

D Plan Approval Documentation

The documentation of NHHSEM's Approved Pending Adoption (APA) status of the Hazard Mitigation Plan 2019, the Board of Selectmen's Certificate of Adoption, NHHSEM's Notification of Formal Approval and FEMA's Letter of Formal Approval are attached. FEMA's letter confirms and validates the State's Plan approval.

- NHHSEM Approvable Pending Adoption (APA) Notification ◇ _____ **05-29-19**
- Warner Board of Selectmen Certificate of Adoption ◇ _____ **06-11-19**
- NHHSEM Notification of Formal Approval ◇ _____ **06-25-19**
- FEMA's Letter of Formal Approval ◇ _____ **06-25-19**

The approved regulatory checklist review provided by the NHHSEM is attached which indicates how and where the **2019 Plan** met the federal Plan requirements. The final review tool also suggests improvements for next **2024 Plan**.

- NHHSEM Local Mitigation Plan Review Tool ◇ _____ **06-25-19**

Warner Hazard Mitigation Plan Update 2019 lapses on 06-25-24

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Good afternoon!

The Department of Safety, Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Management (HSEM) has completed its review of the Warner, NH Hazard Mitigation Plan and found it approvable pending adoption. Congratulations on a job well done!

With this approval, the jurisdiction meets the local mitigation planning requirements under 44 CFR 201 **pending HSEM's receipt of electronic copies of the adoption documentation and the final plan.**

Acceptable electronic formats include Word or PDF files and must be submitted to us via email at HazardMitigationPlanning@dos.nh.gov. Upon HSEM's receipt of these documents, notification of formal approval will be issued, along with the final Checklist and Assessment.

The approved plan will be submitted to FEMA on the same day the community receives the formal approval notification from HSEM. FEMA will then issue a Letter of Formal Approval to HSEM for dissemination that will confirm the jurisdiction's eligibility to apply for mitigation grants administered by FEMA and identify related issues affecting eligibility, if any. If the plan is not adopted within one calendar year of HSEM's Approval Pending Adoption, the jurisdiction must update the entire plan and resubmit it for HSEM review. If you have questions or wish to discuss this determination further, please contact me at Kayla.Henderson@dos.nh.gov or 603-223-3650.

Thank you for submitting the Warner, NH Hazard Mitigation Plan and again, congratulations on your successful community planning efforts.

Sincerely,

Kayla J. Henderson

**NH Department of Safety – Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Management
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1 PLANNING PROCESS

The Town's Hazard Mitigation Committee reformed to rewrite the Plan into a more concise format and to incorporate the newest material required by FEMA in addition to updating the Town's newest information since 2014. This Planning Process Chapter contains information previously available in the Introduction Chapter of the **Plan Update 2014**. Expanded public participation steps were taken and a new plan development procedure was used as documented in the Methodology section.

Certificate of Adoption, 2019

Town of Warner, NH
Board of Selectmen
5 East Main Street
Warner, NH 03278

A Resolution Adopting the Warner Hazard Mitigation Plan Update 2019

WHEREAS, the Town of Warner has historically experienced severe damage from natural hazards and it continues to be vulnerable to the effects of the hazards profiled in the **Hazard Mitigation Plan Update 2019** including but not limited to flooding, high wind events, severe winter weather, and fire, resulting in loss of property and life, economic hardship, and threats to public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Warner has developed and received conditional approval from the NH Homeland Security and Emergency Management (NHHSEM) for its **Hazard Mitigation Plan Update 2019** under the requirements of 44 CFR 201.6; and

WHEREAS, public and Committee meetings were held between **October 2018** through **February 2019** regarding the development and review of the **Hazard Mitigation Plan Update 2019**; and

WHEREAS, the **Plan** specifically addresses hazard mitigation strategies, and Plan maintenance procedures for the Town of Warner; and

WHEREAS, the **Plan** recommends several hazard mitigation actions (projects) that will provide mitigation for specific natural hazards that impact the Town of Warner with the effect of protecting people and property from loss associated with those hazards; and

WHEREAS, adoption of this Plan will make the Town of Warner eligible for funding to alleviate the effects of future hazards; now therefore be it

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Subject: Warner, NH - Local Hazard Mitigation Plan - Formal Approval
Date: Tuesday, June 25, 2019 2:06:21 PM
Attachments: [Warner NH Final Local Mitigation Plan Review Tool.pdf](#)

Good afternoon,

Congratulations! The Town of Warner's Local Hazard Mitigation Plan has received **Formal Approval** as of today, **June 25, 2019**. This State Formal Approval is based upon the New Hampshire Department of Safety, Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Management's (HSEM) determination that the community's Local Hazard Mitigation Plan successfully met the requirements of 44 C.F.R Pt. 201. A copy of the adopted plan has been submitted to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for their records.

