



City of Auburn Plan Annex

Introduction

The following is a summary of key information about the jurisdiction and its history.

Population

The City of Auburn was incorporated in 1891. As of April 2019, the population has grown to 81,720, according to the Washington State Office of Financial Management (OFM).

Between 2000 and 2010 the population of Auburn increased 74.1% however, a significant portion of this growth was the result of two annexations consisting of Lea Hill (east) and West Hill (west) that became effective in 2008. Between 2010 and 2019 the city increased in population by 16.44% (OFM, 2019). In 2017, Auburn was one of the top ten cities for population growth within Washington State; the top ten cities in descending order were: Seattle, Vancouver, Spokane, Federal Way, Kent, Tacoma, Auburn, Redmond, and Everett (OFM, 2017).

Jurisdiction Profile

As of 2014 Auburn is ranked as the 14th-most populated city in the State of Washington. It is located in King and Pierce County the two most populated counties in the state (Auburn Community Profile, 2015 Appendix H of the Comprehensive Plan).

Location and Description

The City of Auburn is located in the Southern Puget Sound area of the State of Washington, approximately 20 miles south of Seattle. Auburn has an area of approximately 29.83 square miles, with approximately 28.17 square miles located in King County and approximately 1.66 square miles located in Pierce County. The City lies at the south end of State Route 18, at its intersection with State Route 167. Mount Rainier lies approximately 55 miles to the southeast of the City. The diverse geography of the City presents a need to consider all hazard mitigation planning efforts and also influences the probability of landslides, floods, earthquakes, and volcano/lahar events.

The topography includes the centrally located, north south aligned Green River Valley, as well as the West Hill, East Hill, and Southeast plateaus. The City is part of two watersheds that flow to Puget Sound; the northern portion of the City occurs within the Green-Duwamish Watershed (Water Resource Inventory Area 9) and the southern portion lies within the Puyallup-White Watershed (Water Resource Inventory Area 10). The City boundaries include the Green and White Rivers, Bowman, Mill and Olson Creeks and as well as numerous small streams throughout the City.

The Muckleshoot Indian Tribe (MIT) is located both inside and outside the city limits of Auburn. The MIT was established in 1874, and is comprised of the descendants of the area's original Coast Salish peoples. The Muckleshoot Reservation consists of six sections of land situated diagonally, has 20 miles of boundaries, and encompasses six square-miles. Three sections (3 square miles) are within the municipal limits of the City of Auburn. Many of the landowners within the reservation boundaries are not tribal members over which the city has authority. The sections located outside the City are mostly surrounded by farms and rural areas, with urbanization encroaching on the western portion. The Muckleshoot Tribe is one of Washington's largest tribes, with a membership of about 3,300.





Brief History

The City of Auburn was home to some of the earliest settlers in King County. Nestled in a fertile river valley, Auburn has been both a farm community and a center of business and industry for more than 150 years. Auburn is located near the original confluence of the Green and White rivers, both of which contain runoff water from the Cascade Mountain range. The valley was originally the home of the Skopamish, Smalhkamish, and Stkamish Indian tribes. The first white men in the region were explorers and traders who arrived in the 1830s.

Settlers first came to the valley in the 1850s. On October 27, 1855, a Native American ambush killed nine people, including women and children. In November, a military unit led by Lieutenant William Slaughter camped near what is now present-day Auburn. On December 4, 1855, a group of Native Americans attacked, killing Lt. Slaughter and two other men.

A new treaty was written which provided the establishment of the Muckleshoot reservation, which is the only Indian reservation now within the boundaries of King County. The White River tribes collectively became known as the Muckleshoot tribe.

A group of white settlers, including the Neely and Ballard families, began returning to the area. In 1891, the town of Slaughter incorporated. Although many older citizens considered the town's name a memorial, many newer residents understandably felt uncomfortable with it. Within two years, the town was renamed Auburn, taken from the first line of Oliver Goldsmith's poem, The Deserted Village: "Sweet Auburn! Loveliest village of the plain."

Auburn had been a bustling center for hop farming until 1890 when the crops were destroyed by aphids. After the severe crop loss, the farms were mostly dairy farms and berry farms. Nevertheless, flooding was still a problem for Auburn farmers up until the Howard Hanson Dam was built in 1962. The dam on the Green River, along with the Mud Mountain dam on the White River, provided controlled river management, which left the valley nearly flood free.

Another impetus to Auburn's growth was the railroad. The Northern Pacific Railroad put a rail line through town in 1883, but it was the Seattle-Tacoma Interurban line that allowed easy access to both cities starting in 1902. The Interurban allowed farmers to get their product to the markets within hours after harvest. The railroad, along with better roads, caused many new companies to set up business in Auburn, among them the Borden Condensery (which made Borden's Condensed Milk) and the Northern Clay Company.

Auburn grew through the twentieth century like many American towns. The 1920s were prosperous for citizens, but the Great Depression of the 1930s left many in need. During World War II, many local Japanese farmers had their land seized and were forcibly moved to internment camps. At the same time, local boys were sent to fight in the Pacific, and some died in battle.

The postwar era was prosperous to Auburn, bringing more businesses and a community college to the city. In 1963, The Boeing Company built a large facility to mill sheet metal skin for jet airliners. As time went on, many farms disappeared as the land was converted to industrial use. In the 1990s, a large regional shopping mall was built in the valley, enticing consumers from all over the Puget Sound region.

Auburn has made the transition from small farms to large industries, but much of the city's history remains. A monument in the memory of Lieutenant Slaughter, erected in 1918, still stands in a local park. The Neely Mansion, built by the son of a pioneer in 1891, has been refurbished and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Auburn's downtown still maintains a "Main Street U.S.A." appearance. (Sources: Clarence B. Bagley, 1929 and Josephine Emmons Vine, 1990)





Climate

Auburn's average annual snowfall is 6.8 inches per year and the average annual rainfall is 39.14 inches per year. Temperatures range between an annual average high of 61.7 degrees and an average low of 44.6 degrees.

While the climate of Western Washington is mild on average, high-hazard storms and weather patterns impact the area on a frequent basis. The most frequent weather-related impacts come as a result of windstorms that can cause widespread damage and coastal flooding; atmospheric river events that cause flooding, landslides, and can increase the threat of dam or levee failure; and winter storms that can result in transportation impacts. Western Washington sometimes experiences extreme weather events, including heat and cold that challenge health and infrastructure systems, severe thunderstorms that can produce wind damage, and even occasional tornadoes. Finally, weather can also strongly influence other hazards such as wildfires as well as HAZMAT incidents, ash fall, and smoke plumes which can result in hazardous health conditions.

Governing Body Format

The City of Auburn is a non-charter code city retaining the council-mayor form of government, as provided in the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 35A.02.030 of the Optional Municipal Code for the State. The Mayor and seven Council Members serve the City of Auburn. The City Council is responsible for setting City policies as well as reviewing and approving Auburn's Hazard Mitigation Annex. Auburn Emergency Management will oversee the plan's implementation. The City is organized into the following departments: Administration, Finance, Human Resources, Risk and Property Management, Information Services, Legal, Parks, Arts and Recreation, Community Development, Police, and Public Works.

Development Trends

The City of Auburn established its land use pattern with adoption of the first modern Comprehensive (Land Use) Plan in 1986. The Plan was amended to comply with the Growth Management Act (GMA) in April 1995 and is updated annually. The most recent major update to the Comprehensive Plan was adopted by City Council on December 14, 2015 (Ordinance No. 6584).

The overall urban form of the City is heavily influenced by its location in a river valley surrounded by relatively steep hillsides. The organization of the land use pattern of the plan generally separates the City into five areas (reference Map 1.2 "Districts" below):

- North Auburn a regional serving area which is a concentration of employment base.
- South Auburn a community serving area which contains a majority of the older, more established residential areas and locally oriented businesses.
- Southeast Auburn a low density residential and environmentally sensitive area.
- The Plateau a residential area featuring land within the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe's reservation boundary and jurisdiction, and the Seven Day Adventists "Academy."
- Lakeland a master planned community featuring a mix of residential and commercial uses.
- West Hill a residential area featuring a mix of older, established low density, rural development without a commercial area.
- Lea Hill a residential area comprised of rural development, traditional suburban development, and small locally serving commercial areas.
- The downtown area which uniquely serves both the region and local community.

The annexation of Lea Hill, West Hill, and Lakeland Hills South substantially increased the number of households and development potential within the City. The West Hill and Lea Hill annexations, respectively, brought relatively low-density rural uses intermixed with traditional suburban residential developments, and a





range of levels of infrastructure. As shown on Map 1.2. "Districts" below, Lea Hill is bound by the Green River, Highway 18, S. 277th St., and Kent. Much of this area was annexed into Auburn in 2008. West Hill is bound by West Valley Highway, 51st Ave., and agricultural lands to the north. Much of West Hill was annexed in 2008, although annexations occurred throughout the 1990s. Lakeland Hills South together with Lakeland Hills (North) is considered "Lakeland". Lakeland Hills South is bounded by Lakeland Hills to the north, with the county line between King and Pierce County as the upper bound, and unincorporated Pierce County to south. Lakeland Hill South was annexed into the City of Auburn between 1998 and 2005.

In 2004, Auburn's downtown was designated and stills remains an "Urban Center" pursuant to the King County Countywide Planning Policies. Urban Centers are areas with concentrated housing and employment, supported by high capacity transportation systems and retail, recreational, public facilities parks and open space. Much of the county's growth in employment and a significant share of new housing is focused within urban centers.

In 2017 Lakeland Hills South was designated as a "Center of Local Importance" (COLI) pursuant to the Pierce Countywide Planning Policies. Centers of Local Importance are considered concentrations of activities and land uses that provide a sense of place for the community and neighborhood. As a master planned community, Lakeland Hills South features a number of land uses, including residential, civic, recreational, commercial, and cultural areas that provide a sense of place for the community and surrounding area.

Within Puget Sound Regional Council's (PSRC) Vision 2040 (adopted in 1995) the regional long-range plan, the City of Auburn is considered a "Core City," a regionally designated growth center that is intended to accommodate a significant share of future growth within the region. PSRC is in the process of adopting Vision 2050, an update to Vision 2040, and under the revised regional long-range plan, Auburn will still be considered a Core City.

