

Mercer County, PA

Risk-assessment baseline packet

County FIPS: 42085 Release: 2026-10 Data as of: 2026-09-30 Storm Events data through: 2026-06-30

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Summary

Plan status as of 2026-09-30: No county-level plan row in FEMA data.

Highest expected annual loss (FEMA National Risk Index, modeled total; see B1-a): Inland Flooding (\$29,059,608 a year), Tornado (\$1,338,717) and Strong Wind (\$980,505).

The tables that follow are organized by the items of FEMA's Local Mitigation Plan Review Tool, Element B (B1-a to B2-c); each heading says which item its tables support.

TERMS USED

EAL: expected annual loss: FEMA's modeled average yearly loss from a hazard.

NRI: FEMA's National Risk Index (version 1.20, December 2025).

NFIP: National Flood Insurance Program.

RL, SRL: repetitive loss and severe repetitive loss: flood-insured properties with repeated claims (definitions in B2-c).

FMA, HMGP: Flood Mitigation Assistance and Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, FEMA mitigation grants.

PA: FEMA Public Assistance: disaster aid to governments and some nonprofits.

Zone-level: NOAA logged the event for a National Weather Service forecast zone, which may include parts of neighboring counties.

County-coded: NOAA logged the event to this county.

FIPS: the federal code for a place; 42085 is this area.

D0 to D4: U.S. Drought Monitor categories, from abnormally dry (D0) to exceptional drought (D4).

F/EF, EFU: Fujita and Enhanced Fujita tornado ratings; EFU is an unrated tornado.

kt, CONUS: knots (1 kt is about 1.15 mph); the contiguous United States.

CFR: Code of Federal Regulations.

A4-a, E1-a: other items of FEMA's Local Mitigation Plan Review Tool (sources, and changes since the last plan).

Dollars: nominal (as reported, labeled with the year), not adjusted for inflation.

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Plan clock

No county-level plan row in FEMA data

What changed since your last plan

Not available. No county-level plan row in FEMA data, so there is no approval date to count from.

Sources: 1, 2, 4, 6 (numbered list at the end)

Plan status for every jurisdiction listed in this county: 48 rows, in the section "Plan clock: Plan status for every jurisdiction listed in this county" on the following pages.

State plan status and tribal plans in this state: see the state page.

Plan clock

Plan status for every jurisdiction listed in this county

Source: 1

Jurisdiction	Type	Status	Plan	Approved	Expires	Days to expiry <i>negative = days since expiry</i>	Update underway	Notes
Clark borough	Organized Borough	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-04
Farrell city	City	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-03-27
Fredonia borough	Organized Borough	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-10
Greenville borough	Organized Borough	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-10
Grove City borough	Organized Borough	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	
Hermitage city	City	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-11
Jackson Center borough	Organized Borough	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-06
Jamestown borough	Organized Borough	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-11
Mercer borough	Organized Borough	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-11
New Lebanon borough	Organized Borough	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-03-28
Sandy Lake borough	Organized Borough	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-05
Sharon city	City	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-05
Sharpsville borough	Organized Borough	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-12
Sheakleyville borough	Organized Borough	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-05-18

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Stoneboro borough	Organized Borough	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-06-06
West Middlesex borough	Organized Borough	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-12
Wheatland borough	Organized Borough	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-05-09
Coolspring township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-03
Deer Creek township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-08
Delaware township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-05
East Lackawannock township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-10
Fairview township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-03
Findley township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-05
French Creek township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-10
Greene township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-03
Hempfield township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-04
Jackson township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-05
Jefferson township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-10
Lackawannock township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-10

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Lake township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-12
Liberty township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-13
Mill Creek township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-03
New Vernon township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-06-12
Otter Creek township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-16
Perry township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-05
Pine township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-03
Pymatuning township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-13
Salem township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-03
Sandy Creek township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-03
Sandy Lake township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-05
Shenango township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-20
South Pymatuning township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-12
Springfield township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-04
Sugar Grove township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-03

