

# Crook County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Crook County and the municipalities of Hulett, Moorcroft, Pine Haven, and Sundance developed this mitigation plan in 2012-2013. This is the original hazard mitigation plan for these jurisdictions.

This revision was prepared by the Crook County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management with the assistance of contractors, Beck Consulting and AMEC Earth and Environmental. The content of the plan relies on the advice and guidance of the Emergency Management Coordinator, Local Emergency Planning Committee, elected officials, local government staff, and members of the public. There was a high level of direct involvement of the local jurisdictions' elected officials. Existing local plans were reviewed to ensure consistency between the plans.

The draft plan was made available at city/town and county offices and online for a four-week public review period.

A total of 13 hazards, 12 natural and one human (hazmat), were identified and profiled for the county. These hazards included; dam failure, drought, earthquakes, expansive soils, floods, hail, hazardous materials, landslides, land subsidence, lightning, tornadoes, wildland fire, and winter storms and blizzards.

The goals and action items in this MHMP revision were developed after consideration of:

- the history of disasters in the county,
- the vulnerability of property, infrastructure, and lives, and
- resources and capacities available.

### Hazard Mitigation Goals

Five goals were identified during the planning process. Each of the five local jurisdictions had their own goal to “*mitigate natural hazards to reduce the potential for property loss or damage and loss of life*” for the specific jurisdiction. A total of 27 projects were identified by the jurisdictions to implement the goals.

The following types of projects were identified under one or more goals; education and awareness, emergency services, preparation, prevention, natural resources, and structural. The projects addressed flood, hazmat, tornado, wildland fire, winter storms and blizzards.