The City's development regulations, which include zoning, closely align with and implement the land use designations of the Comprehensive (Land Use) Plan. The zoning regulations are periodically updated. The

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City adopted its Critical Areas Ordinance in compliance with GMA in May 2005 (Ordinance No. 5894) to provide for the identification, regulation and protection of environmentally sensitive areas including wetlands, streams, wildlife habitat, geologic hazard areas, groundwater protection areas, and flood hazard areas. The city updated its floodplain regulations, Chapter 15.68 of the City code, in 2008 (Ordinance No. 6161) and updated its Shoreline Management Program in April 2009 (Ordinance No. 6235) in compliance with the State Shoreline Management Action RCW 90.58. The Green and White Rivers are subject to the shoreline regulations. The City is currently in the process of updating its Critical Areas Ordinance and Shoreline Management Program and intends to have the update complete by the end of December 2019.

Auburn's Comprehensive Plan is the leading policy document that guides the City's evolution and growth over a 20-year period. The Comprehensive Plan identifies the desired type, configuration, and intensity of land uses throughout the city, as well as the character and capacity of public facilities and services like streets and utilities. Its policies address critical topics such as housing, the environment, transportation, public safety, and economic





development. The Comprehensive Plan also serves as the basis for the City's adoption of special purpose plans for the city such as transportation or utilities plans, and serves as the basis for development standards and regulations such as City zoning and critical area regulations. By proactively planning and preparing the City for unanticipated natural events and by implementing regulatory requirements that mitigate exposure to natural hazards, the City will continue to construct and operate high-quality infrastructure. Infrastructure assets that have long lives, require fiscally sound and environmentally appropriate upkeep, conform to uniform standards, and are in the best interests of taxpayers and ratepayers. The adoption and implementation of this plan has caused a reduction in developments in hazard prone areas of the City.

Jurisdiction Risk Summary

Hazard	RISK SUMMARY	VIII NIEDADII PTV CHMMADV	IMPACT SUMMARY
Earthquake	City of Auburn is susceptible to multiple fault lines that can produce major earthquakes. The largest fault lines can produce earthquakes that induce damages ranging from 2.8% (M9.0 Cascadia Earthquake) to 7.4% (M7.1 Tacoma Fault) of total building and contents. A significant percentage of structures in Auburn reside within a liquefaction risk zone.	According to the 2018 King County Risk Report, Auburn has a total of 15,352 Structures for a total value (buildings and contents) of \$11.9B. Of those structures, 447 have an earthquake loss ratio of greater than or equal to 10% of total building and contents. Auburn has 6,715 structures located in moderate or higher liquefaction zones. That is 43.7% of the total structures within the city. The exposed value of those structures (building and contents) is approximately \$8.1B. The high dollar amount comparatively, is due in part to the commercial areas and density of the structures in the Auburn valley area. Also located in the liquefaction zone are key infrastructure include, but not limited to: Streets Bridges Railroad Hospitals Schools Utilities Government Facilities Airport	Over 78% of the planning area's building stock was built prior to 1994, when seismic provisions became uniformly applied through building code applications. Earthquakes can trigger other natural hazard events such as dam failures and landslides, which could severely impact the planning area. In addition to all of King County, much of Auburn is likely to experience a major disruption in flow of goods and services due to the destruction of major transportation infrastructure across the broader region. Development of new structures and infrastructure continues through the liquefaction prone zone.





Flood

6.43% of the total land area of the city is within the Special Flood Hazard Area. The city has good floodplain management regulations and has limited development; however, there are some structures already present in the floodplain.

There are 114 structures exposed in the special flood hazard area, with an exposed value (building and contents) of \$685.5 M. We have zero repetitive loss properties located in the special flood hazard area. Structures within the Special Flood Hazard area consist of residential, commercial and institutional organizations.

Since 2015, there have been few flooding events that produced minor impacts within the City. Auburn's last major flood event was during the 2015 declared flood emergency in Washington State. Lowland flooding and localized small landslides occurred in Auburn.

The frequent, yet minor flooding events that occur during flood season poses a unique risk that gradually increases over time due to the accumulation and build-up of silt and river debris within the river channel.

In 1996 the City purchased 1508 W Main St. (parcel no. 1421049036) in Auburn, WA for open space utilizing Hazard Mitigation Grant Program funds. This property was a repetitive loss property; but because the city acquired it and demolished the building it is no longer in that category.

Landslide

The City of Auburn is susceptible to landslides along our many hills. Landslides can be some of the most destructive events in nature, posing a serious hazard to people and properties on or below hillsides, in addition to critical infrastructure such as transportation. The majority of significant slide events in King County have occurred during or shortly after storm events.

143 (>1%; \$142 M) structures are exposed to landslide hazard areas within city limits.

Most of the structures within the landslide prone areas are residential. However, critical infrastructure consisting of transportation, streets, and bridges are often heavily impacted during slide events.

Due to landslide hazard zones, both city residents and critical infrastructure are greatly impacted during slide events. Many homes are located in landslide hazard zones posing serious risk to life safety.

Main transportation routes within landslide hazard areas, key roads are periodically closed due to landslides. These closures cause a disruption to flow of goods and services, creating traffic elsewhere, delaying response times for emergency responders, and impacting city residents.





Severe Weather

The City of Auburn is susceptible to a variety of different severe weather events including thunderstorms, hail storms, damaging winds, tornadoes, drought and excessive heat. All critical facilities are exposed to severe weather. Additional facilities on higher ground may also be exposed to wind damage or damage from falling trees. The most common problems associated with severe weather are loss of utilities. Downed power lines can cause blackouts, leaving large areas isolated. Phone, water and sewer systems may not function. Roads may become impassable due to secondary hazards such as landslides.

A severe weather event that causes damage to 10% of the structures and infrastructure within the City can potentially result in upwards of \$2 B.

An event that causes damage to 50% can potentially result in upwards of \$9 B.

Severe weather can cause damage to residential, commercial, institutional and government assets including:

- Streets
- Bridges
- Railroad
- Hospitals
- Schools
- Utilities
- Government Facilities
- Airport

Severe Winter Weather

The City of Auburn is susceptible to a variety of different severe winter weather events including any dangerous cold-weather phenomena with the potential to cause damage, serious social disruption, or loss of human life. It includes snowstorms, ice storms, hail storms, blizzards, damaging winds, and extreme cold.

Severe winter weather can significantly impact city services, stranding commuters, stopping the flow of supplies, and disrupting emergency and medical services.

Accumulations of snow can collapse buildings and knock down trees and power lines. Significant snow events may result in residential homes and local businesses being without power and heat for a prolonged amount of time, causing major life safety issues throughout the city.

In underdevelopment and/or low density residential areas, homes and farms may be isolated for days, and unprotected livestock may be lost.

The City of Auburn is particularly vulnerable to snow

Severe winter weather, such as the February 2019 snowstorm, can immobilize a region and paralyze a city.

The most recent snow event in February 2019, forced closures of several roads throughout the City:

- Mt View Drive, Terrace View Drive, 105th SE, S 292nd St and the Lakeland Parkway were all closed due to snow/ice.
- Oravetz was closed due to downed trees and power lines,
- Riverwalk was closed because of a semitruck was stuck.
- Kersey due to an accident investigation.





and ice events due to steep hills and roads.

Ice and snow events, in combination with wind, can increase the severity and impact of severe winter weather.

Snow and ice storms have a significant impact on the City's public works department. Additional staffing, extended work hours, and specialized resources are required during such events in order to maintain traffic systems and critical infrastructure.

The city activates an Emergency Snow & Ice Removal Plan that prioritizes specific routes such as main arterials, transit and school bus routes, and life line routes. Secondary and lower-priority routes will be maintained after primary routes are managed, based on conditions and resources available.

The City's most vulnerable populations are especially impacted by severe winter weather events, such as snowstorms and prolonged cold spells. Impacts include loss of power and heat, interruption of transportation services, and inability to obtain food and water.

Depending on conditions, city staffing levels may be impacted or reduced due to employees unable to report to work safely. These conditions compounded by lower staffing levels, are likely to increase response times for public safety personnel.

Volcano

Past eruptions of Mt.
Rainier have caused
lahar flows through the
Auburn valley. The
Auburn valley floor is at
risk of a future lahar.
The mud flow would
likely follow the White
River basin and flow
north through the city.

6,712 (43.7%) of structures in Auburn are within the Lahar risk zone in the event of a Volcanic eruption.

Located in the lahar risk zone are key infrastructure include, but not limited to:

- Streets
- Bridges

Critical infrastructure within the lahar risk zone include, but are not limited to:

- Streets
- Bridges
 - o R Street
 - A Street
- Schools
 - O Ilalko Elementary School





	This flow, would likely cover the infrastructure and buildings along the valley.	 Railroad Utilities Government Facilities Schools 	O Auburn Riverside High School O Mt. Baker Middle School O Gildo Rey Elementary School O Pioneer Elementary School O Holy Family Catholic School O Olympic Elementary School Railroad O Passenger Trains O BNSF O Union Pacific Utilities O BPA Transmission Lines Government Facilities O Auburn Maintenance & Operations O Government Services Administration (GSA) O VRFA Fire Stations In addition to the lahar risk, the area north of the lahar zone is identified as a post-lahar flooding and sedimentation area that poses significant risk to the Auburn valley floor north of HWY18. Additional critical infrastructure located within the post lahar sedimentation and flooding area include: Auburn Municipal Airport City Hall and the Annex Building Multicare Auburn
			Medical Center
			(Hospital)
Cyber Attack	The City uses a variety	Major cyber incidents can occur	Cyber incidents have the
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	devices that reply upon	_	services, release non-
	both internal and		disclosable information to





external computer networks in order to function properly. These networks as a whole are commonly referred to "cyberspace" and failures in them, regardless of cause, are commonly referred to as "cyber incidents". Cyber incidents have the potential to disable city services release nondisclosable information to unknown parties, and create public safety issues, among other things.

Significant cyber events may be malicious or accidental/inadvertent, but initial response must not be dependent on determining which.

Cyber vulnerabilities are both technological and human caused and will continue to exist regardless of the number of safeguards put in place and the amount of training conducted.

Regardless of cause, major cyber incidents have the potential to shutdown critical infrastructure, negatively affect life safety, reveal protected information, and to cause harm to people, data, and physical assets.

Incidents may start and end on systems that are outside of the City's direct control. unknown parties, and create public safety issues, among other things.