Please find the Final Local Mitigation Plan Review Tool attached. The Town of Warner will receive a copy of FEMA's Formal Approval Letter reflecting the approval date identified above within the next few weeks.

Thank you for your continued dedication to hazard mitigation!

Best,

Kayla J. Henderson

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FEMA

Alexxandre Monastiero, State Hazard Mitigation Officer
New Hampshire Department of Safety, Homeland Security and Emergency Management
33 Hazen Drive
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Dear Ms. Monastiero:

As outlined in the FEMA-State Agreement for FEMA-DR-4316, your office has been delegated the authority to review and approve local mitigation plans under the Program Administration by States Pilot Program. Our Agency has been notified that your office completed its review of the Town of Warner New Hampshire Hazard Mitigation Plan Update 2019 and approved it effective **June 25, 2019** through **June 24, 2024** in accordance with the planning requirements of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (Stafford Act), as amended, the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended, and Title 44 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 201.

With this plan approval, the jurisdiction is eligible to apply to New Hampshire Homeland Security and Emergency Management for mitigation grants administered by FEMA. Requests for funding will be evaluated according to the eligibility requirements identified for each of these programs. A specific mitigation activity or project identified in this community's plan may not meet the eligibility requirements for FEMA funding; even eligible mitigation activities or projects are not automatically approved.

The plan must be updated and resubmitted to the FEMA Region I Mitigation Division for approval every five years to remain eligible for FEMA mitigation grant funding.

Thank you for your continued commitment and dedication to risk reduction demonstrated by preparing and adopting a strategy for reducing future disaster losses. Should you have any questions, please contact Melissa Surette at (617) 956-7559 or Melissa.Surette@fema.dhs.gov.

Sincerely,


Captain W. Russ Webster, USCG (Ret.), CEM
Regional Administrator
FEMA Region I

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cc: Fallon Reed, Chief of Planning, New Hampshire

LOCAL MITIGATION PLAN REVIEW TOOL

Jurisdiction Name & State: **Town of Warner, New Hampshire**

The *Local Mitigation Plan Review Tool* demonstrates how the Local Mitigation Plan meets the regulation in 44 CFR §201.6 and offers States and FEMA Mitigation Planners an opportunity to provide feedback to the community.

- The Regulation Checklist provides a summary of FEMA’s evaluation of whether the Plan has addressed all requirements.
- The Plan Assessment identifies the plan’s strengths as well as documents areas for future improvement.
- The Multi-jurisdiction Summary Sheet is an optional worksheet that can be used to document how each jurisdiction met the requirements of the each Element of the Plan (Planning Process; Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment; Mitigation Strategy; Plan Review, Evaluation, and Implementation; and Plan Adoption).

The FEMA Mitigation Planner must reference this *Local Mitigation Plan Review Guide* when completing the *Local Mitigation Plan Review Tool*.

Jurisdiction: Town of Warner, New Hampshire	Title of Plan: Town of Warner, NH Hazard Mitigation Plan Update 2019	Date of Plan: 04-02-19
Single or Multi-jurisdiction plan? SINGLE		New Plan or Plan Update? UPDATE
Local Point of Contact #1: Mr. Clyde Carson Title [Chief Elected Official]: Board of Selectmen Chair Agency: Town of Warner, NH Phone Number: 603.456.2298 (Town Office) E-Mail: selectboard@warner.nh.us Address: 5 East Main Street, Warner, NH 03278 (Town Office)		Local Point of Contact #3: Mr. James Bingham Title: Town Administrator Agency: Town of Warner, NH Phone Number: 603.456.2298 E-Mail: administrator@warner.nh.us Address: 5 East Main Street, Warner, NH 03278 (Town Office)
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Plan Developer Point of Contact: Ms. Stephanie Alexander Title: Senior Planner Agency: Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission (CNHRPC) Phone Number: 603.226.6020 E-Mail: salexander@cnhrpc.org ♦ Website: www.cnhrpc.org Address: 28 Commercial Street, Suite 3, Concord, NH 03301 Please notify & cc: on all correspondence regarding the Warner Hazard Mitigation Plan		
State Reviewer: Kayla Henderson	Title: State Hazard Mitigation Planner E-Mail: Kayla.Henderson@dos.nh.gov	Date: 6.25.19
Date Received at NH HSEM:	04/02/2019	
Plan Not Approved:		
Plan Approvable Pending Adoption:	5/29/2019	
Plan Approved:	6/11/2019	

