

**CITY OF ORANGE ANNEX**

The City of Orange (Orange) is a participant (Member Agency [MA]) in the Orange County Water and Wastewater Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP or Plan). As a participant MA, Orange representatives were part of the HMP Planning Process and served on the Planning Team responsible for the Plan Update; refer to Section 2 of the Plan. The primary Plan, including the hazard mitigation plan procedural requirements and planning process apply to Orange.

This Annex supplements information contained in the primary Plan and describes how Orange’s risks vary from the planning area. The Risk Assessment (Section 3) summarizes the hazards and risks that pose a threat to Orange County. The primary Plan treats the entire County as the planning area and identifies which MAs are subject to a profiled hazard. The purpose of this Annex is to provide additional information specific to Orange with a focus on the risk assessment and mitigation strategy.

**HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN POINT OF CONTACT AND DEVELOPMENT TEAM**

The following representatives attended the Planning Team meetings on behalf of Orange and coordinated the hazard mitigation planning efforts with Orange staff:

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**JURISDICTION PROFILE (Service Population: 140,504)**

The City of Orange is in northern Orange County, serving an area of 25.79 square miles. The City of Orange’s water system was established in October 1904 serving a population of 1,216 people. Since then, the water system has grown tremendously to support a current population of over 140,504 people. The City’s water system is comprised of 13 groundwater wells, eight connections to the imported water supply, 15 water storage tanks with a total storage capacity of over 42 million gallons, 15 pumping stations, 452 miles of pipelines, and over 36,391 service connections. Orange’s water comes from two sources: the primary source is groundwater from OCWD, which makes up 64 to 75 percent of the supply; the second source is imported water purchased from Metropolitan through MWDOC. The City also utilizes local supply through an agreement with Serrano Water District who provides treated local runoff captured in Irvine Lake.

The governing body of the City of Orange is a five-member Council. Under a council-manager form of government, a mayor is elected every two years and four council members are elected to four-year terms alternating on a two-year basis. The City Manager, who is the administrative official of the City, is appointed by the City Council. The water rate structure and all other regulations must be approved by City Council before becoming effective.

**Hazards**

Detailed hazard profiles for the planning area are provided in Section 3. The City of Orange is located inland and therefore is not subject to coastal hazards, such as coastal storms/erosion and tsunamis. However, the City is subject to most of the other hazards identified for the planning area. Many of these hazards are dispersed and may affect the entire region, including climate change, drought, ground shaking from earthquakes, geologic hazards, and high wind. The eastern side of the City contains areas in the high or very high fire hazard severity zones. Small areas of the City are in the 100-year flood zones and the 500-year FEMA flood zone. The City also contains hills that are susceptible to landslides. Human-caused hazards and power outages are also hazards that could impact the City. The City is located downstream of Peters Canyon Dam and Prado Dam. In the event of dam failure large areas of the City could be inundated. There are no hazards that are unique to the City of Orange.

Based on the risk assessment, the City of Orange development team identified the following hazards that affect the city and summarized their geographic extent, probability of future occurrence, magnitude/severity and significance; refer to Table M-1.

**Table M-1  
Orange Hazard Identification**

<b>Hazard</b>	<b>Geographic Extent</b>	<b>Probability of Future Occurrences</b>	<b>Magnitude/Severity</b>	<b>Significance</b>
Climate Change	Limited	Occasional	Negligible	Low
Contamination/ Salt Water Intrusion	Limited	Unlikely	Limited	Low
Dam/Reservoir Failure	Significant	Unlikely	Catastrophic	Medium
Drought	Extensive	Limited	Limited	Medium
Earthquake Fault Rupture & Seismic Hazards	Limited	Limited	Catastrophic	High
Flood	Limited	Unlikely	Negligible	Low
Geologic Hazards	Extensive	Occasional	Limited	Medium
High Winds/ Santa Ana Winds	Significant	Likely	Limited	Medium
Landslide/Mudflow	Limited	Unlikely	Critical	Medium
Wildland/Urban Fire	Significant	Likely	Catastrophic	High
Human-Caused Hazards	Significant	Occasional	Critical	Medium
Power Outage	Extensive	Likely	Catastrophic	High
<b>Geographic Extent</b> Limited: Less than 10% of planning area Significant: 10-50% of planning area Extensive: 50-100% of planning area  <b>Probability of Future Occurrences</b> Highly Likely: Near 100% chance of occurrence in next year, or happens every year. Likely: Between 10 and 100% chance of occurrence in next year, or has a recurrence interval of 10 years or less. Occasional: Between 1 and 10% chance of occurrence in the next year, or has a recurrence interval of 11 to 100 years. Unlikely: Less than 1% chance of occurrence in next 100 years, or has a recurrence interval of greater than every 100 years.		<b>Magnitude/Severity</b> Catastrophic—More than 50 percent of property severely damaged; shutdown of facilities for more than 30 days; and/or multiple deaths. Critical—25-50 percent of property severely damaged; shutdown of facilities for at least two weeks; and/or injuries and/or illnesses result in permanent disability. Limited—10-25 percent of property severely damaged; shutdown of facilities for more than a week; and/or injuries/illnesses treatable do not result in permanent disability. Negligible—Less than 10 percent of property severely damaged, shutdown of facilities and services for less than 24 hours; and/or injuries/illnesses treatable with first aid.  <b>Significance</b> Low: Minimal potential impact Medium: Moderate potential impact High: Widespread potential impact		

