS	California Geological Survey
CISN	California Integrated Seismic Network
CSSC	California Seismic Safety Commission
DFG	State Department of Fish and Game
DHS	Department of Homeland Security
DWR	Department of Water Resources
FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Agency
FIRM	Flood Insurance Rate Map
FMA	Flood Mitigation Assistance
FMP	Floodplain Management Plan
FRAP	Fire and Resource Assessment Program
GIS	Geographic Information System
HMGP	Hazard Mitigation Grant Program
LHMP	Local Hazard Mitigation Plan
NFIP	National Flood Insurance Program
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
NPS	National Park Services
OES	Governor's Office of Emergency Services
SEMS	Standardized Emergency Management System
SFHA	Special Flood Hazard Area
USDA	U.S. Department of Agriculture
USGS	U.S. Geological Survey



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## TWAIN HARTE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT RESOLUTION ADOPTING AN UPDATED LOCAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

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RESOLUTION NO. 12-18

WHEREAS, Twain Harte Community Services District recognized the threat that natural hazards pose to people and property within our community; and

WHEREAS, undertaking hazard mitigation actions will reduce the potential for harm to people and property from future hazard occurrences; and

WHEREAS, an adopted Hazard Mitigation Plan is required as a condition of future funding for mitigation projects under multiple FEMA pre- and post-disaster mitigation grant programs; and

WHEREAS, Twain Harte Community Services District fully participated in the mitigation planning process to update the Tuolumne County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan and has prepared this similar Hazard Mitigation Plan as an Appendix to the County Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Twain Harte Community Services District hereby adopts the 2012 updated Twain Harte Community Services District Local Hazard Mitigation Plan as an official plan to be added to the Tuolumne County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan: and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in coordination with the County of Tuolumne, Twain Harte Community Services District agrees to forward this updated Twain Harte Community Services District Local Hazard Mitigation Plan and Resolution to the California Office of Emergency Management officials to enable the updated Tuolumne County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan's final approval.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the following vote on November 8, 2012.

AYES: \_\_\_\_\_ DIRECTORS: Maxwell, Sipowick, Johnson, Knudson, Jordan  
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Philip Maxwell, Chairperson of the Board of Directors

ATTEST:  
  
Jeanne Lawton,  
Secretary to Board of Directors