**SECTION 1:
REGULATION CHECKLIST**

INSTRUCTIONS: The Regulation Checklist must be completed by FEMA. The purpose of the Checklist is to identify the location of relevant or applicable content in the Plan by Element/sub-element and to determine if each requirement has been ‘Met’ or ‘Not Met.’ The ‘Required Revisions’ summary at the bottom of each Element must be completed by FEMA to provide a clear explanation of the revisions that are required for plan approval. Required revisions must be explained for each plan sub-element that is ‘Not Met.’ Sub-elements should be referenced in each summary by using the appropriate numbers (A1, B3, etc.), where applicable. Requirements for each Element and sub-element are described in detail in this *Plan Review Guide* in Section 4, Regulation Checklist.

A. REGULATION CHECKLIST Regulation (44 CFR 201.6 Local Mitigation Plans)	Location in Plan (section and/or page number)	Met	Not Met
ELEMENT A. PLANNING PROCESS			
A1. Does the Plan document the planning process, including how it was prepared and who was involved in the process for each jurisdiction? (Requirement §201.6(c)(1))	<p>Ch 1: Planning Process, pp. 1-8.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Plan Process Acknowledgements, p. 3; ◆ Authority, p. 4; ◆ Methodology, Table 1 pp. 5-6 and narrative pp. 5-7. <p>Ch 10: Appendix C - Meeting Documents (Agendas, attendance sheets, meeting summaries).</p>	X	
A2. Does the Plan document an opportunity for neighboring communities, local and regional agencies involved in hazard mitigation activities, agencies that have the authority to regulate development as well as other interests to be involved in the planning process? (Requirement §201.6(b)(2))	<p>Ch 1: Planning Process, pp. 1-8.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Plan Process Acknowledgements, p. 3; ◆ Authority, p. 4; ◆ Methodology (Public Outreach Strategy sidebar) p. 7. <p>Ch 10: Appendix C - Meeting Documents (Publicity notices, newspaper press releases, email notifications to Town residents, surrounding communities, businesses, and Town Departments, attendance sheets, Town website and calendar posts).</p>	X	
A3. Does the Plan document how the public was involved in the planning process during the drafting stage? (Requirement §201.6(b)(1))	<p>Ch 1: Planning Process, pp. 1-8.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Plan Process Acknowledgements, p. 3 [Public were members of HMC]; ◆ Methodology, paragraphs 1-3, page 6, narrative pp. 6-7; <p>Ch 10: Appendix C - Meeting Documents (Agendas, attendance sheets, publicity notices, Public Information Meeting Agenda and minutes).</p>	X	
A4. Does the Plan describe the review and incorporation of existing plans, studies, reports, and technical information? (Requirement §201.6(b)(3))	<p>Ch 6: Capability Assessment, pp. 190-222.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Town Capabilities, narrative and Tables pp. 191-220; ◆ Review of Existing Plans (Table of additional plans and resources utilized by Town for haz mit and support activities), pp. 221-222. 	X	
A5. Is there discussion of how the community will continue public participation in the plan maintenance process? (Requirement §201.6(c)(4)(iii))	<p>Ch 9: Annual Implementation and Evaluation, pp. 261-269.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Annual Monitoring and Update of the Mitigation Action Plan pp. 261-264; ◆ Continued Public Involvement, p. 268. 	X	

<p>A6. Is there a description of the method and schedule for keeping the plan current (monitoring, evaluating and updating the mitigation plan within a 5-year cycle)? (Requirement §201.6(c)(4)(i))</p>	<p>Ch 9: Annual Implementation and Evaluation, pp. 261-269. ♦ Annual Monitoring and Update of the Mitigation Action Plan pp. 261-264; ♦ HMC Future Meeting Activities Table pp. 262-263, <u>task listing</u> p. 263; ♦ Implementation and Evaluation of the Plan, p. 269.</p> <p>Ch 10: Appendix B- Annual Interim Plan Evaluation and Implementation Worksheets.</p>	<p>X</p>	
<p>ELEMENT A: REQUIRED REVISIONS</p>			
<p>B. REGULATION CHECKLIST Regulation (44 CFR 201.6 Local Mitigation Plans)</p>	<p>Location in Plan (section and/or page number)</p>	<p>Met</p>	<p>Not Met</p>
<p>ELEMENT B. HAZARD IDENTIFICATION AND RISK ASSESSMENT</p>			
<p>B1. Does the Plan include a description of the type, location, and extent of all natural hazards that can affect each jurisdiction(s)? (Requirement §201.6(c)(2)(i))</p>	<p>Ch 4: Hazard Risk Assessment, pp. 25-156. ♦ Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment Table (listing of <u>potential, susceptible (existing/current) hazard locations or areas by natural hazard type</u>) pp. 29-37. Technological and human hazards included, pp. 38-45; ♦ Description and Magnitude of Hazards section narrative by evaluated hazard types (<u>hazards description, magnitude/ extent measurement scales displayed</u> where possible, <u>ratings from Warner’s HIRA</u> for each hazard) pp. 80-117. Technological and human hazards included, pp. 118-127; ♦ Inland Flooding section (<u>floodplains description, and river gage, waterbodies, and road washouts identification</u>), pp. 137-143;</p> <p>Ch 11: Maps, Map 2 (Potential Hazard types & locations), Map 4 (Critical and Community sites in <u>Potential Hazard</u> locations), Map 5 (<u>Stream Crossings Ratings</u>).</p>	<p>X</p>	

