Chapter 5
CAPABILITY ASSESSMENT

The following table is a list of current policies and regulations adopted by the Town of Wilmot that protect people and property from natural and man-made hazards. The Town reviewed and incorporated mitigation strategies into these policies and regulations, as appropriate. The table includes a description of the policy, the responsible agent, the policy's effectiveness and recommended changes to improve mitigation efforts.

Integration of Mitigation Priorities into Planning and Regulatory Tools

Many of the existing regulations as noted above should be regularly reviewed. This review process can lead to revisions that will incorporate mechanisms to assist in the implementation of the hazard mitigation priorities as defined in this *Plan.* This review will continue to be a priority of the Wilmot Emergency Management Director and will likely include yearly requests in the annual budget process. Moreover, as suggested in the onset of this document, this *Plan* is a planning tool to be used by the Town of Wilmot, as well as other local, state, and federal governments, in the effort to reduce future losses from natural and/or man-made hazardous events before they occur. Under the Prioritized Mitigation Projects *Action Plan* (found in Chapter 6), all parties listed under the Responsibility/Oversight category shall also review this listing annually and consider the listed (and updated) mitigation projects within their annual budget requests.

Existing Protection Matrix Wilmot, NH				
Existing Protection	**Description**	**Responsible Agent**	**Effectiveness *Poor/Average/Exc*.**	**Status**
Bridge Maintenance Program	There are currently no bridges (non-wooden) on the State Red List. Inspection occurs annually. The state inspects all bridges and maintains State bridges.	Road Agent/State DOT	Average	Continue application for state and federal funds.
Building Code	The town complies with the State of New Hampshire Building Code which incorporates the IBC, IPC and NFPA.	State of NH / Fire Chief / Board of Selectmen are Code Enforcement	Average	Meets International Building Code
Capital Improvement Program	A decision making tool used to plan and schedule town improvements over at least a six-year period. The CIP provides a suggested timeline for budgeting and implementing needed capital improvements.	Planning Board	n/a	Updated 2017
Community Rating System	The town is currently not participating in the CRS. The CRS provides Flood Insurance Premium reductions based on the reduced flood risk resulting from community activities	Board of Selectmen	n/a	Not participating at this time. Will consider in the future
Elevation Certificates Maintained	Elevation certificates are maintained for new and substantially built structures in the 100-yer floodplain.	Board of Selectmen	Average	Selectmen continue to administer, enforce, and ensure that Elev. Cert. are properly filed, certified and implemented.
Emergency Operations Plan	The Town maintains an EOP that meets the recommendations by the NH Homeland Security Emergency Management. This plan identifies the response procedures and capabilities of the Town of Wilmot in the event of a natural or man-made disaster.	EMD	Average	Updated in 2017
Emergency Warning System	The Town maintains a reverse notification system E911 Emergency Notification System (ENS) to notify the public of emergency incidents.	Police/Fire	Average	Promote NH alerts

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Existing Protection	**Description**	**Responsible Agent**	**Effectiveness *Poor/Average/Exc*.**	**Status**
Floodplain Ordinance	The minimum National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) requirements have been adopted as part of the Town's Zoning Ordinance. This regulates all new and substantially improved structures located in the 100-year floodplain, as identified on the FEMA Flood Maps.	Board of Selectmen	Average	Currently Participating
Greater Sullivan County Public Health Network (PHN)	The Greater Sullivan County Public Health Network works to assure coordinated and comprehensive delivery of essential public health services and serves as a local liaison with state agencies involved in the public's health and safety.	Health Officer	Average	Currently a member of the PHN.
Hazardous Materials Plan / Team	There is one substantial Hazardous Material facilities that has a HazMat Plan. There is also a regional HazMat response team that serves the town.	Fire Chief	Average	Central NH Hazardous Materials Response Team currently provides hazmat response
Master Plan	The Master Plan (Updated 218) serves as the guiding document for future development in Wilmot. It also serves as the guiding document to assist the Planning Board as it updates the Town Zoning Ordinance, Subdivision and Site Plan Review Regulations.	Planning Board	Average	Incorporate Haz Mit Plan as part of Master Plan
Public Education Programs	The Fire Department annually conducts a Fire Prevention Week and Awareness which includes all the schools. The Police Department conducts periodic safety program. The Greater Sullivan County Public Health Network conducts public health education.	Police/Fire	Average	Add emergency management related information on the town's website

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Road Design Standards	Wilmot Subdivision and Site Plan Regulations include road design standards that control the amount and retention of storm water runoff.	Planning Board	Average	Planning Board reviews annually.
Shoreland Protection Program	Establishes minimum standards for future subdivision, use, and development of shore lands within 250' of the state's public waters (4th Order or higher).	NH DES	Average	Continue to update regulations as required by State
Storm Drain / Culvert Maintenance	The Wilmot Road Agent and the State DOT clean the drainage basins as needed and after major flooding events. Culverts are repaired as needed.	Road Agent	Average	Continue to maintain and upgrade culverts.
Subdivision Regulations	The purpose of Wilmot's subdivision regulations is to provide for the orderly present and future development of the town by promoting the public health, safety, convenience and welfare of the town's residents.	Planning Board / Fire Chief	Average	None
Wetlands Protection	The Zoning Ordinance contains wetland buffer regulations as required by the State DES.	Conservation Commission / Planning Board / State DES	Average	Reviewed by the Planning Board and C.C. to ensure compliance.
Zoning Ordinance	Wilmot has enacted a zoning ordinance and map to protect the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the town from the effects of ill considered and indiscriminate use of land.	Planning board	Average	Reviewed annually