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West Salem township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-11
Wilmington township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-12
Wolf Creek township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-10
Worth township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan (FEMA plan 108946)	2023-03-20	2028-03-19	536	FEMA tracker shows a plan in progress	this jurisdiction approved 2023-04-12

Supports FEMA checklist item B1-a: hazard identification

Hazards NRI does not cover (local data needed)

- dam failure (incl. upstream dams)
- levee failure
- flash flood as its own subtype
- ice jams
- debris flows
- erosion (riverine and coastal)
- land subsidence and sinkholes
- expansive soils

The 18 National Risk Index hazards, ranked by expected annual loss (EAL)

Sources: 5, 6

Rank by EAL	Hazard	NRI risk rating	EAL rating	EAL buildings <i>modeled dollars per year</i>	EAL agriculture <i>modeled dollars per year</i>	Cost of expected deaths and injuries <i>FEMA's dollar value per year, not property damage</i>	EAL total (see note) <i>modeled dollars per year</i>	Storm Events records, 1996 to 2026-06-30 <i>count</i>	Storm Events coverage note
1	Inland Flooding	Relatively Moderate	Relatively Moderate	\$29,006,613	\$24,355	\$28,640	\$29,059,608	105	
2	Tornado	Relatively Low	Relatively Low	\$980,065	\$2,310	\$356,343	\$1,338,717	12	
3	Strong Wind	Relatively Moderate	Relatively Moderate	\$522,702	\$2,699	\$455,104	\$980,505	493	Includes 22 High Wind and 2 Strong Wind records (NOAA non-thunderstorm wind types, outside NRI's Strong Wind definition).
4	Lightning	Relatively High	Relatively High	\$9,514	n/a	\$916,982	\$926,496	0	No recorded events in Storm Events since 1996 (data through 2026-06-30).

Rank by EAL	Hazard	NRI risk rating	EAL rating	EAL buildings <i>modeled dollars per year</i>	EAL agriculture <i>modeled dollars per year</i>	Cost of expected deaths and injuries <i>FEMA's dollar value per year, not property damage</i>	EAL total (see note) <i>modeled dollars per year</i>	Storm Events records, 1996 to 2026-06-30 <i>count</i>	Storm Events coverage note
5	Hail	Relatively Moderate	Relatively Low	\$573,680	\$45,249	\$28,322	\$647,250	149	
6	Hurricane	Relatively Low	Relatively Low	\$271,438	\$25,714	\$9,317	\$306,469	0	Declared 2 times; no Storm Events record of this type.
7	Earthquake	Very Low	Very Low	\$210,210	n/a	\$58,336	\$268,546		Storm Events does not record earthquakes.
8	Cold Wave	Very Low	Relatively Low	\$1,219	\$18,244	\$235,637	\$255,100	9	
9	Winter Weather	Relatively Moderate	Relatively Moderate	\$136,943	\$43	\$31,086	\$168,072	93	
10	Heat Wave	Very Low	Very Low	\$6	\$2,044	\$108,353	\$110,403	0	No recorded events in Storm Events since 1996 (data through 2026-06-30).
11	Ice Storm	Relatively Low	Relatively Low	\$23,751	n/a	\$29,558	\$53,309	10	
12	Wildfire	Very Low	Very Low	\$16,481	\$11	\$2,197	\$18,688	0	No recorded events in Storm Events since 1996 (data through 2026-06-30).
13	Landslide	Very Low	Very Low	\$241	n/a	\$496	\$737	0	No recorded events in Storm Events since 1996 (data through 2026-06-30).
14	Drought	No Rating	No Expected Annual Losses	n/a	\$0	n/a	\$0	2	

Total = buildings + agriculture + population equivalence; FEMA values each expected death (or 10 injuries) at \$13.7 million (2024 dollars).

NRI risk rating combines expected annual loss with social vulnerability and community resilience; EAL rating rates expected annual loss alone. Both compare this county with all U.S. counties.

Local data needed: state and local lightning, wildfire and landslide records (Storm Events records these hazards only in part).