<p>B2. Does the Plan include information on previous occurrences of hazard events and on the probability of future hazard events for each jurisdiction? (Requirement §201.6(c)(2)(i))</p>	<p>Ch 4: Hazard Risk Assessment, pp. 25-156.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment Overall Risk Assessment Scores Table, p. 28. <u>HIRA Table</u>, <u>future probability</u>, <u>severity of impact</u> and <u>overall risk</u> to Town), pp. 29-37. Technological and human hazards included but not rated, pp. 38-45; ◆ Central NH Region Major Disaster Declarations & Table (1973-2019 <u>Hillsborough & Merrimack County disaster declarations</u> history), pp. 46-48; ◆ Past Disasters and Severe Weather Events Table (history of <u>past Town disaster or event description by latest date</u>, <u>FEMA funding</u>, <u>area event description</u>), pp. 49-79; ◆ Potential Future Hazards Table (listing of <u>potential future natural hazard event locations or areas</u> and <u>possible impacts with ratings</u> from Warner’s HIRA for each hazard) and <u>magnitude/ extent measurement scales</u> pp. 128-133. Technological and human hazards included pp. 133-137; ◆ Local Climate Changes and Extreme Weather section narrative and figures (past NH \$ damages and <u>Central NH region temp changes</u>, <u>precipitation changes</u>, <u>snowfall changes</u>), narrative of <u>how climate change could affect community</u> in the future, pp. 144-154. <p>Ch 10: Appendix A- Critical and Community Facilities Vulnerability Assessment Tables (see <u>Primary Hazard Vulnerabilities</u> column for hazards affecting specific sites).</p> <p>Ch 11: Maps, Map 1 (<u>Past Hazard types & locations</u>), Map 3 (Critical and Community Facility <u>sites</u>).</p>	<p>X</p>	
<p>B3. Is there a description of each identified hazard’s impact on the community as well as an overall summary of the community’s vulnerability for each jurisdiction? (Requirement §201.6(c)(2)(ii))</p>	<p>Ch 4: Hazard Risk Assessment, pp. 25-156.</p> <p>See Sections B1. & B2. for details and page numbers.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Warner’s Hazard Vulnerability Change Since the 2014 Plan, <u>Statements of Vulnerability Change</u>, paragraph 3 (<u>natural</u> hazards) and paragraph 4 (<u>tech and human</u> hazards), p. 155. <u>Future development</u> as affected by hazards narrative, p. 156. <p>Ch 5: Community Vulnerability Assessment and Loss Estimation, pp. 157-189.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Critical Facilities (<u>potential economic losses of specific</u> buildings), pp. 158-159 and Culvert Upgrades, pp. 162-163, Stream Crossing Assessment Vulnerability Table and Figures pp. 164-170, and One-Egress Roads Table (vulnerability), pp. 170-171. ◆ Community Facilities (<u>potential economic losses of specific</u> buildings), pp. 172-173; ◆ Potential Losses from Natural Disasters (<u>potential flood economic losses</u> and <u>natural hazard economic losses</u> for %s of building-only valuation), pp. 176-183. <p>Ch 10: Appendix A- Critical and Community Facilities Vulnerability Assessment Tables (see <u>Structure Replacement Value</u> column of each Facility table for potential economic loss of individual Facility structures).</p>	<p>X</p>	