The identification of hazards provided in Table M-1 is highly dependent on the location of facilities within each agencies jurisdiction and takes into consideration the history of the hazard and associated damage (if any), information provided by agencies specializing in a specific hazard (e.g., FEMA, California Geological Survey), and relies upon each agencies’ expertise and knowledge.

**Hazard Maps**

The following maps show the location of hazard zones within the jurisdiction relative to either potable water or wastewater systems, as applicable.

**VULNERABILITY AND RISK ASSESSMENT**

**Assets Susceptible to Hazard Events**

Table M-2, Orange Infrastructure and Exposure to Hazards, identifies Orange’s water and wastewater infrastructure assets that are located within the mapped hazard zones, identified above.

**Table M-2  
City of Orange Infrastructure and Exposure to Hazards**

Hazard		Infrastructure Type				
		Interties (#)	Pump Stations (#)	Reservoirs (#)	Wells (#)	Potable Pipeline (miles)
Fire Hazard Zone	Moderate	3	5	5	0	1.7
	High	0	0	0	0	3.2
	Very High	2	5	5	0	6.6
FEMA Flood Zone	100-Year	0	0	0	0	0.7
	500-Year	2	0	0	10	1.3
Alquist-Priolo Rupture Zone		0	0	0	0	0
Ground Shaking	Moderate	9	2	3	0	0.8
	High	11	9	8	11	0.0
	Extreme	5	5	7	5	28.5
Liquefaction	Moderate	3	4	4	13	13.7
	High	9	0	0	5	1.0
	Very High	0	0	0	0	0
	Unknown	0	0	0	0	0.1
Landslide Zone		3	5	5	0	1.8

The City has several facilities located within moderate and very high fire hazard zones, as well as within areas identified at risk for the 500-year flood and areas subject to landslides. The majority of the City, and its potable water and wastewater infrastructure are located within areas identified as having high and extreme risk of ground shaking in the event of an earthquake. Several facilities and miles of pipeline are also located with areas identified as having moderate and high risk of liquefaction.

**CAPABILITIES ASSESSMENT**

The capabilities assessment is designed to identify existing local agencies, personnel, planning tools, public policy and programs, technology, and funds that have the capability to support hazard mitigation activities and strategies outlined in this Plan. Orange’s internal development team revised the capabilities identified in the 2012 plan and collaborated to identify current local capabilities and mechanisms available to the MA for reducing damage from future hazard events. Tables M-3a through M-3d assess the authorities, policies, programs, and resources that the jurisdiction has in place that are available to help with the long-term reduction of risk through mitigation. These capabilities include planning and regulatory tools,

administrative and technical resources, financial resources, and education and outreach programs. The agency has the ability to create or expand existing policies and programs to implement mitigation programs.

