



**BAY COUNTY**  
**LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY WORKING GROUP**  
Gulf Coast State College, Student Union Room East 232  
November 13, 2024 at 9:00 AM



**MEMBERSHIP**

**Emergency Management (Non-Voting)**

, Chairman  
Brandon Barrette, Coordinator  
Jennifer Wilburn, Recording Secretary

**Bay County Members**

Wayne Porter, Bay County  
Ian Crelling (ALT), Bay County  
Keith Bryant, Bay County (Co-Chair)  
Josee Cyr (ALT), Bay County  
Natasha Lithway, Bay County (Non-Voting)  
Kimberly Cummings, Bay County SO (Non-Voting)

**City of Callaway Members**

Eddie Cook, City of Callaway  
David Joyner (ALT), City of Callaway  
William (Bill) Frye, City of Callaway  
Lisa Koepke (ALT), City of Callaway

**City of Lynn Haven Members**

Chris Lightfoot, City of Lynn Haven  
Vickie Gainer, (ALT), City of Lynn Haven  
Fire Chief, City of Lynn Haven  
Bobby Baker, (ALT), City of Lynn Haven

**City of Mexico Beach Members**

Chris Truitt, City of Mexico Beach  
Tommy Davis (ALT), City of Mexico Beach  
Sandy Walker, City of Mexico Beach  
Glenn Davis (ALT), City of Mexico Beach

**City of Panama City Members**

Jennifer Aldridge, City of Panama City  
Jared Jones (ALT), City of Panama City  
David Collier, City of Panama City  
(ALT), City of Panama City

**City of Panama City Beach Members**

Kathy Younce, City of Panama City Beach  
Marcie Douglas (ALT), City of Panama City Beach  
Mark McWaters, City of Panama City Beach  
Michael Martin (ALT), City of Panama City Beach

**City of Parker Members**

Tony Summerlin, City of Parker  
Brent Faile (ALT), City of Parker

Andrew Kelly, City of Parker  
Taylor Jeffreys (ALT), City of Parker

**City of Springfield Members**

Miles Grice City of Springfield  
Ralph Hammond (ALT), City of Springfield  
Jeanie Baldwin, City of Springfield  
Teresa Cox (ALT), City of Springfield

**Bay District School Members**

Lee Walters, School District  
Roy Lilja (ALT), School District

**Not-For-Profit Members**

Bob Price, Team Rubicon  
Jim Price (ALT), Team Rubicon  
Anthony Cornett, American Red Cross  
Stephen Harvard (ALT), American Red Cross  
Donna Pilson, Rebuild Bay County Inc.  
Karen Landry, Rebuild Bay County Inc.

**Private Business Sector Members**

Jim Slonina, Panhandle Engineering, Inc.  
Doug Crook (ALT), Panhandle Engineering, Inc.  
Dan Rowe, Tourism Development Commission  
J. Michael Brown, Tourism Dev. Commission

**Public Representation Members**

Citizen Representative

**Other Representation (Non-Voting)**

Robert C. Smith, Naval Support Activity (NAS) Center  
Frank H. Labroad III, Tyndall AFB  
Marty Spikes (ALT), Tyndall AFB  
John Mercer, Gulf Coast State College  
Jim McDougall (ALT), Gulf Coast State College  
L. Scott Jackson, Florida Sea Grant  
Scott Birge, Fire Chief, NWFBI  
Andrew Samarripa, Port Panama City  
Paul Thorpe, Northwest Florida Water Management  
Curt Ward, Florida Forest Service  
Allison Blevins, FDEM  
Jonathan McFarlane-Weinstein, Tyndall AFB  
Jessica Graham, FSU  
Ebrahim Ahmadisharaf, FSU