Not applicable to this county per NRI, with no federal declaration and no Storm Events record since 1996: avalanche, coastal flooding, tsunami and volcanic activity. That is the evidence for leaving them out of the plan.

The state hazard mitigation plan also lists hazards for this county; FEMA asks the plan to explain any hazard it leaves out.

Supports FEMA checklist item B1-b: hazard location

Affects the whole county (national data give no location within it): Cold Wave, Drought, Hail, Heat Wave, Ice Storm, Lightning, Strong Wind and Winter Weather.

Inland Flooding: The FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) is the required location source for flooding. See the FEMA Flood Map Service Center (<https://msc.fema.gov>) for this county.

Hazards that vary within the county: highest-rated census tracts

Source: 5

Hazard	Highest-rated census tracts <i>NRI risk rating, score 0 to 100</i>
Earthquake	tract 331 (Relatively Low, 41.7); tract 330 (Very Low, 39.7); tract 329 (Very Low, 37.6)
Hurricane	tract 318 (Relatively Low, 60.4); tract 326.01 (Relatively Low, 58.2); tract 331 (Relatively Low, 57.6)
Landslide	tract 318 (Relatively Low, 84.5); tract 326.01 (Relatively Low, 84.2); tract 331 (Relatively Low, 83.1)
Tornado	tract 326.01 (Relatively Moderate, 57.2); tract 318 (Relatively Moderate, 56.2); tract 331 (Relatively Moderate, 55.8)
Wildfire	tract 320 (Relatively Low, 75.0); tract 326.01 (Relatively Low, 71.5); tract 331 (Relatively Low, 71.1)

Up to 3 census tracts per hazard, highest National Risk Index rating first, then highest score; a tract number is the Census tract number (for example 331 is Census Tract 331). FEMA's Resilience Analysis and Planning Tool maps the National Risk Index for every tract: <https://www.fema.gov/emergency-managers/practitioners/resilience-analysis-and-planning-tool>

Supports FEMA checklist item B1-c: hazard extent

Extent: scale, observed range and worst recorded event per hazard

Sources: 6, 7

Hazard	Scale	Records <i>count and years</i>	Observed range	Worst recorded event	Most damaging (when different)	How it applies to jurisdictions	Note
Cold/Wind Chill, Extreme Cold/Wind Chill	wind chill	9 records, 2009 to 2025 (9 zone-level)	1 day to 3 days (median 2 days); 9 with a recorded value	3 consecutive days, 2025-01-20 to 2025-01-22, zone-level		Countywide (zone-level records).	
Frost/Freeze (outside NRI's Cold Wave definition)	crop damage	0					
Drought	U.S. Drought Monitor scale (D0 to D4)	2 records, 1999 (2 zone-level)	61 days; 1 with a recorded value	61 days (2 months), 1999-08-01 to 1999-09-30, a run of 2 consecutive Storm Events drought records, zone-level		Countywide (zone-level records).	Storm Events enters a drought at D2 or worse east of the Rockies and D3 or worse from the Rockies west (NWS Instruction 10-1605); NRI drought counts D3 and D4 only.
Earthquake	Modified Mercalli (local data)	0					Storm Events does not record earthquakes; the USGS earthquake catalog is the source.