B4. Does the Plan address NFIP insured structures within the jurisdiction that have been repetitively damaged by floods? (Requirement §201.6(c)(2)(ii))	Ch 5: Community Vulnerability Assessment and Loss Estimation, pp. 157-189. ♦ National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) , Tables and narrative pp. 184-189. ♦ Number of Repetitive Loss Properties Table, p. 186.	X	
ELEMENT B: REQUIRED REVISIONS			
C. REGULATION CHECKLIST Regulation (44 CFR 201.6 Local Mitigation Plans)	Location in Plan (section and/or page number)	Met	Not Met
ELEMENT C. MITIGATION STRATEGY			
C1. Does the plan document each jurisdiction’s existing authorities, policies, programs and resources and its ability to expand on and improve these existing policies and programs? (Requirement §201.6(c)(3))	Ch 6: Capability Assessment, pp. 190-222. ♦ Town Capabilities tables, Planning & Regulatory, Administrative & Technical, Financial Resources, Education & Outreach- (Town and School <u>plans</u> , permitting, inspections, codes, <u>ordinances</u> and <u>regulations</u> , <u>policies</u> , <u>resources</u> , mutual aid, <u>training</u> , drills, security, assets, <u>funding</u> , <u>educational</u> programs), pp. 191-220. (See also Checklist Section A4.)	X	
C2. Does the Plan address each jurisdiction’s participation in the NFIP and continued compliance with NFIP requirements, as appropriate? (Requirement §201.6(c)(3)(ii))	Ch 5: Community Vulnerability Assessment and Loss Estimation, pp. 157-189. ♦ National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) , Tables and narrative on NFIP <u>history</u> , <u>policy</u> and <u>loss</u> statistics, <u>repetitive losses</u> , <u>ordinance changes</u> , etc., pp. 184-189.	X	
C3. Does the Plan include goals to reduce/avoid long-term vulnerabilities to the identified hazards? (Requirement §201.6(c)(3)(i))	Ch 3: Goals and Objectives, pp. 18-24. ♦ Overall Plan Goals and General Hazard Mitigation Objectives (for each <u>HIRA hazard category</u>) figures, pp. 20-24.	X	

<p>C4. Does the Plan identify and analyze a comprehensive range of specific mitigation actions and projects for each jurisdiction being considered to reduce the effects of hazards, with emphasis on new and existing buildings and infrastructure? (Requirement §201.6(c)(3)(ii))</p>	<p>Ch 5: Community Vulnerability Assessment and Loss Estimation, pp. 157-189.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◊ Critical Facilities (Facilities listing, valuation and Problem Statements), pp. 158-161; ◊ Community Facilities (Facilities listing, valuation and Problem Statements), pp. 172-175. <p>Ch 7: Prior Action Status, pp. 223-233.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◊ Action Status Determination, <u>Completed, Deleted, Deferred categories</u> of Actions, <u>definitions</u> to reduce preparedness or response actions, <u>hazard categories</u> explained, pp. 225-224. ◊ Review of 2014 Actions, <u>Completed</u> and <u>Deleted Actions</u> Tables, pp. 225-230. ◊ Deferred Actions from 2014, Table, pp. 231-233; <p>Ch 8: Mitigation Action Plan, pp. 234-260.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◊ Sources of Actions, narrative, <u>mitigation actions apply to new and existing buildings and infrastructure, and development</u>, p. 234; ◊ Warner’s Mitigation Action Plan 2019 Tables, (appropriate <u>Problem Statements into Actions</u>, <u>2014 deferred actions</u> and new <u>2019 Committee Actions described and evaluated</u>, with <u>hazard type and locations</u>), pp. 236-253. ◊ Natural Hazards Evaluated for Which Specific Actions Were Not Identified, narrative and Table of <u>hazards without specific actions</u>, p. 260. <p>Ch 10: Appendices A - Critical and Community Facility Vulnerability Assessment (<u>Future Development table</u>).</p>	<p>X</p>	
<p>C5. Does the Plan contain an action plan that describes how the actions identified will be prioritized (including cost benefit review), implemented, and administered by each jurisdiction? (Requirement §201.6(c)(3)(iv)); (Requirement §201.6(c)(3)(iii))</p>	<p>Ch 8: Mitigation Action Plan, pp. 234-260.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◊ Warner’s Mitigation Action Plan 2019 Tables (<u>descriptions</u> of MAP contents, Action <u>responsibility, prioritization, timeframes, funding</u>), pp. 235-253; ◊ Action Evaluation and Prioritization Methods, <u>New Enhanced STAPLEE Ranking scale (15-75 instead of 12-36)</u>, includes <u>Cost to Benefit Analysis</u>, pp. 255-258; ◊ Action Evaluation and Prioritization Methods, Action Timeframes graphic and narrative, p. 259. 	<p>X</p>	
<p>C6. Does the Plan describe a process by which local governments will integrate the requirements of the mitigation plan into other planning mechanisms, such as comprehensive or capital improvement plans, when appropriate? (Requirement §201.6(c)(4)(ii))</p>	<p>Ch 9: Annual Implementation and Evaluation, pp. 261-269.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◊ Implementing the Plan Through Existing Programs, <u>Process for Haz Mit Committee to approach Town Boards to incorporate hazard mitigation Actions</u> into Master Plan, Zoning Ordinance, Capital Improvements Program, and into the Town Operating Budget and Town Meeting for funding and project readiness, pp. 265-267. 	<p>X</p>	
<p><u>ELEMENT C: REQUIRED REVISIONS</u></p>			