**AGENDA**

**Call to Order**

**Attendance and Introduction**

**Approval of Agenda**

**Approval of Minutes from August 14, 2024**

## Discussion Items and Updates

### 1. LMS / LMSWG Overview

- Bylaws, Goals and Membership of the LMS Working Group – This is our annual review of the Bay County Bylaws, Goals & Objectives and update of our membership list for the LMSWG. *(All members received the information for review and a motion is needed for any changes/revisions and a vote to accept the Bylaws and Goals and Objectives for 2024/2025)*
- Election of Co-Chairs for the LMSWG for the next 3 year cycle. Keith Bryant and Eddie Cook have been the Co-Chairs for the last 3 year cycle *(if no new Co-Chairs, extend the current Co-Chair terms for an additional 3-year term)*
- The 2025 Plan Update is being worked on. Chapter 1 is approximately 70% complete. The Community Profile Section, Drainage and other pertinent Sections were sent to the municipalities and County Departments for public input and upon receipt of information received, all revisions have been made. The County posted a public input survey through SurveyMonkey on its website Baycountyfl.gov, through email and facebook to gather public input on the Bay County Local Mitigation Strategy Plan and to ensure input from all residents including the underserved and most vulnerable. If you have not had a chance to take the survey, it is still open and you can take it at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8WGVYV7>. You can also forward this link to any of your employees, friends and family. It will stay open until November 22, 2024.
- To date, is a status of the Appendices for the LMS Plan:
  - Appendix A – In Progress – List of Revisions
  - Appendix B – In Progress - Mitigation Projects
  - Appendix C – 80% Complete - Bylaws & Membership Roster
  - Appendix D – 95% Complete - LMSWG Meeting Documentation
  - Appendix E – 30% Complete – Public Input
  - Appendix F -- 80% Complete – Annual Updates
  - Appendix G – 100% Critical Facility List & Maps
  - Appendix H – 0% Adoption of Resolutions
  - Appendix I – 100% Floodplain Ordinances
  - Appendix J – 100% Land Development Ordinances
  - Appendix K – 30% Complete - THIRA

The next steps will be working on the Annexes of Appendix K – THIRA, the new disasters for the Dam and Extreme Temperatures. A final draft of the LMS Plan should be ready at the February 14, 2025 Meeting for your review.

## **2. HMGP/CDBG Projects**

### **➤ Status of Projects by Entity on HMGP Timeline**

- Bay County
- Callaway
- Lynn Haven
- Mexico Beach
- Parker
- Panama City
- Panama City Beach
- Springfield
- Bay District Schools

## **3. CDBG-DR PROJECTS**

### **➤ CDBG-DR Phase 1 & 2**

- Bay County – Redwood Drainage/Fountain Community/Mexico Beach
- Callaway – Lift Station Rehabilitation/Sandy Creek/Hugh Thomas Rd
- Lynn Haven – Minnesota/West 10<sup>th</sup> Street/Ohio Avenue
- Panama City – Millville/A2/AO Sewer Projects/Project Storm/Glenwood
- Panama City Beach – New Fire Station/Bay Parkway
- Springfield – Nature Park and Sitework/Fire & Police Station

### **CDBG-Voluntary Home Buyout Program**

- Bay County – Kenny Benigno, K2/CDR Maguire to provide update
- Panama City VHB Program – Jennifer Aldridge to provide update

## **4. HMGP-COVID Applications – \$1,258,601.42**

- Bay County – BC-25 Lift Station Generator Replacement

## **5. Hurricane Sally**

### Hurricane Sally Projects

- Bay County
  - Bay County Vecuna Drive Acquisition Property #1
  - Bay County N. Lagoon Property Acquisition #1
  - North Bay WWTP – Sequential Batch Reactor
- Panama City
  - Panama City Storm Water Improvements on Sherman - \$1,000,000
  - Panama City Sanitary Sewer Infrastructure Manhole - \$750,000

## **6. Hurricane Ian**

- Bay County WTP Electrical Resiliency Generator - \$1,780,000

## **7. Hurricane Idalia**

### **Projects Applied for:**

- Panama City - Lift Station 79 - \$2,429,175
- Panama City – Lake & Cincinnati Drainage Improvements - \$1,480,973

## **8. Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA)**

- Panama City Project Update

## **9. Community Rating System (CRS) Update – Wayne Porter / Jennifer Aldridge**

- Updates from Wayne Porter, Bay County and Jennifer Aldridge, Panama City
- FEMA Flood Map Adoption
- Any Cities upcoming CRS Assessments

## **10. Bay County Resilient Vulnerability Assessment Sub-Committee Update – Dr. Ebrahim Ahmadisharaf/Dr. Jessica Graham**

- FSU has completed Tasks 4-6 and will be turning those in to the County for final review before submission to FDEP. The entire project is expected to be complete by November 15, 2024.

## **11. Grant and Training Opportunities**

- Bay County CERT class 24-01  
December 2nd, 4th, 10th, 12th, and  
a Field Day Exercise December 14th  
Classes Start at 5-9pm  
700 Highway 2300, Panama City FL 32409
- ICS 300 and 400  
Jan 20-24, 2025  
700 Highway 2300, Panama City FL 32409

## **12. Audience Participation**

- Citizens wishing to address the Working Group may speak at this time.

## **13. The next scheduled 2025 LMS Meetings from 9:00 am to 11:00 am on:**

- February 5, 2025 –Gulf Coast State College SUE Room 232
- May 14, 2025 – Gulf Coast State College SUE Room 232
- August 13, 2025 – FSU Holley Lecture Hall C
- November 12, 2025 –FSU Holley Lecture Hall C

## **14. Adjournment**

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