Cyber events could reduce our ability to provide water and sewer services to residents, our ability to receive payments for utilities bills, lose our ability to provide payroll and residents lose their ability connect to the City.

Dam Failure

There are seven active dams that protect the City of Auburn. The four with the most potential for damage are the Howard Hanson Dam, Mud Mountain Dam, Lake Youngs Reservoir Dam, and the Lake Tapps System of dikes around the lake.

At full capacity, both the Howard Hanson, and Mud Mountain Dams have the potential of flooding the entire Auburn Valley floor in the event of a dam failure.

The Lake Tapps system of dikes poses significant risk to many residential homes, and much of the Auburn Valley floor.

If Dikes #6-12 (generally located along the north side of Lake Tapps) were to fail, the flow of water would inundate the White River causing significant flooding throughout the valley floor.

A failure of the Lake Youngs Reservoir dam would also have significant impact on the City of Auburn. A breach would follow the Soos creek system to the Green River and then flow through the city.

Howard Hanson Dam: A

significant failure of the Howard Hanson dam, while at maximum capacity of the reservoir, would reach the area north of the airport in less than three hours, providing little time for evacuation of the Auburn valley floor.

Mud Mountain Dam: A significant failure of the Mud Mountain Dam, while at maximum capacity of the reservoir would reach the southwest part of Auburn in

less than two hours.

All city facilities in the Auburn valley would likely be unusable, after a failure of either dam, including the equipment and vehicles stored in those locations. Most homes and businesses in the same area would also be untenable.





Public Health	A Public Health	Within the projected flood risk zones for each major Dam, the City has the following critical infrastructure that would be greatly impacted: • Streets • Bridges • Railroad • Utilities • Airport • Schools The remaining 3 Dams within City limits are smaller and pose significantly less risk to structures and critical infrastructure within the City.	Lake Youngs Reservoir: A failure of the Lake Youngs Reservoir dam would also have significant impact on the City of Auburn. A breach would follow the Soos creek system to the Green River and then flow through the city. The most significant impacts would be in the north end of the city, from the Green river on the east to nearly SR 167 on the west and from approximately 15 St. NW to the northern city boundary. A breach of the Lake Youngs Dam could reach the city limits in approximately 4.5 hours, and could reach the area north of 15th St. NW within approximately 5 hours. A significant portion of city facilities in this area, including the Auburn Airport could be inundated with flood waters. Lake Tapps: A significant breach of the dikes on the north end of Lake Tapps would have a significant impact on the area of Auburn between Oravetz Road and the white river. This would impact residents and businesses in the area along with any infrastructure. Other Dams: The three remaining Dams would have less impact on the City, and likely be confined to neighborhoods immediately downstream. There are several
Emergency	Emergency could include a number of issues such as Measles, Mumps, and Influenza. The worldwide public health and scientific	means that most, if not all, people in the world will have never been exposed to the new strain and have no immunity to the disease. It also means that new vaccines must be developed	characteristics of an influenza pandemic that differentiate it from other public health emergencies. First, it has the potential to suddenly cause illness in a very large number of people, who could

community is



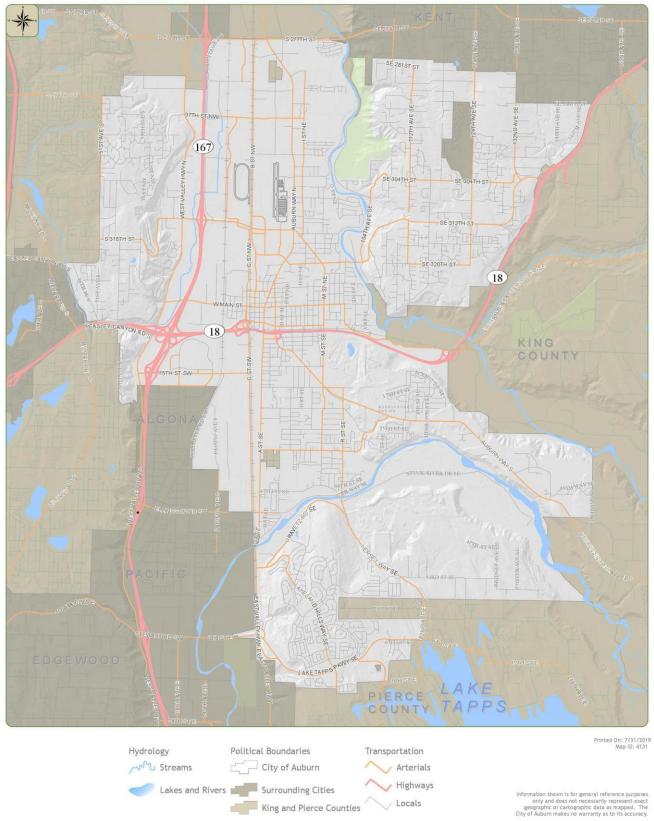


	increasingly concerned about the potential for a pandemic to arise from the widespread and growing avian influenza outbreak across several continents. Auburn will continue to participate in Seattle/King County Public Health initiatives and did not include this as a separate mitigation strategy.	and therefore are not likely to be available for months, during which time many people could become infected and seriously ill. A significant pandemic may generate patient loads sufficient to exceed capacity of local healthcare facilities and sectors. In addition, public demand for lab testing, vaccine, antiviral medications and health information may overwhelm day-to-day local public health and healthcare systems, providers and facilities. Basic services, such as healthcare, law enforcement, fire, emergency response, communications, transportation, and utilities, could be disrupted during a pandemic. Finally, the pandemic, unlike many other emergency events, could last for	easily overwhelm the healthcare system throughout the nation. A pandemic outbreak could also jeopardize essential City and community services by causing high levels of absenteeism in critical positions in every workforce. It is likely that vaccines against the new virus will not be available for six to eight months following the emergence of the virus.
Tsunami	The City of Auburn is not susceptible to impacts from a Tsunami and did not include this hazard in the mitigation planning process.	several weeks, if not months.	
Avalanche	The City of Auburn is not susceptible to impacts from an Avalanche and did not include this hazard in the mitigation planning process.		
Wildfire	While Auburn does face some risk in regards to Wildfire, those risks are addressed through other planning processes in partnership with Valley Regional Fire Authority.		