D. REGULATION CHECKLIST Regulation (44 CFR 201.6 Local Mitigation Plans)	Location in Plan (section and/or page number)	Met	Not Met
ELEMENT D. PLAN REVIEW, EVALUATION, AND IMPLEMENTATION (applicable to plan updates only)			
D1. Was the plan revised to reflect changes in development? (Requirement §201.6(d)(3))	<p>Ch 2: Community Profile, pp. 9-17. ♦ Population and Housing Growth, tables and narrative pp. 12-14.</p> <p>Ch 4: Hazard Risk Assessment, pp. 25-156. ♦ Warner’s Hazard Vulnerability Change Since the 2014 Plan, <u>Statements of Vulnerability Change</u>, paragraph 3 (<u>natural</u> hazards) and paragraph 4 (<u>tech and human</u> hazards), p. 155. <u>Future development</u> as affected by hazards narrative, p. 156. (See also Checklist Section B3).</p> <p>Ch 10: Appendix A- Critical and Community Facility Vulnerability Assessment, <u>Future Development</u> Table of possible locations of new development and natural hazards.</p>	X	
D2. Was the plan revised to reflect progress in local mitigation efforts? (Requirement §201.6(d)(3))	<p>Ch 7: Prior Action Status, pp. 223-233. ♦ Action Status Determination (narrative), pp. 223-224; ♦ Review of 2014 Actions, Tables (<u>completed</u>, <u>deleted</u>, <u>deferred</u> Actions), pp. 225-233.</p> <p>Ch 8: Mitigation Action Plan, pp. 234-260. ♦ Warner’s Mitigation Action Plan 2019 Tables, integrated <u>2014 deferred actions</u> with new descriptions & evaluations, cost, timeframe, funding, etc. pp. 237-253.</p>	X	
D3. Was the plan revised to reflect changes in priorities? (Requirement §201.6(d)(3))	<p>Ch 7: Prior Action Status, pp. 223-233. ♦ Deleted Actions Table, with reasons, pp. 228-230; ♦ Deferred Mitigation Actions Table, <u>Priority Score from 2014</u> column (12-36), with reasons, pp. 231-233.</p> <p>Ch 8: Mitigation Action Plan, pp. 234-260. ♦ Warner’s Mitigation Action Plan 2019 Tables, <u>updated Ranking Score</u> column (<u>15-75</u>) for <u>Deferred Actions</u> pp. 237-253 ♦ Action Evaluation and Prioritization Methods, <u>New Enhanced STAPLEE Ranking scale</u> (<u>15-75</u> instead of 12-36), pp. 255-258;</p>	X	
ELEMENT D: REQUIRED REVISIONS:			
E. REGULATION CHECKLIST Regulation (44 CFR 201.6 Local Mitigation Plans)	Location in Plan (section and/or page number)	Met	Not Met
ELEMENT E. PLAN ADOPTION			
E1. Does the Plan include documentation that the plan has been formally adopted by the governing body of the jurisdiction requesting approval? (Requirement §201.6(c)(5))	<p>Ch 1: Planning Process, pp. 1-8. ♦ Certificate of Adoption 2019, <u>awaiting APA before Board of Selectmen adoption</u>, pp. 1-2.</p>	X	

E2. For multi-jurisdictional plans, has each jurisdiction requesting approval of the plan documented formal plan adoption? (Requirement §201.6(c)(5))	N/A		
ELEMENT E: REQUIRED REVISIONS			
ELEMENT F. ADDITIONAL STATE REQUIREMENTS (OPTIONAL FOR STATE REVIEWERS ONLY; NOT TO BE COMPLETED BY FEMA)			
ELEMENT F: REQUIRED REVISIONS			

SECTION 2: PLAN ASSESSMENT

INSTRUCTIONS: The purpose of the Plan Assessment is to offer the local community more comprehensive feedback to the community on the quality and utility of the plan in a narrative format. The audience for the Plan Assessment is not only the plan developer/local community planner, but also elected officials, local departments and agencies, and others involved in implementing the Local Mitigation Plan. The Plan Assessment must be completed by FEMA. The Assessment is an opportunity for FEMA to provide feedback and information to the community on: 1) suggested improvements to the Plan; 2) specific sections in the Plan where the community has gone above and beyond minimum requirements; 3) recommendations for plan implementation; and 4) ongoing partnership(s) and information on other FEMA programs, specifically RiskMAP and Hazard Mitigation Assistance programs. The Plan Assessment is divided into two sections:

