



# RESILIENT COUNTY OPERATIONS

## ACTION

RCO-2

**Assess existing County operations emergency management plans for increased hazards associated with climate change.**



### DESCRIPTION OF ACTION

Emergency management plans that address hazards related to climate change can position Clark County to be proactive in addressing such hazards and have a suite of well-planned responses and trained employees ready for implementation when needed. By assessing existing plans, such as Clark County’s 2018 hazard mitigation plan and 2019 basic emergency response plan, Clark County can identify additional gaps and opportunities to further strengthen its emergency management planning and increase its resilience to potential hazards associated with changing climate conditions.

### LEAD DEPARTMENT

Office of Emergency Management

### OVERALL TIMEFRAME

Short

**SHORT** = Less than 1 year  
**MEDIUM** = 1 - 3 years  
**LONG** = 3 years or more

Planning Considerations

IMPLEMENTATION STEPS	TIMEFRAME	KEY PARTNERS
<p><b>1</b> Assemble an Emergency Management Review Task Force that brings together climate vulnerability and emergency management expertise.</p>	<p><b>SHORT</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Police</li> <li>Fire</li> <li>Public Works</li> <li>Risk Management</li> <li>Real Property Management</li> <li>Environment &amp; Sustainability</li> <li>Comprehensive Planning Department</li> <li>Building &amp; Fire Prevention</li> <li>Geographic Info Systems</li> <li>Nevada Resilience Advisory Committee</li> <li>Nevada Department of Transportation Consultant</li> </ul>
<p><b>2</b> Using existing County plans and the forthcoming climate vulnerability assessment (see action RCO-1), work with the Emergency Management Review Task Force to identify gaps and opportunities in the County’s emergency management procedures.</p>	<p><b>SHORT</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Emergency Management Review Task Force</li> <li>Consultant</li> </ul>
<p><b>3</b> Based on the review, make updates to emergency management plans to incorporate projected climate risks.</p>	<p><b>SHORT</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Emergency Management Review Task Force</li> <li>Consultant</li> </ul>
<p><b>4</b> Host trainings for County employees and service providers on implementation of the updated emergency management plans.</p>	<p><b>SHORT</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fire</li> <li>Public Works</li> <li>Administrative Services</li> <li>Utility providers</li> </ul>

## FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL RESOURCES

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### TECHNICAL

- [Hazard Mitigation Plan \(2018\), Clark County](#)
- [Emergency Operations Plan \(2019\), Clark County](#)
- Clark County’s forthcoming climate vulnerability assessment (Outcome of RCO-1)

## CONSIDERATIONS FOR COLLABORATION/ OVERCOMING BARRIERS

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- Offer a high-level overview of the climate vulnerability assessment to ensure a baseline understanding of the relevant climate impacts for all involved in the process.
- Consider projected impacts, in addition to current impacts.
- Lean on existing State and County reports to glean local climate impacts and projections.
- Share relevant resources and best practices with businesses and other organizations to promote strong community-wide emergency management.

## MEASURING SUCCESS

### OUTPUTS\*

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- Emergency management plans/ documents updated with climate risks
- Training materials for County employees

### OUTCOMES\*

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- Decrease in the number of County assets vulnerable to climate risks
- Increase in the dollar value of resilience investments (compared to the dollar value of property loss)
- Decrease in the number of human casualties and injuries resulting from climate change related disasters (e.g., extreme weather/rain and heat events, prolonged drought)
- Increase in the number of County employees trained on the updated plans

\*An **output** describes what has been created through implementation of the action.  
 An **outcome** is the level of performance or achievement that occurred based on what was created.