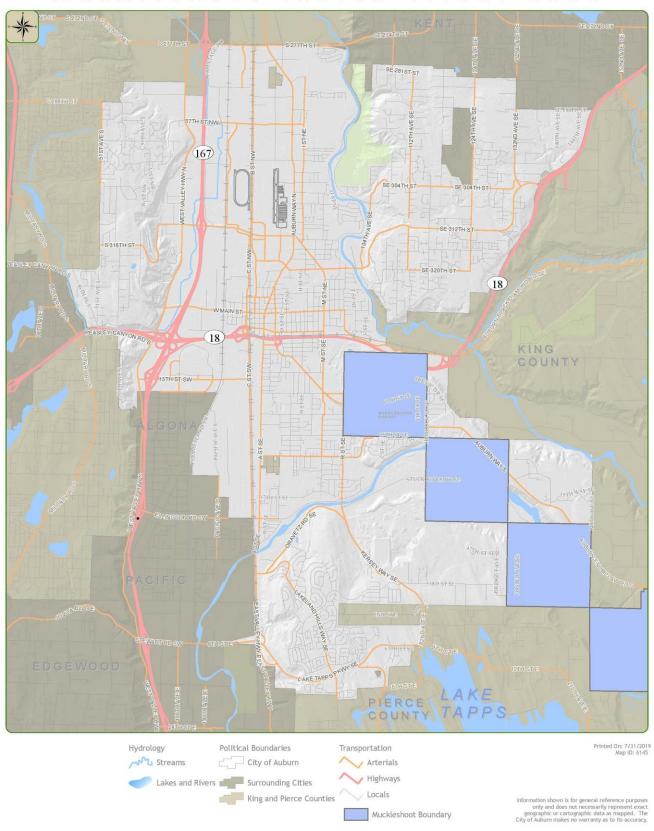
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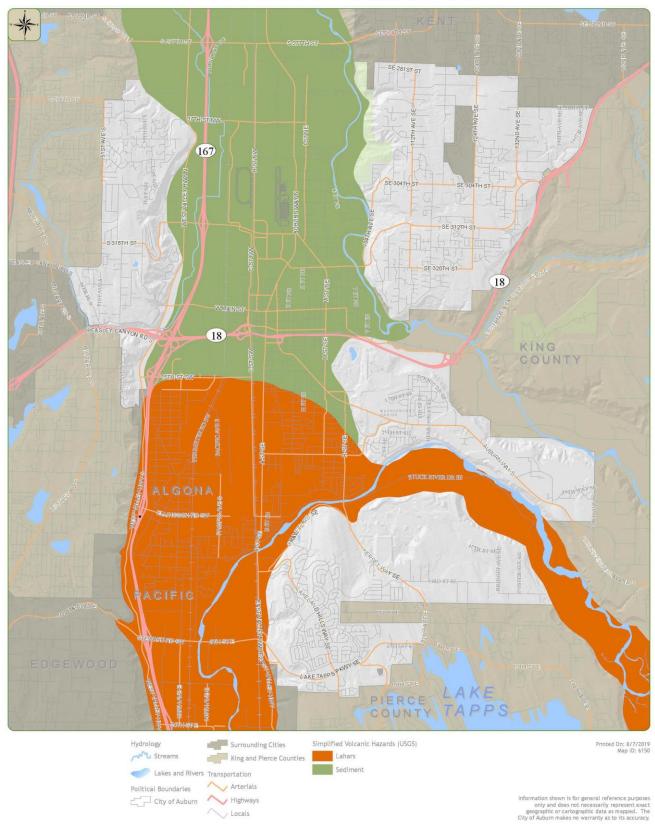
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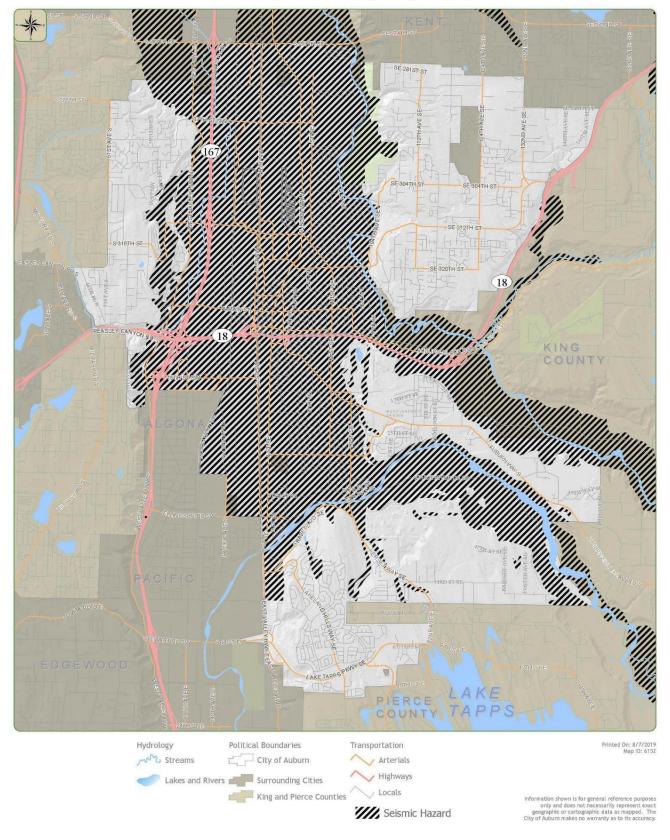
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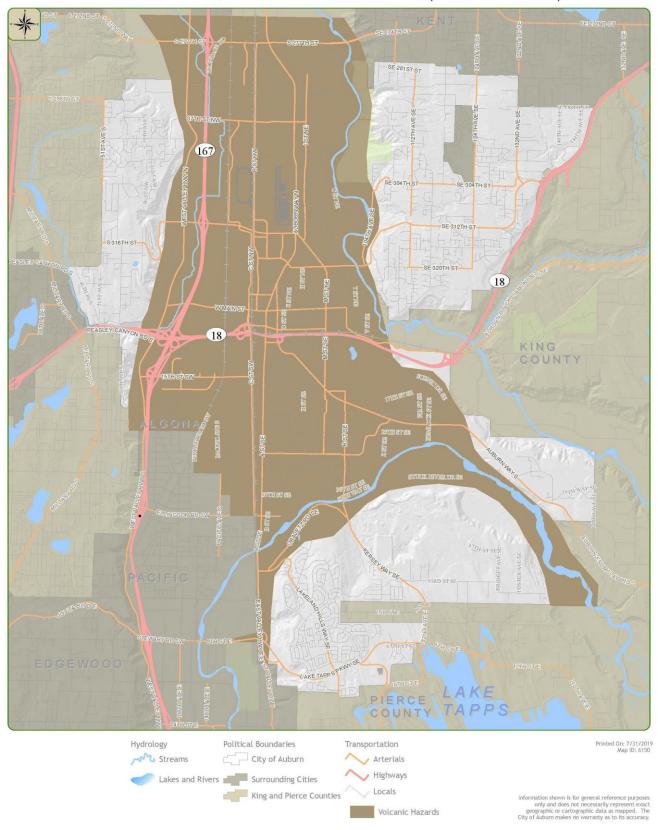
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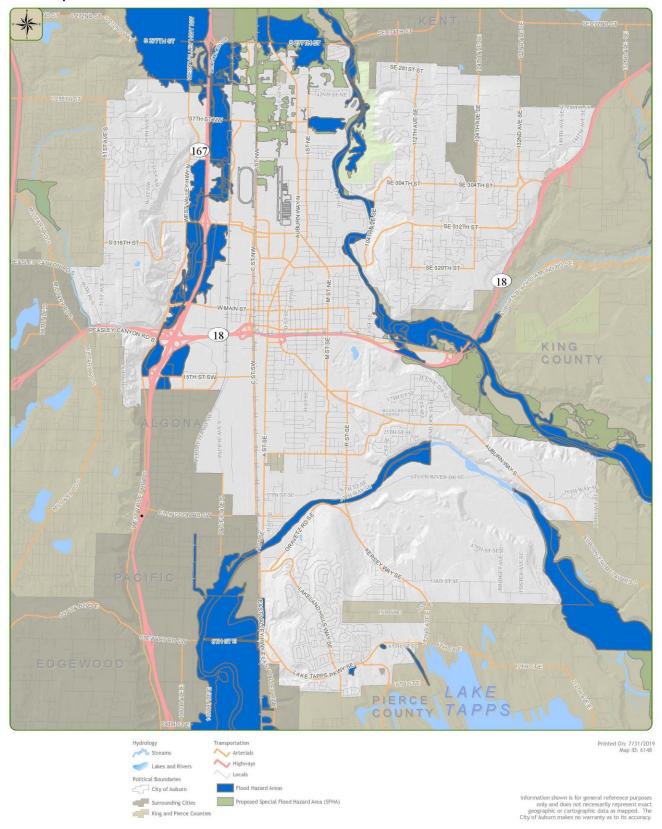
Historic Mudflows (Lahars)







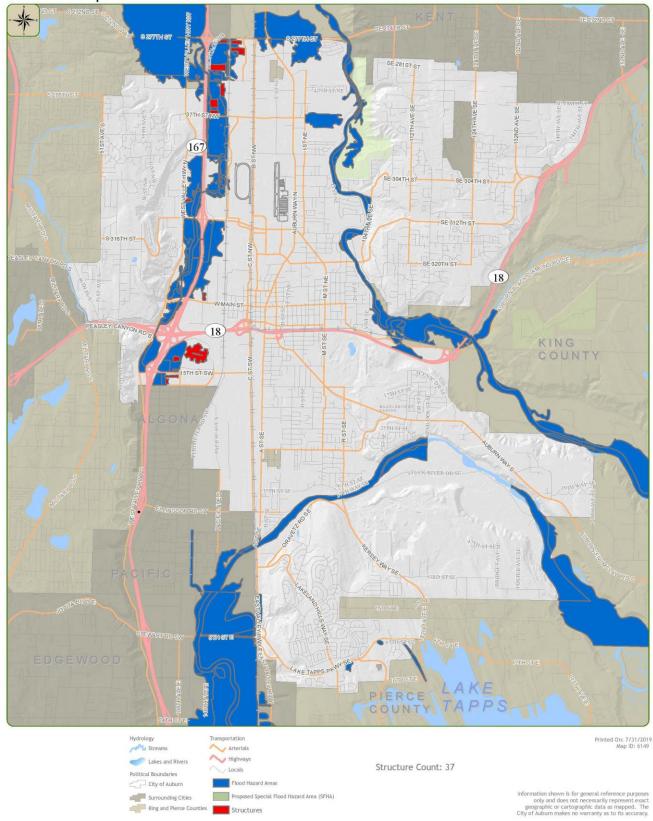
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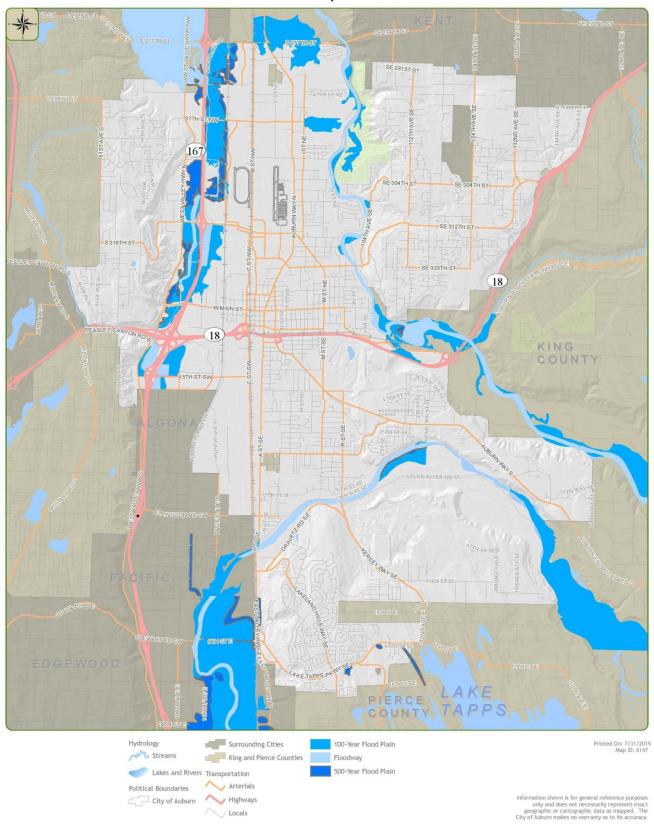
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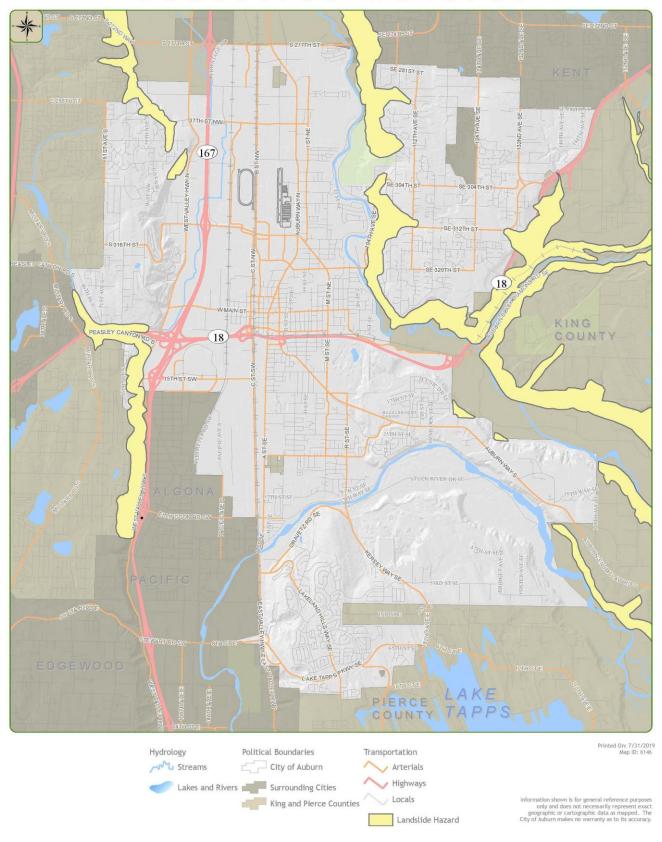
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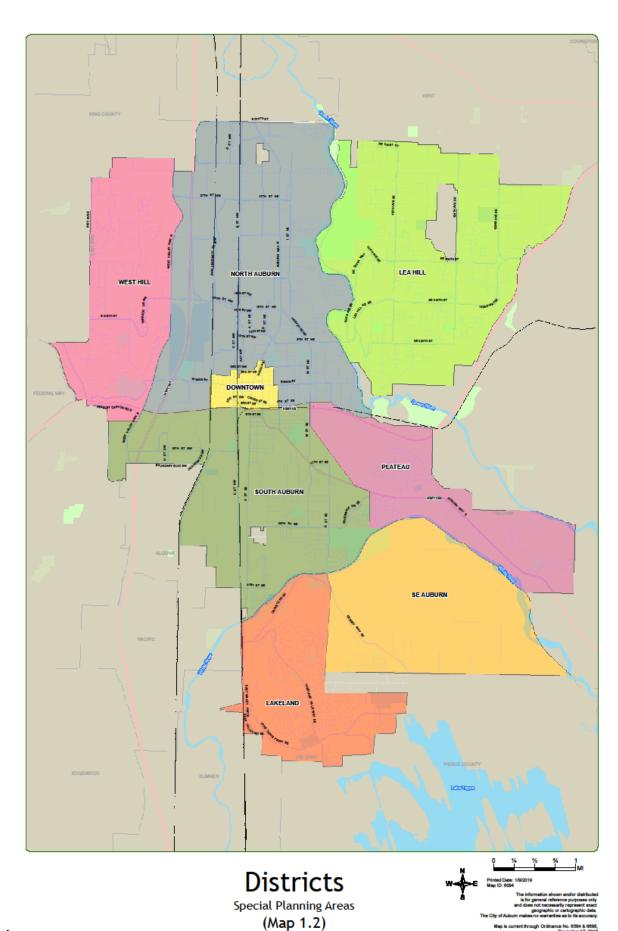