1. Plan Strengths and Opportunities for Improvement
2. Resources for Implementing Your Approved Plan

Plan Strengths and Opportunities for Improvement is organized according to the plan Elements listed in the Regulation Checklist. Each Element includes a series of italicized bulleted items that are suggested topics for consideration while evaluating plans, but it is not intended to be a comprehensive list. FEMA Mitigation Planners are not required to answer each bullet item, and should use them as a guide to paraphrase their own written assessment (2-3 sentences) of each Element.

The Plan Assessment must not reiterate the required revisions from the Regulation Checklist or be regulatory in nature, and should be open-ended and to provide the community with suggestions for improvements or recommended revisions. The recommended revisions are suggestions for improvement and are not required to be made for the Plan to meet Federal regulatory requirements. The italicized text should be deleted once FEMA has added comments regarding strengths of the plan and potential improvements for future plan revisions. It is recommended that the Plan Assessment be a short synopsis of the overall strengths and weaknesses of the Plan (no longer than two pages), rather than a complete recap section by section.

Resources for Implementing Your Approved Plan provides a place for FEMA to offer information, data sources and general suggestions on the overall plan implementation and maintenance process. Information on other possible sources of assistance including, but not limited to, existing publications, grant funding or training opportunities, can be provided. States may add state and local resources, if available.

A. Plan Strengths and Opportunities for Improvement

This section provides a discussion of the strengths of the plan document and identifies areas where these could be improved beyond minimum requirements.

Element A: Planning Process

How does the Plan go above and beyond minimum requirements to document the planning process with respect to:

- Wonderful to see sources and references for this mitigation plan such as on page 167: Warner River Watershed Assessment: The Status of Stream Crossings in the Warner River Watershed, Revised February 2019. Sources like these help enhance this plan and make it more relevant to other planning mechanisms.
- Great representation and participation on the Hazard Mitigation Committee from private, public, and community individuals. This provides a much more well-rounded view of how hazards impact the community and how to mitigate them. Great job in public outreach and getting the participation that you did for this plan.
- Excellent narrative section on the NFIP program for Warner. This really can bring what the NFIP is to life for those reading the plan who might not be familiar with it and how Warner is achieving success.

Element B: Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment

In addition to the requirements listed in the Regulation Checklist, 44 CFR 201.6 Local Mitigation Plans identifies additional elements that should be included as part of a plan's risk assessment. The plan should describe vulnerability in terms of:

- Excellent photos and explanations on the cover of recent damage from natural hazards to Warner. Sets the tone for the natural hazards that effect Warner.
- Excellent information captured in the Potential/Susceptible (Existing) Hazard Locations in the Town section starting on page 29. This really shows how hazards impact the community specifically, making it a custom plan that shows the community is aware of their vulnerabilities and provides a better ability to address each hazard in more effective ways, specific to the community of Warner.

Suggest:

- Just a suggestion, while the State now considers Dam Failure under Technological Hazards, and it is not required to be considered for this hazard mitigation plan based on FEMA standards, this Warner hazard mitigation plan seems to check off all of the FEMA required "boxes" they require for identified natural hazards, with the only exception of probability. Just for consistency, it might be nice to see a probability statement somewhere (maybe the HIRA on page 39) for the hazard of Dam Failure to match the others, as it is so close and might seem strange to see dam failure is the only one missing a probability. This is not needed for FEMA requirements at all, just a suggestion.

Element C: Mitigation Strategy

How does the Plan go above and beyond minimum requirements to document the Mitigation Strategy with respect to:

- Always great to see a long list of quality mitigation actions to show the community is looking to be, and is, very involved in mitigating their hazards. Helps allow each natural hazard to have a more specific action to address its impacts/potential impacts.
- I think it is helpful how this plan shows if a particular mitigation action was deferred from a previous plan and what year it came from in the current mitigation action table. This can be an additional tool to help show actions that have struggled to be completed over the years.
- Good diversity of actions that include structural projects, preventative measures, outreach activities, property protection measures, etc.)

Element D: Plan Update, Evaluation, and Implementation (Plan Updates Only)

How does the Plan go above and beyond minimum requirements to document the 5-year Evaluation and Implementation measures with respect to:

- Good job capturing and displaying the status of previously recommended mitigation actions and the corresponding explanations as to why they are at that status to date. Very helpful in showing the progress the community has and common pitfall areas.
- Excellent documentation of annual reviews and committee involvement going forward on page 261-262. This can help in the following years and future update in setting deadlines and structure for how to monitor, evaluate, and update this plan.

