

# HELP US MAKE HAZARD MITIGATION PLANNING MORE MEANINGFUL



## STUDY PARTICIPATION

Have you ever been perplexed by hazard mitigation plan (HMP) requirements? Is your jurisdiction's HMP expired? Is your jurisdiction lacking resources to get the plan done? Do you have ideas for how the process could be improved? Do you wish your HMP had a broader impact on your community?

If so, you may be interested in participating in a research study with the Southern Climate Impacts Planning Program and the National Hazard Mitigation Association. It will give you the opportunity to provide input that may affect future FEMA HMP resources, tools, and training.

## TIME COMMITMENT

If you are selected to participate, you will be involved over the course of two years, but your time commitment will only be about 24 hours total. You will be placed into one of five cohorts based on geographical areas. The key events in which you will be expected to participate include:

- 2-hour virtual meeting (May 2023)
- 2-hour virtual meeting (Summer 2023)
- ¾-day in-person meeting within each cohort's geographical area (Fall 2023)
- ½-day virtual meeting (Spring 2024)

Mileage cost reimbursement and food will be provided for the in-person meeting.

## WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE?



You work in Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, or Texas;



You are a planner, emergency manager, city/town manager, consultant, or related official;



And you work in or with a municipality or county/parish that has limited capacity to develop and carry out hazard mitigation planning and implementation.

**DEADLINE EXTENDED! SUBMIT YOUR INTEREST FORM BY APRIL 12, 2023.**

Find the form at <https://tinyurl.com/HMPstudy> or use the QR code to the right. A 30-minute informational webinar about the project was hosted on March 17, 2023. Visit [www.southernclimate.org](http://www.southernclimate.org) to view the recording. Questions? Contact Darrian Bertrand at [dbertrand@ou.edu](mailto:dbertrand@ou.edu) or 405-325-6321.