Landslide Hazards











Plan Update Process

The City of Auburn's planning process was open and inclusive. It began with participation in the multi-jurisdictional planning process led by King County. City staff attended training and briefings, learning about the process and requirements for completion of the plan. Staff then assembled a workgroup to develop a timeline to complete the City of Auburn annex to the Regional plan. At the early plan development stage, Valley Regional Fire Authority (provider for fire and EMS for the City) was also involved in the planning process.

Once the timeline was developed staff performed a hazard risk analysis, evaluating the potential risks within the city. Staff reviewed past mitigation plans, FEMA, King County and City of Auburn maps and records. The FEMA Risk Report: A Risk Assessment Database Summary was also considered in the risk analysis. A public open house was conducted on August 15 at 6:00 PM in City Hall to gather public feedback on the draft Hazard Risk Analysis. This open house was attended by 13 people. The attendees were a mix of residents and people that lived outside the city but worked in Auburn. Attendees were invited to review posters with the hazards, with Risk, vulnerability and impact summaries for each hazard. Once they reviewed the information and discussed the risks and impacts with staff, they were all invited to complete a questionnaire for city staff to consider while completing the mitigation planning process.

Key partners within the city such as the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe, Auburn Chamber of Commerce, Multicare Auburn (hospital) Auburn Public School District, Green River Community College, the Boeing Company, and other community groups were also invited to attend a briefing on the developing plan and provide input.

City staff reviewed the Hazard Risk Analysis and then assembled a larger group representing City Departments and evaluated City Assets at Risk to further evaluate the impact or risks directly on City assets. This group also evaluated the impact on residences and businesses due to each hazard. This information was considered as the work group developed Hazard Mitigation Strategies in an effort to mitigate the hazards as identified.

Once the risk analysis and mitigation strategies were developed by the larger group a second public open house was conducted on October 30th at 5:30 PM in the City's EOC. The purpose of this open house was to educate the public to the developing plan and solicit feedback from the public prior to adoption of the plan. This open house was attended by 14 residents and provided feedback on the draft plan before it's completion and submission to King County.

Jurisdiction Planning Team

Name	TITLE	Organization	Contribution
Randy Bailey	Assistant Director, Public Works	City of Auburn	Attended planning meetings, helped identify assets at risk, develop mitigation strategies.
Dane Carson	Senior GIS/Database Specialist	City of Auburn	Attended planning meetings, helped develop and provide maps for Mitigation Planning process
Scott Currie	Emergency Preparedness Assistant	City of Auburn	Attended planning meetings
Ingrid Gaub	Director, Public Works	City of Auburn	Attended planning meetings, helped develop assets at risk, mitigation strategies.
Brenda Goodson- Moore	Customer Care Manager	City of Auburn	Attended planning meetings, helped develop assets at risk, mitigation strategies.





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Hannah Heyrich	Disaster Educator	AmeriCorps volunteer with City of Auburn	Attended planning meetings, helped develop
			assets at risk, mitigation strategies.
Dana Hinman	Director of Emergency	City of Auburn	Attended planning
	Management		meetings, provided
			direction for planning
			process
Melissa Medisch	Human Resources	City of Auburn	Attended planning
	Analyst		meetings, helped identify
			assets at risk, develop
I in a Manua	Estivis Manage	C't of A lame	mitigation strategies
Lisa Moore	Facilities Manager	City of Auburn	Attended planning
			meetings, helped identify
			assets at risk, develop mitigation strategies.
Brian Petty	Recreation Manager	City of Auburn	Attended planning
Difair I City	recreation manager	Oity Of Mubuiii	meetings, helped identify
			assets at risk, develop
			mitigation strategies.
Ashley Riggs	Assistant Director, IT	City of Auburn	Attended planning
₹ 00	,		meetings, helped identify
			assets at risk, develop
			mitigation strategies
Doug Ruth	Assistant City Attorney	City of Auburn	Attended planning
			meetings, helped identify
			assets at risk, develop
			mitigation strategies
Alexandria Teague	Planner II	City of Auburn	Attended planning
			meetings, coordinated
			with Community Development staff, helped
			development start, neiped develop timeline for
			planning process
Jerry Thorson	Emergency Manager	City of Auburn	Attended planning
J y		330) 91 2300 023	meetings, helped draft
			language for Risk
			Assessment, and
			preparation for Public
			Open House. Attended
			Public Outreach event
			with the public on August
D 1177	D' CT '	C'. CA 1	15, 2019.
David Travis	Director of Innovation	City of Auburn	Attended planning
	and Technology		meetings, helped identify
			assets at risk, develop mitigation strategies.
Tyler Turner	Emergency Management	City of Auburn	Attended planning
Tyler Turner	Specialist	City of Hubuili	meetings, helped draft
	Ореспине		language for Risk
			Assessment, and
			preparation for Public





			Open House. Attended Public Outreach event with the public on August 15, 2019.
Sarah Yancey	Emergency Management Coordinator	Valley Regional Fire	Attended planning meetings, helped develop Timeline for planning process.

Plan Update Timeline

PLANNING ACTIVITY	DATE	SUMMARY	ATTENDEES
Initial Mitigation	7-19-19	Discussed goals of	Hinman, Turner, Currie,
Planning Team		planning process,	Teague, Carson, Yancey-
Meeting		timeline, development of	Nuss, Thorson
		the Auburn Annex to the	
		plan, Risk Assessment	
		process, meeting	
		schedule, other plans,	
		data.	
Mitigation Planning	7-25-19	Developed timeline,	Teague, Turner, Thorson
Committee		developed a plan to	
		complete Risk	
		Assessment, assets at	
		risk, identified options	
Risk Assessment	7-29-19	for Public Outreach. Reviewed historical data,	Turner, Thorson
Development	7-30-19		Turner, Thorson
Development	7-31-19	past plans, Risk assessment Database,	
	7-31-19	developed draft Risk	
		assessment document	
Review of Risk	8-6-19	Reviewed draft of Risk	Thorson, Yancey-Nuss,
Assessment by		Assessment, discussed	Turner, Carson, Teague,
mitigation planning		plan for identifying assets	Currie, Hinman
team		at risk, and created plan	,
		for public outreach event	
		that occurred on August	
		15, 2019.	
Review and	8-8-19	Identification of	Thorson, Turner, Moore,
development of assets		Auburn's critical assets	Currie, Bailey, Petty,
at risk		and their vulnerability to	Medisch, Teague,
		hazards. This review	Hinman
		included city-owned	
		facilities, landmarks,	
		industries, etc.	
Dlanning	8-22-19	Dovious work completed	Thorson, Carson, Turner,
Planning	0-22-19	Review work completed and develop plan for next	Currie, Teague
		steps	Guille, Teague
		steps	





Assets at Risk Meeting (HR, Finance, Legal, Admin)	9-10-19	Review and consider assets at risk for Human Resources, Finance, Administration, Legal, Facilities	Thorson, Turner, Moore, Martinson, Goodwin- Moore, Ruth, Heyrich
Assets at Risk Meeting (PW, Parks)	9-11-19	Review and consider assets at risk for Public Works and Parks	Bailey, Petty, Gaub, Thorson, Turner, Heyrich
Assets at Risk Meeting (IT)	9-12-19	Review and consider assets at risk for Police and IT	Hinman, Travis, Turner, Thorson
Cyber Attack Mitigation Strategy	9-24-19	Develop strategies for mitigating Cyber Attacks	Thorson, Riggs, Travis, Turner
Review of Draft Plan	10-15-19	Review final draft of plan before second public open house to review plan	Hinman, Gaub, Teague Turner, Currie, Heyrich, Thorson

Public Outreach

Public Outreach Events

EVENT	DATE	SUMMARY	ATTENDEES
Public Open House	August 15, 2019, in City Hall from 6:00-7:30.	Staff prepared maps showing the hazard areas along with descriptions of the hazard and potential impact. The public was invited and reviewed materials, had the opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback on all aspects of the risk analysis and assets at risk. Suggestions were considered by staff and changes to the draft were made as appropriate.	We had 13 members of the public attend the Open House, they reviewed 10 large posters with maps; risk Vulnerability, and impact summaries for each natural hazard faced in Auburn. They also viewed 2 additional flood inundation maps. Staff were on hand to engage the attendees, and answer any questions. After reviewing the information and asking questions, the attendees were asked to complete a questionnaire. The feedback from the public outreach was considered in the development of the Auburn Annex to the plan.
Public Open House	October 30, 2019	Staff used the maps and other documents from	We had 14 members of the public attend the





	the first Open House and	Open House staff
	the first Open House and	Open House, staff
	new displays showing the	engaged with the public
	mitigation strategies to be	and filled in the details of
	included in the plan. The	the plan as needed. The
	public was invited to	public viewed, the hazard
	review materials and had	maps, the strategies to
	the opportunity to	mitigate the hazards and
	provide feedback on all	shared their thoughts on
	aspects of the draft plan.	the plan. The draft plan
		was posted on the City's
		website for review prior
		to the Open House.
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Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Program

Hazard mitigation strategies were developed through a two-step process. The City of Auburn met with an internal planning team made up of staff from all departments to identify a comprehensive range of mitigation strategies. These strategies were then prioritized using a process established at the county level and documented in the base plan.