B. Resources for Implementing Your Approved Plan

State Sources of Technical Assistance & Funding:

The New Hampshire State Hazard Mitigation Officer (SHMO) and State Mitigation Planner can provide guidance regarding grants, technical assistance, available publications, and training opportunities. Contact the New Hampshire **Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management** (NH HSEM) for further assistance. View agency website for contact information at <https://www.nh.gov/safety/divisions/hsem/index.html>. Refer to the New Hampshire State Hazard Mitigation Plan (page 185) which identifies a number of potential funding sources for various mitigation activities at <https://www.nh.gov/safety/divisions/hsem/HazardMitigation/planning.html>. Communities are encouraged to work with the State to maximize use of every 406 Hazard Mitigation opportunity when available during federally declared disasters. A better alignment and increasing the effectiveness of 406 and 404 Mitigation funds, greatly benefit the community in the long run.

Federal and Non-Profit Sources of Technical Assistance & Funding:

[Federal Grants Resource Center](#) and [Grants.gov](#)

Federal agencies may support integrated planning efforts such as rural development, sustainable communities and smart growth, climate change and adaptation, historic preservation, risk analyses, wildfire mitigation, conservation, Federal Highways pilot projects, etc. The Federal Grants Resource Center is located on the website of the national non-profit Reconnecting America, and provides a compilation of key funding sources for projects in your community. Examples are HUD, DOT/FHWA, EPA, and Sustainable Communities grant programs. For more information visit:

<http://reconnectingamerica.org/resource-center/federal-grant-opportunities/> or www.grants.gov.

GrantWatch.com

The website posts current foundation, local, state, and federal grants on one website. When seeking funding opportunities for mitigation, consider a variety of sources for grants, guidance, and partnerships, including academic institutions, non-profits, community organizations, and businesses, in addition to governmental agencies. Examples are The Partnership for Resilient Communities, the Institute for Sustainable Communities, the Rockefeller Foundation *Resilience*, The Nature Conservancy, The Kresge Climate-Resilient Initiative, the Threshold Foundation's *Thriving Resilient Communities* funding, the RAND Corporation, and ICLEI *Local Governments for Sustainability*.

<http://www.grantwatch.com>

FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance

FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Assistance provides funding for projects under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP), Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM), and Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA). Individuals and businesses are not eligible to apply for HMA funds; however, an eligible applicant or subapplicant may apply on their behalf.

<http://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-assistance>

Recommended FEMA Publications & Websites:

Hazard Mitigation Planning Online Webliography, FEMA Region I

This compilation of government and private online sites is a useful source of information for developing and implementing hazard mitigation programs and plans in New England.

<http://www.fema.gov/about-region-i/about-region-i/hazard-mitigation-planning-webliography>

FEMA Library

FEMA publications can be downloaded for free from its Library website. This repository contains a wealth of information that can be especially useful in public information and outreach programs. Search by keyword to find documents related to a particular topic. Examples include building and construction techniques, the NFIP, integrating historic preservation and cultural resource protection with mitigation, and helpful fact sheets.

<http://www.fema.gov/library>

FEMA RiskMAP

Technical assistance is available through RiskMAP to assist communities in identifying, selecting, and implementing activities to support mitigation planning and risk reduction. Attend any RiskMAP discovery meetings that may be scheduled in the state (or neighboring communities with shared watersheds boundaries) in the future.

<https://www.fema.gov/risk-mapping-assessment-and-planning-risk-map>

FEMA Climate Change Website

Provides resources that address climate change.

<http://www.fema.gov/climate-change>

Other Recommended Publications & Websites:

U.S. Climate Resilience Toolkit

Scientific tools, information, and expertise are provided to help manage climate-related risks and improve resilience to extreme events. This aid assists planning through links to a wide-variety of web-tools covering topics, including coastal flood risk, ecosystem vulnerability, and water resources. Experts can be located in the NOAA, USDA, and Department of Interior.

<https://toolkit.climate.gov>

EPA's Resilience and Adaptation in New England (RAINE) Climate Change Program

A collection of vulnerability, resilience and adaptation reports, plans, and webpages at the state, regional, and community levels. Communities can use the RAINE database to learn from nearby communities about building resiliency and adapting to climate change.

<http://www.epa.gov/raine>

USDA Rural Community Development Grant Programs

USDA operates over fifty financial assistance programs for a variety of rural applications.

<http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services>

