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PUBLIC MEETING TO INFORM RESIDENTS ABOUT POTENTIAL DISASTERS THAT COULD IMPACT THE COUNTY

Portage County to Update All Hazard Mitigation Plan

PORTAGE COUNTY, WISCONSIN – Portage County Emergency Management Division will be hosting a public information and planning session to gather input from Portage County residents regarding potential emergencies and disasters that could impact the County. This session is a crucial step in updating Portage County's All-Hazard Mitigation Plan. The public meeting will be held on the following date and location:

- Tuesday, May 14, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Portage County Annex Building, (1462 Strongs Avenue, Stevens Point, WI 54481) in Conference Rooms One and Two

The meeting will provide the public an opportunity to review the potential hazards that could occur within the County and will request input for the various mitigation measures intended to eliminate or reduce the negative impact of those hazards.

The U.S. Federal government requires local and state governments to have a FEMA-Approved Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan as established by the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 in order to qualify for Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) and Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) project grant dollars. These programs are critical sources of Federal funding, especially for a community that wants to proactively initiate mitigation projects using PDM dollars, or for a community that needs HMGP funding following a presidentially declared disaster.

For more information about this plan and meeting, please contact Portage County Emergency Management Coordinator, weinertr@co.portage.wi.us or call 715-346-1437 .

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