Each city department that has submitted a strategy plan will continue to work towards progress on that strategy. This includes advocacy for budget allocations, workload assignments, and grant applications that support accomplishment of those strategies.

Plan Monitoring, Implementation, and Future Updates

King County leads the mitigation plan monitoring and update process and schedules the annual plan check-ins and bi-annual mitigation strategy updates. Updates on mitigation projects are solicited by the county for inclusion in the countywide annual report.

As a participant in the 2020 update to the Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan, the city of Auburn agrees to convene their internal planning team at least annually to review their progress on hazard mitigation strategies and to update the plan based on new data or recent disasters. This will be accomplished by a subgroup of the City's Emergency Management Committee.

When King County sends federal notices of funding opportunity for the Hazard Mitigation Assistance Grant Program, the city will evaluate the viability of projects eligible for such grants and submit grant applications if appropriate to align with the priorities of the Hazard Mitigation Plan. This will be a key strategy to implement the plan.

The next plan update is expected to be due in April 2025. The City of Auburn will submit a letter of intent by 2023, at least two years prior to plan expiration. The county will lead the next regional planning effort, beginning at least 18 months before the expiration of the 2020 plan.

Plan Integration

The Auburn Mitigation Plan is intended to help facilitate integration of our emergency planning efforts. When our plans are integrated, it is possible to obtain greater impact through partnerships, innovation, better investments and partnerships. This effort requires coordination between various City Departments and regional partners. The local hazard mitigation process benefits from integration with other city planning processes:

- Prioritize and invest in infrastructure
- Regulate development
- Set Strategic direction for programs

King County Overall Plan Goals:

- Access to Affordable, Healthy Food
- 2. Access to Health and Human Services
- 3. Access to Parks and Natural Resources
- Access to Safe and Efficient Transportation
- 5. Affordable, Safe, Quality Housing
- 6. Community and Public Safety
- 7. Early Childhood Development
- 8. Economic Development
- 9. Equitable Law and Justice System
- 10. Equity in Government Practices
- Family Wage Jobs and Job Training
- 12. Healthy Built and Natural Environments
- 13. Quality Education
- 14. Strong, Vibrant Neighborhoods





For the other City planning processes, the hazard mitigation plan brings risk and vulnerability information to help prioritize projects and set development standards or regulations. It is intended to be reviewed and considered as other city plans are developed or updated.

There are many planning processes within Auburn that impact hazard risk. Some of the major ones are listed below:

Title	Description	Lead	Integration Strategy
Comprehensive	The City of Auburn	Community	Encourage updates to
Plan	Comprehensive Plan is the long-	Development	the critical areas
	range guiding policy document for	•	ordinance. Provide
	all land use and development		feedback and
	regulations within the city,		comments on the
	including transit, sewers, parks,		plan.
	trails and open space.		
Comprehensive	The CEMP is for use by elected	Emergency	The Hazard
Emergency	and appointed City officials	Management	Mitigation Plan
Management	including; department directors,		provides the risk
Plan (CEMP)	managers and staff in mitigating,		profiles that support
, , ,	preparing for, responding to, and		the development of
	recovering from disasters. This		the CEMP. The
	plan is a product of coordinated		Hazard Mitigation
	planning efforts between Auburn		Plan is also a
	Emergency Management, City		component (the
	departments, emergency		mitigation
	management representatives from		component) of the
	various political jurisdictions, and		CEMP.
	selected private and nonprofit		
	sector interests. It meets the		
	requirements of WAC 118-30 and		
	the Federal Emergency		
	Management Agency's (FEMA)		
	planning guidance for the National		
	Response Framework and the		
	National Incident Management		
	System (NIMS) compliance.		
Capital	Capital facilities plans identify and	Various	Integrate mitigation
Facilities Plan	prioritize large-scale projects. All		strategies from capital
	city departments have some		plans. Encourage the
	responsibility for development of		use of hazard
	the capital facilities plan.		information to
			prioritize capital
			improvements.
			Support city
			departments with
			funding gaps in
			accessing Hazard
			Mitigation Assistance
			to complete or expand
			projects that are
			identified as important
			but are unfunded or
			partially funded.





Continued Public Participation

The City of Auburn already maintains substantial public outreach capabilities, focusing on personal preparedness and education. Information on ongoing progress in implementing the hazard mitigation plan will be integrated into public outreach efforts. This will provide Auburn residents, already engaged in personal preparedness efforts, with context and the opportunity to provide feedback on the county's progress and priorities in large-scale mitigation. In the vertical integration of risk-reduction activities from personal to local to state and federal, it is important that the public understand how its activities support, and are supported by, larger-scale efforts.

The outreach and mitigation teams will also continue to work with media and other agency partners to publicize mitigation success stories and help explain how vulnerabilities are being fixed. When possible, public tours of mitigation projects will be organized to allow community members to see successful mitigation in action.

Hazard Mitigation Authorities, Responsibilities, and Capabilities

Plans

PLAN TITLE	RESPONSIBLE AGENCY	POINT OF CONTACT	RELATIONSHIP TO HAZARD MITIGATION DIAMA
Comprehensive Plan	Community Development	Jeff Tate	The City's development regulations including the comprehensive plan provide for identification, regulations, and protection of environmentally sensitive areas, geological hazard areas, and flood hazard areas. The comprehensive and mitigation plans are mutually supportive and provide direction for the City's planning efforts.
Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (CEMP)	Emergency Management Division	Jerry E. Thorson	The CEMP has a direct relationship to the Hazard Mitigation plan. Many aspects of the CEMP are based on the risks outlined in the Mitigation Plan. Our CEMP is both "generic and hazard specific" in reaction to the hazards identified in the risk assessment part of the plan.
Capital Facilities Plan	Finance Department	Jamie Thomas	The Capital Facilities Plan and the Mitigation Plan are linked in that mitigation efforts related to the City's





	infrastructure will normally be included in the Capital Facilities Plan for consideration and funding by the city's leadership.

Programs, Policies, and Processes

PROGRAM/POLICY	RESPONSIBLE AGENCY	POINT OF CONTACT	RELATIONSHIP TO HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN
Building Codes	Community Development	Jason Krum	The building codes utilized by the city are considered all-hazards. The City has the ability to modify building codes upon adoption reflecting risks and hazards for the City.
Emergency Management Program	Emergency Management Division	Jerry Thorson	The City of Auburn's emergency management program is based off of the risk assessment in the Mitigation Plan. Our educational programs use the risks identified to inform the public of what may happen in Auburn and how to prepare for the impact on residences and businesses.
Critical Areas Ordinance	Community Development, Planning Services Division	Jeff Dixon	The relationship of the mitigation plan and the critical areas ordinance is that they both address some of the same subjects that relate to natural features, especially flood, groundwater protection areas and geologic hazards. Additionally, the mitigation plan and the critical areas ordinance share the comment purpose of protecting public health, safety and general welfare.





Entities Responsible for Hazard Mitigation

AGENCY/ORGANIZATION	POINT OF CONTACT	RESPONSIBILITY(S)
Public Works	Ingrid Gaub	Identifying departmental assets at risk, creating mitigation strategies, and implementing of strategies as possible.
Community Development	Jeff Tate	Identifying departmental assets at risk, creating mitigation strategies, and implementing of strategies as possible.
Office of the Mayor	Dana Hinman	As Director of Emergency Management, responsible for mitigation planning process and identifying departmental assets at risk, creating mitigation strategies, and implementing of strategies as possible.
Innovation & Technology	David Travis	Identifying departmental assets at risk, creating mitigation strategies, and implementing of strategies as possible.
Human Resources	Candis Martinson	Identifying departmental assets at risk, creating mitigation strategies, and implementing of strategies as possible.
Legal	Steve Gross	Identifying departmental assets at risk, creating mitigation strategies, and implementing of strategies as possible.
Police	William Pierson	Identifying departmental assets at risk, creating mitigation strategies, and implementing of strategies as possible.
Finance	Jamie Thomas	Identifying departmental assets at risk, creating mitigation strategies, and implementing of strategies as possible.
Parks, Arts & Recreation	Daryl Faber	Identifying departmental assets at risk, creating mitigation strategies, and implementing of strategies as possible.

National Flood Insurance Program

National Flood Insurance Program Compliance

What department is responsible for floodplain	Department of Community Development
management in your community?	
Who is your community's floodplain	Jeff Tate, Director of Community Development
administrator? (title/position)	
What is the date of adoption of your flood	Ordinance 6295 May 3 rd , 2010
damage prevention ordinance?	
When was the most recent Community	2007 CAV visit with March 2008 final report
Assistance Visit or Community Assistance	
Contact?	





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Does your community have any outstanding	No
NFIP compliance violations that need to be	
addressed? If so, please state what they are?	
Do your flood hazard maps adequately address	Yes. The City is utilizing the Flood Insurance Rate
the flood risk within your community? If so,	Maps (FIRM) required by FEMA. FEMA is in the
please state why.	process of updating the Green River FIRM's. The
	City of Auburn intends on adopting these maps by or
	before 180 days after FEMA issues a Letter of
	Determination to the City of Auburn to adopt the
	new maps.
Does your floodplain management staff need any	The City of Auburn currently has three Certified
assistance or training to support its floodplain	Floodplain Managers. These staff members and other
management program? If so, what type of	City of Auburn staff engage in continuing education
training/assistance is needed?	offered by FEMA and other agencies to stay current
	with floodplain management regulations. City staff
	contacts Washington State Department of Ecology
	and FEMA Region X as needed for support.
Does your community participate in the	Our classification is a 5. This classification was last
Community Rating System (CRS)? If so, what is	updated/provided as a result of a CRS audit at the
your CRS Classification and are you seeing to	end of 2018 and final score determined on February
improve your rating? If not, is your community	21, 2019.
interested in joining CRS?	
How many Severe Repetitive Loss (SRL) and	SRL: 0
Repetitive Loss (RL) properties are located in	RL: 0
your jurisdiction?	
Has your community ever conducted an elevation	In 1996 the City purchased 1508 W Main St. (parcel
or buy out of a flood-prone property? If so, what	no. 1421049036) in Auburn, WA for open space
fund source did you use? If not, are you	utilizing Hazard Mitigation Grant Program funds.
interested in pursuing buyouts of flood prone	This property was a repetitive loss property; but
properties?	because the city acquired it and demolished the
	building it is no longer in that category.