**Table M-3a  
Planning and Regulatory Capabilities Summary**

<b>Ordinance, Plan, Policy, Program</b>	<b>Responsible Agency or Department</b>	<b>Description/Comments</b>
Building Code	Fire Department, City of Orange	Regulates construction standards and ensures enforcement of City's adopted standards. The City adheres to both the State and City building code.
Zoning Ordinance	Planning Department, City of Orange	Controls land use to protect public health, welfare and safety. Through the zoning code, the City controls and limits the type and density of development.
Subdivision Ordinance or Regulations	Planning Department, City of Orange	Regulates the development of housing, commercial, industrial, and other uses, including associated public infrastructure, as land is subdivided into buildable lots for sale or future development.
Special Purpose Ordinance	Regional Water Quality Control Board, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, California Department of Fish and Wildlife	Complies with the applicable ordinances and regulation.
Growth Management Ordinances	Planning Department, City of Orange	Complies with the applicable General Plans, and works with the cities within the District service area.
Site Plan Review Requirements	Planning Department, City of Orange	Complies with the applicable General Plans, and works with the cities within the District service area.
General Plan	Planning Department, City of Orange	Complies with the applicable General Plans, and works with the cities within the District service area.
Capital Improvements Plan	Finance Department, City of Orange	Guides the scheduling of spending on Capital Improvement Projects (CIP), and serves a mechanism to guide future development.
Economic Development Plan	Finance Department, City of Orange	Complies with the applicable General Plans, and works with the cities within the District service area.
Emergency Response Plan	Fire Department, City of Orange	Complies with the applicable General Plans, and works with the cities within the District service area.
Post-Disaster Recovery Plan	Fire Department, City of Orange	Complies with the applicable General Plans, and works with the cities within the District service area.
Post-Disaster Recovery Ordinance	FEMA/State	Complies with Federal and State regulations.

**Table M-3b  
Administrative and Technical Capabilities Summary**

<b>Staff/Personnel or Type of Resource</b>	<b>Responsible Agency or Department</b>	<b>Description/Comments</b>
Planner(s) or Engineer(s) with Knowledge of Land Development and Land Management Practices	Public Works/City Engineer; City of Orange	Environmental Planners with expertise in land development practices. Collaborate with Engineering and cities to comply with all requirements.
Engineer(s) or Professional(s) Trained in Construction Practices Related to Buildings and/or Infrastructure	Public Works/City Engineer; City of Orange	Licensed Civil Engineers and certified building evaluators (Safety Assessment Program certified by Cal OES).
Planners or Engineer(s) with an Understanding of Natural and/or Human - Caused Hazards	Public Works/City Engineer; City of Orange	Planners with expertise in hazard identification.
Floodplain manager	Orange County Flood Control District	Work with the county floodplain manager.
Personnel Skilled in GIS and/or HAZUS	Public Works; City of Orange	City employs GIS expert.
Emergency Manager	City Manager; City of Orange	Work with the City Emergency Manager.
Grant Writers	City Manager; City of Orange	Work with the city to identify federal and state grants.
Water Quality Lab	Public Works, Water Division; City of Orange	Internal Lab.

**Table M-3c  
Financial Capabilities Summary**

<b>Financial Resources</b>	<b>Agency or Department</b>
Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)	Finance Department; City of Orange
Capital Improvements Project Funding	Finance Department; City of Orange
Authority to Levy Taxes for Specific Purposes	Finance Department; City of Orange
Fees for Water, Sewer, Gas, or Electric Service	Public Works; City of Orange
Impact Fees for Homebuyers or Developers for New Developments/Homes	Finance Department; City of Orange
Incur Debt Through General Obligation Bonds	Finance Department; City of Orange
Incur Debt Through Private Activity Bonds	Finance Department; City of Orange

**Table M-3d  
Education and Outreach Capability Summary**

<b>Resource/Programs</b>	<b>Agency or Department</b>	<b>Description/Comments</b>
Community Emergency Preparedness	City Manager; City of Orange	Residents are encouraged to visit Ready.gov for information on how to prepare for emergencies.
Community Emergency Response Team	Police Department; City of Orange	The Orange Police Department, in collaboration with the Orange Fire Department, offers the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training. CERT is about readiness, people helping people, rescuer safety and doing the greatest good for the greatest number of people.
Emergency Alert System	Police Department; City of Orange	Residents are encouraged to sign up for emergency alerts with the City.
AlertOC	County of Orange	Residents are encouraged to sign up for emergency alerts with the City.

**MITIGATION STRATEGY**

**Mitigation Goals**

Orange adopts the hazard mitigation goals developed by the Planning Team; refer to Section 4.

**Mitigation Actions**

The internal development team reviewed the mitigation actions identified in the 2012 plan and the updated risk assessment to determine if the mitigation actions were completed, require modification, should be removed because they are no longer relevant, and/or should remain in the Plan Update. New mitigation actions to address the updated risk assessment and capabilities identified above were also considered and added. Table M-4, Orange Mitigation Actions, identifies the mitigation actions, including the priority, hazard addressed, risk, timeframe, and potential funding sources.

**Table H-4  
Orange Mitigation Actions**

Priority (High, Medium, or Low)	Action/Task/Project Description	Location/Facility	Hazard	Risk (High, Medium, or Low)	Cost	Timeframe (Immediate, Short Term, or Long Term)	Possible Funding Sources	Status/Progress (New, Existing, Modified, Removed, Complete)	Status Rationale
Medium	Continuous monitoring of hazard sensitive areas.	Reservoir 2A	Multi-hazard	Medium	\$500K	Immediate	CIP Budget	Ongoing	Daily site security checks. All Hazards
High	Propose improvement and retrofit for seismic protection.	All reservoir sites	Multi-hazard	Medium	\$1 M	Long term	Dept. Budget	Ongoing	Have installed protection to storage structures and piping to various sites. Additional sites will be completed in the next years. All Hazards
Medium	Improve structural and connection of reservoirs and pump stations.	City wide	Multi-hazard	Low	Unknown	Long term	Dept. Budget	Ongoing	Protect and prevent major damage to facilities. All Hazards
Medium	Provide backup power for all well sites and pump stations.	All Well sites	Multi-hazard	Low	\$500K	Short term	CIP Budget	Ongoing	Generators have been installed at various critical locations. Currently analyzing the installation of generators at the remaining facilities. All Hazards
Medium	Increase storage capacity.	City wide	Multi-hazard	Medium	\$5M	Long term	CIP Budget	Ongoing	Work with stakeholders to determine adequate locations for additional storage. All Hazards
Medium	Participate and coordinate with WEROC and other member agencies to improve vulnerability.	City wide	Multi-hazard	Low	Unknown	Long term	Dept. Budget	Ongoing	Continue working with WEROC staff to strengthen preparedness and response efforts. All Hazards
High	Perform retrofitting for facilities in disaster prone areas.	City wide	Multi-hazard	Low	\$1 M	Long term	Dept. Budget	Ongoing	Have performed retrofit of critical infrastructure. Currently evaluating retrofit to administration building. All Hazards
Medium	Avoid building in high-risk areas.	City wide	Multi-hazard	Medium	Unknown	Long term	Dept. Budget	Ongoing	Work with City of Orange and WEROC to ensure new construction is built in low risk hazard zones. All Hazards
Medium	Install camera and wireless communication at all facilities.	All Sites	Man made	Low	\$100K	Long term	CIP Budget	Ongoing	Installed camera and wireless communications to most sites. Additional sites will be completed. Human Cause Hazard



**Table H-4 [continued]  
Orange Mitigation Actions**

Priority (High, Medium, or Low)	Action/Task/Project Description	Location/Facility	Hazard	Risk (High, Medium, or Low)	Cost	Timeframe (Immediate, Short Term, or Long Term)	Possible Funding Sources	Status/Progress (New, Existing, Modified, Removed, Complete)	Status Rationale
High	Continue with backflow prevention program.	City wide	Man made	Medium	\$1 M	Long term	Dept. Budget	Ongoing	Installed backflow prevention devices. Continually monitoring devices and recertifying users. Human Cause Hazard

Notes:  
Timeframe to Completion of Project: "Immediate" is up to 1 year; "Short Term" is 1 to 3 years; "Long Term" is 3 years or longer.  
Status: "New" refers to a mitigation initiative newly created as part of the plan update process; "Existing" refers to an unfinished initiative that is carried over from the 2012 plan; "Modified" refers to an existing initiative that carried over from the previous plan, but has changed to limit or expand its scope of activities.  
Status Rationale: A statement of justification as to why the project is currently in the status it is in.

**Completed or Removed Mitigation Initiatives**

The following mitigation actions from the 2012 plan have been completed or are in progress and therefore are removed from the Plan update.

Mitigation: Improve site fencing per Vulnerability Assessment Studies recommendation.

Status: Installed fencing to all sites.

Mitigation: Secure above ground assets at all facilities.

Status: Similar to other mitigation item. Removed

Mitigation: Prepare the Asset Management plan, which includes and takes into consideration Economic and financial impacts to Orange.

Status: Staffing, prioritize, and funding shortage has hindered its completion. Removed

**PLAN INTEGRATION**

Orange's General Plan, Capital Improvement Plan, Municipal Code, Water Master Plan, Wastewater Master Plan, and Emergency Operations Plan are all used to implement mitigation initiatives identified in this annex. After adoption of the HMP, the City will continue to integrate mitigation priorities into these documents.