Hazard Mitigation Strategies

The first step in creating Auburn's 2019 Mitigation Strategies was a review of the 2015 plan. Staff reviewed the plan, and determined past accomplishments and challenges. Staff then evaluated whether any of the items from the 2015 plan should be carried over into the 2019 updates. Once that step was accomplished, plan participants began development of the 2019 strategies. Once the Mitigation Plan is adopted by City Council, the appropriate departments will consider the strategies as future budgets are developed and will work with regional partners to leverage funding options and mutual benefits of working together.

2015 Hazard Mitigation Strategy Status

STRATEGY	DESCRIPTION	Priority	Status
AU-1 Maintain	The City of Auburn has maintained	High	Completed/Ongoing
compliance under	compliance with the National Flood Insurance	_	
the National Flood	Program since adoption of the flood damage		
Insurance Program	prevention ordinance on May 3rd, 2010		
	(Ordinance No. 6295). The City has		





	maintained compliance by using the Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) required by		
	FEMA, participating in the Community Rating System, and certifying staff to function as certified floodplain managers.		
AU-2 Retrofit Maintenance and Operations Facility to reduce susceptibility to earthquake damage.	The City is completing a space planning effort in 2019 including the potential for relocation or partial relocation of the M&O facilities. Should relocation become the City's preferred alternative, retrofitting the existing site may not be necessary.	Low	Not completed- Carry over to 2019 plan
AU-3 Installation of seismic protection valves on City reservoirs to provide for automatic shutoff in event of an earthquake	3 reservoirs are completed, 5 more remaining to retrofit.	Medium	Not completed- Carry over to 2019 plan
AU-4 Upgrade computer server racks throughout the City to reduce susceptibility to earthquake damage	Completed per the 2015 action plan. No new rack added since.	High	Do not carry over to 2019 plan.
AU-5 Implement software and hardware to comply with State Certification requirements for destruction of source documents after digitizing. This will safeguard records in case of disaster	The City purchased the software, license and hardware and have since implemented Laser fiche for official document storage. The project is slated for 2019 to implement retention, electronic forms, electronic signatures and automated workflows, however that is for operational efficiencies. The City is compliant with the state now.	High	Completed
AU-6 Expand and reconfigure stormwater detention ponds on West Hill along S. 296th St to reduce wintertime flooding along the valley floor below	The proposed expansion of the South 296 th Street storm pond would result in only a minor reduction in flows to the valley tributary and not improve the overall existing conditions.	N/A	Not completed- Do not carry over to 2019 plan.
AU-7 Prepare and adopt a new optional Comprehensive Plan	While this was identified and remains of value, it is not a <u>Mandatory</u> or listed <u>Optional</u> element of Comprehensive (land use) Plans; it is not a subject that this required to be addressed under the WA State Growth	Low	Do not carry over to 2019 plan.





element for Natural Hazard Reduction	Management Act (GMA) (RCW 36.70A.070) (RCW 36.70A.080) and therefore has a low priority in comparison to other required updates to land use plans. There are also higher priorities of the dept. in light of staff resources. Also, this effort may be duplicative of some portions of the CEMP and Mitigation plan.		
AU-8 Measures to prevent acts of terrorism from occurring at key City facilities (Justice Center, EOC, City Hall, etc.)	Identify methods, processes or procedures to prevent and or mitigate acts of terrorism. This could include, barriers, structural changes, and policies.	High	Limited progress due to funding issues.
AU-9 Develop and adopt changes to City Code to limit tree removal within certain sloped or landslide susceptible area	Restricting tree removal on sloped or landslide areas happens now on a case-by-case basis under the authority of the CAO. This allows the restriction to be tailored to the circumstance; a more requirement of general applicability could be less flexible. While this was identified and remains of value, it is lessor priority.	Low	Geologic hazard areas including lands or areas susceptible to varying degrees of risk of landslides also known as landslide hazard areas, are subject to the City's Critical Areas Ordinance (CAO). The CAO classifies landslide hazard areas into four categories, with Class I landslide hazards indicating a low hazard and Class IV indicating a very high hazard. The CAO establishes when a landslide hazard area may be or may not be altered – alteration including removal of trees and vegetation.
AU-10 Create part or full time FTE position to conduct disaster related public education throughout the city	For the last four years, we've used AmeriCorps Disaster Educator(s) to meet this need. We will continue to recruit, train and utilize AmeriCorps personnel in the future	High	Completed Carry over to 2019 plan
AU-11 Enhance capability to produce City stats and data capability	City statistics are needed for understanding hazard risks and mitigation options for city leadership to consider.	High	Completed- in coordination with IT department.
AU-12 Create, fund, and administer a grant or low interest	Program intended to help homeowners obtain low cost funding to retrofit homes, mitigating	Medium	Not completed due to funding.





loan program that allows homeowners to retrofit single family homes to protect against impacts from hazards of concern within the City	potential damages from future events in Auburn.		
AU-13 Conduct community education campaign to address pandemic flu issues	Promotion of flu shots; also public education related to mumps and measles	High	Partially completed, continue to support and follow Seattle-King County Public Health initiatives. Do not carry over to 2019 plan.
AU-14 Continue to support county-wide initiatives identified in this plan	As a partner in the regional mitigation effort, the City will continue to participate and support the regional plan.	High	Completed Carry over to 2019 plan.
AU-15 Actively participate in the plan maintenance strategy identified in this plan	As a partner in the regional mitigation effort, the City will continue to participate and support the regional plan.	High	Completed Carry over to 2019 plan.

2020 Hazard Mitigation Strategies

STRATEGY	LEAD AGENCY/POC	TIMELINE	Priority
AU-1 Retrofit Maintenance and Operations Facility to reduce susceptibility to earthquake damage.	Public Works	Ongoing	Low
AU-2 Installation of seismic protection valves on City reservoirs to provide for automatic shutoff in event of an earthquake	Public Works	Ongoing	Medium
AU-3 Evaluating/Hardening City Network systems to mitigate cyber security events.	IT	New	High
AU-4 Develop and implement a Community Organizations Active in Disaster (COAD) program to increase community resiliency	Emergency Management	New	Medium





AU-5 Create part or full time FTE position to conduct disaster related public education throughout the city	Emergency Management	Ongoing	High
AU- 6 Funding/	Emergency Management	Ongoing	Medium
Partnership Mitigation			
Strategy			
AU-7 Continue to support county-wide initiatives identified in	City of Auburn	Ongoing	High
this plan	City of Auburn	Ongoing	High
AU-8 Actively participate in the plan maintenance	City of Aubum	Ongoing	підіі
strategy identified in this			
plan			





Hazard Mitigation Strategy

AU- 1: Retrofit Maintenance and Operations Facility to reduce susceptibility to earthquake damage.

Lead Points of Contact:	Partner Points of Contact:	Hazards Mitigated: • Seismic	Funding Sources and Estimated Costs: TBD
Randy Bailey Assistant Director of Public Works Services		Goals Addressed: • 4, 6, 8, 14	Real Estate Excise Tax Revenues, General fund, Grant funding

Strategy Vision/Objective:

Create a facility to house operations that would be available after a large seismic event. This facility is crucial to the operation of the City's Water, Sewer, Street and Storm systems during all emergency events. This facility also is home to our Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system for all City utilities and the Department's Operation Center (DOC). This facility also provides maintenance and repair of the City's entire fleet, including Police. These services can be crucial to maintain during emergencies to keep our staff able to provide response to the community.

Mitigation Strategy:

Retrofit existing 1970's era concrete tilt-up building to current seismic standards. This building is used as the City of Auburn Public Works Maintenance facility for street, utilities and fleet services. This building needs to be available for operations after a seismic event.

2-Year Objectives	5-Year Objectives:	Long-Term Objectives:
Apply for Funding for design and constructionSelect consultant and begin design	Start and complete retrofit construction	

Implementation Plan/Actions:

- Apply for grant opportunities in 2020
- Budget for Design in 2021
- Begin construction in 2023

- Design for Current seismic code at the time of building permit application
- Seek Grant funding
- Complete construction in 2023.





AU- 2: Installation of seismic protection valves on City reservoirs to provide for automatic shutoff in event of an earthquake

Lead Points of	Partner Points of	Hazards Mitigated:	Funding Sources
Contact:	Contact:	• Earthquake	and Estimated
Susan Fenhaus		1	Costs: TBD
Water Utility		Goals Addressed:	
Engineer, Public		• 1, 6, 8	General fund,
Works Department		2, 0, 0	FEMA Hazard
			Mitigation Grants

Strategy Vision/Objective:

All City reservoirs have automatic shutoff valves to retain water in the reservoir in the event of an earthquake.

Mitigation Strategy:

Some of the City's reservoirs currently have automatic shutoff valves; however, several facilities do not include this measure. The proposed mitigation would complete the installation of automatic shutoff valves on all reservoirs that do not currently have them. During an earthquake, broken pipes within the water system could cause a large amount of water to escape the reservoir(s). This could cause fluctuations in pressures within the system causing potential damage, it could also cause potential local flooding and would reduce the potable water available within the City's system. Closed valves keep water in the reservoir, preventing flooding.

2-Year Objectives:	5-Year Objectives:	Long-Term Objectives:
1 or 2 reservoirs without automatic shutoff valves will have valves installed	1 or 2 additional reservoirs without automatic shutoff valves will have valves installed.	All reservoirs will have automatic shutoff valves

Implementation Plan/Actions:

- Identify reservoirs without automatic shutoff valve
- Seek available grant funding
- Design valve installation projects specific to each reservoir
- Construct facility
- Regularly test and exercise valve operation

Performance Measures:

Valves at reservoirs automatically close in the event of an earthquake





AU- 3 Evaluating/Hardening City Network systems to mitigate cyber security events.

Lead Points of	Partner Points of Contact:	Hazards Mitigated:	Funding Sources
Contact:			and Estimated
	Network Security Vendors,	Cyber Attack	Costs: \$250,000
David Travis,	Counties, State, Federal,		
Director of	All City Departments/Personnel	Goals Addressed:	General Fund,
Innovation &	-	4, 6, 8, 9	Grants
Technology			
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Strategy Vision/Objective:

The City uses a variety of systems, services and devices to protect assets from a Cyber Attack.

Mitigation Strategy:

The City will use a combination of software, hardware, artificial and human intelligence to protect the City's assets from a Cyber Attack.

Innovation & Technology will increase education levels of City employees on best practices for Cyber Defense.

2-Year Objectives:

- Increase awareness of communication tools with industry leaders and experts.
- Review and evaluate security spending and employee training to ensure adequate cyber defense.

5-Year Objectives:

- Review legislative cyber security agendas to ensure alignment.
- Optimizing Network for City staff against Cyber Attacks.
- Have security systems in place to contain a Cyber Attack.

Long-Term Objectives:

 Partner with subject matter experts to perform Cyber Attack tests, audits and table top exercises.

Implementation Plan/Actions:

- Evaluate Cyber Security threat levels and impacts.
- Identify all risks and formulate mitigation strategies for each scenario.
- Train all City staff on their role to help protect and prevent the City's systems against a Cyber Attack.
- Secure necessary funding to achieve Cyber Security goals.
- Implement necessary changes to achieve Cyber Security goals.

Performance Measures:

Systems implemented have prevented or mitigated Cyber Attacks against City Assets or services.





AU- 4 Develop and implement a Community Organizations Active in Disaster (COAD) program to increase community resiliency

Lead Points of	Partner Points of Contact:	Hazards Mitigated /	Funding Sources
Contact:		All Hazards	and Estimated
			Costs: TBD
Jerry Thorson,	COAD Members	Goals Addressed:	General Funding
Emergency Manager		1, 2, 6, 14	_

Strategy Vision/Objective:

The City of Auburn will form a network of resiliency by connecting and educating community organizations, businesses, nonprofits, volunteer organizations, and the citizenry through the development of a COAD (Community Organizations Active in Disasters).

Mitigation Strategy:

The City of Auburn's Emergency Management Division will form a COAD (Community Organizations Active in Disasters) and provide member organizations with plan-development support while encouraging partnerships between organizations to increase the capacity of Auburn organizations to prepare for, respond to, and recover from disasters.

2-Year Objectives:

- Develop the COAD mentorship program and curriculum.
- Form sector-level COAD groups and begin the mentorship program.

5-Year Objectives:

- Evaluate need for programs to assist COAD members with emergency planning for their organizations.
- Evaluate/improve COAD progress from a whole community perspective.

Long-Term Objectives:

 Support the COAD network and their level of preparedness, provide ongoing training/support of COAD members.

Implementation Plan/Actions:

- Research and develop the COAD mentorship program, designed to be a guided process for emergency plan development with ongoing training opportunities and stakeholder engagement.
- Identify partners for potential sector-level COADs to promote communication between agencies/organizations with similar scopes or interests.
- Begin mentorship program with interested COAD members and establish the COAD group.
- Bridge connections between sector level COAD members to promote whole community resiliency and partnerships.

- Feedback from stakeholders and COAD member organizations.
- Evaluate participation by COAD members with a variety of measurements on a quarterly basis.
- Track progress on the development of emergency procedures within a member organization throughout the mentorship program.





AU- 5 Create part or full time FTE position to conduct disaster related public education throughout the city.

Lead Points of Contact:	Partner Points of Contact:	Hazards Mitigated: All Hazards	Funding Sources and Estimated Costs:
Jerry Thorson,	David Reid, Washington Service	Goals Addressed:	General Fund;
Emergency Manager	Corps/AmeriCorps	6, 14	\$15,000

Strategy Vision/Objective:

Auburn is well educated on the hazards faced within and around the City. This has created a more resilient and prepared community for the emergencies faced around the area. The Public Outreach efforts have incorporated a whole community approach including vulnerable populations and those with Limited English Proficiency (LEP).

Mitigation Strategy:

Auburn will recruit and hire an AmeriCorps member funded through the Washington Service Corps that will serve as a Disaster Educator for the Auburn community. The Disaster Educator will complete a 10-month tenure and perform the following responsibilities:

- Coordinate Disaster Education and Preparedness activities.
- Coordinate Emergency Response Team program.
- Recruit and manage emergency volunteers.
- Coordinate Disaster Preparedness Education through the City.
- Evaluate on an annual basis whether to continue with an AmeriCorps position or fund via another source.

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2-Year Objectives:	5-Year Objectives:	Long-Term Objectives:
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Provide Disaster Preparedness	Provide Disaster Preparedness	Provide Disaster Preparedness
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Auburn School District, Homeowners	Auburn School District,	Auburn School District,
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Associations, Local Businesses, Faith-	Homeowners Associations,	Homeowners Associations, Local
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Based Communities, and Local	Local Businesses, Faith-Based	Businesses, Faith-Based
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Implementation Plan/Actions:

On an annual basis, City staff will work with Washington Service Corps to recruit, hire and train a Disaster Educator through AmeriCorps. The educator will work with the Auburn School District, Homeowners Associations, Local Businesses, Faith-Based Communities, and Local Events to schedule and provide training for as many community members as possible.

The Emergency Management staff will coach and mentor the Disaster Educator to provide up-to-date disaster preparedness education to the public.

Performance Measures:

The performance measures may change on an annual basis and will be based on the agreement with the Washington Service Corps program.





AU- 6 Funding/Partnership Mitigation strategy

Lead Points of	Partner Points of Contact (Title)	Hazards Mitigated:	Funding Sources
Contact (Title)		All Hazards	and Estimated
	Washington State Military Department.		Costs
Jerry Thorson	EM Division, FEMA	Goals Addressed:	Staff time
Emergency Manager		4, 6, 8	City share TBD

Strategy Vision/Objective:

Leverage community partnerships (public and private) and grant funding opportunities to address mitigation priorities within the city.

Mitigation Strategy:

 Reach out to community partners to determine shared concerns and priorities around hazard mitigation.

grant funding

• Negotiate cost-share agreements for shared projects, or allocate matching funds from city budget to meet grant requirements.

2-Year Objectives:	5-Year Objectives:	Long-Term
Identify new partners for mitigation projects where	Complete one project with partner participation and/or	• Co

Long-Term Objectives:

 Continue to cultivate a community culture that participates in investment in mitigation.

Implementation Plan/Actions:

appropriate.

Submit grant applications when opportunities arise.

- Develop membership contact information to encourage memberships and make new connections with mitigation partners.
- Introduce mitigation concepts in meetings with external stakeholders.
- Maintain grant documentation files and tracking systems for applications.

- Submit one grant application every two years.
- Complete one project with partner participation and/or grant funding.





AU-7 Continue to support county-wide initiatives identified in this plan

Lead Points of	Partner Points of Contact:	Hazards Mitigated	Funding Sources and
Contact:		All Hazards	Estimated Costs:
			TBD
Jerry Thorson,	Derek Heibert,	Goals Addressed:	
Emergency Manager	King County OEM	1, 4, 5, 6, 8, 14	General
			Fund/Grants

Strategy Vision/Objective:

The City's hazard mitigation efforts remain aligned with the King County Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan. Auburn's efforts compliment King County's initiatives.

Mitigation Strategy:

Auburn will strive to accomplish the goals in the King County Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan, specifically the Auburn Annex. City stakeholders will follow the direction and guidelines provided by King County OEM. City staff will coordinate with County representatives on mutual projects to ensure mitigation efforts are producing the best possible outcome for the community. Auburn will continue to participate in future renewals of the Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan.

2-Year Objectives:

- Consider Mitigation Funding through the City budget process.
- Participate in County Mitigation Planning efforts.
- Collaborate with neighboring jurisdictions and their mitigation efforts.

5-Year Objectives:

- Participate in the renewal of the Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan.
- Seek grants to accomplish goals and objectives listed in the Auburn Annex.

Long-Term Objectives:

 Strengthen stakeholder relationships between City and County to ensure mitigation efforts are accomplished continuously.

Implementation Plan/Actions:

- Participate in future King County Mitigation efforts.
- Help educate the Public on Mitigation efforts.
- Seek funding as needed to participate in Mitigation efforts.
- Educate City Leadership & Elected Officials throughout the Mitigation Planning process.

- Feedback from stakeholders, including City and County Leadership, and the General Public.
- Completion of shared goals and objectives.





AU-8 Actively participate in the plan maintenance strategy identified in this plan

Lead Points of	Partner Points of Contact:	Hazards Mitigated	Funding Sources
Contact:		All Hazards	and Estimated
			Costs: \$0
Jerry Thorson,	Derek Heibert,	Goals Addressed:	
Emergency Manager	King County OEM	4, 6	Staff time

Strategy Vision/Objective:

The City of Auburn will actively participate in the monitoring, evaluating, and updating of the King County Regional Mitigation Plan every 5 years. In addition, the City incorporates the requirements of the Mitigation Plan into other appropriate planning mechanisms. Lastly, the Auburn community continues to be involved in the plan maintenance process.

Mitigation Strategy:

As possible, the City of Auburn will participate in the Steering Committee which will be involved in key elements of the plan maintenance strategy and will also participate with King County in performing annual reviews. As a planning partner with King County OEM, Auburn will provide feedback to the planning team on items involved in the Annual Progress Report.

Auburn will encourage public involvement based on guidance from the Steering Committee to obtain feedback from local residents. This strategy will be based on the needs and capabilities of the partners at the time of the update.

2-Year Objectives:

 Auburn will participate in the annual reviews of the King County Regional Mitigation Plan.

5-Year Objectives:

 Auburn will participate in the 5 year cycle update of the King County Regional Mitigation Plan.

Long-Term Objectives:

 Auburn will actively participate in the monitoring, evaluating, and updating of the King County Regional Mitigation Plan.

Implementation Plan/Actions:

- Participate in future King County Mitigation efforts through our Steering Committee and Planning Team
- Help educate the Public on Mitigation efforts.
- Educate City Leadership & Elected Officials throughout the Mitigation Planning process.

- Feedback from stakeholders, including City and County Leadership, and the General Public.
- Annual review is completed and progress report is submitted to King County
- Five-year plan revision is completed and submitted to King County.