Hazard	Scale	Records <i>count and years</i>	Observed range	Worst recorded event	Most damaging (when different)	How it applies to jurisdictions	Note
Hail	hail size (inches)	160 records, 1956 to 2026	0.75 in to 2.75 in (median 1 in); 160 with a recorded value	2.75 in hail, 2019-05-28	Hail, 2022-06-16, \$30,000 property; \$0 crops (2022 dollars)	Event records naming jurisdictions in the plan: Mercer borough (17 records), Grove City borough (16 records), Sandy Lake borough (11 records), Sandy Lake township (11 records), Sharon city (11 records), Greenville borough (10 records), Stoneboro borough (8 records), Farrell city (6 records), Hermitage city (5 records), Jackson Center borough (5 records); and 11 more jurisdictions (see the Excel file).	
Excessive Heat, Heat	heat index (in event narratives)	0					
Hurricane, Tropical Storm, Tropical Depression	Saffir-Simpson	0					Storm Events files every zone of a storm's episode under the storm's type; flooding from the storm is filed as Flood or Flash Flood records.
Ice Storm	Sperry-Piltz ice scale (local data)	10 records, 1997 to 2011 (10 zone-level)		Ice Storm, 2005-01-05, \$20,000 property; crops not reported (2005 dollars); NWS zone PAZ007		Countywide (zone-level records).	
Flash Flood, Flood, Lakeshore Flood	damage and flood days (flood depth: FIRM)	105 records, 1996 to 2025 (5 zone-level)		Flash Flood, 2002-08-16, \$250,000 property; crops not reported (2002 dollars)		Event records naming jurisdictions in the plan: Greenville borough (15 records), Sharon city (13 records), Mercer borough (10 records), Jamestown borough (7 records), Farrell city (4 records), Stoneboro borough (4 records), Grove City borough (3 records), Sandy Lake borough (3 records), Sandy Lake township (3 records), Sharpsville borough (3 records); and 7 more jurisdictions (see the Excel file). Zone-level records (5) apply countywide.	Flood depth: see the FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map. Storm Events damage is often \$0 or blank for floods, major ones included; FEMA Public Assistance by declaration (B1-d) shows which floods cost the most.
Debris Flow	none (count and damage only)	0					
Lightning	annualized frequency (the measure FEMA's Local Mitigation Planning Handbook names)	0					Storm Events lists lightning with damage or casualties.

Hazard	Scale	Records <i>count and years</i>	Observed range	Worst recorded event	Most damaging (when different)	How it applies to jurisdictions	Note
High Wind and Strong Wind (outside NRI's Strong Wind definition)	wind speed (kt and mph)	24 records, 1996 to 2023 (24 zone-level)	43 kt (49 mph) to 61 kt (70 mph) (median 50 kt (58 mph)); 21 with a recorded value	61 kt (70 mph) estimated, High Wind, 2000-12-12; NWS zone PAZ007	High Wind, 2008-09-14, \$1,000,000 property; \$0 crops (zone total, 2008 dollars)	Countywide (zone-level records).	
Thunderstorm Wind	wind speed (kt and mph)	523 records, 1956 to 2026	48 kt (55 mph) to 130 kt (150 mph) (median 50 kt (58 mph)); 419 with a recorded value	130 kt (150 mph), measurement type not recorded, Thunderstorm Wind, 1995-05-24	Thunderstorm Wind, 2024-10-06, \$1,000,000 property; \$0 crops (2024 dollars)	Event records naming jurisdictions in the plan: Mercer borough (43 records), Grove City borough (39 records), Greenville borough (36 records), Hermitage city (25 records), Sharon city (25 records), Farrell city (23 records), Jamestown borough (23 records), Sandy Lake borough (21 records), Sandy Lake township (21 records), Sharpsville borough (20 records); and 12 more jurisdictions (see the Excel file).	
Tornado	Enhanced Fujita (Fujita before Feb 2007)	25 records, 1954 to 2024	F/EF0 to F/EF5 (median F/EF1); 21 with a recorded value	F5 tornado, 1985-05-31, 12 mi path length (whole path, pre-1996), 450 yd wide, \$250,000 property; crops not recorded (1985 dollars), 8 direct deaths, 60 direct injuries	Tornado, 1985-05-31, \$25,000,000 property; crops not recorded (1985 dollars)	Event records naming jurisdictions in the plan: Mercer borough (4 records), New Lebanon borough (2 records), Sharon city (2 records), Farrell city (1 record), Sandy Lake borough (1 record), Sandy Lake township (1 record), Sharpsville borough (1 record), Shenango township (1 record), Stoneboro borough (1 record), Wheatland borough (1 record).	Before 1996 a tornado is listed once, under the county where it began, with its whole path's rating and length; from 1996 on, each county lists its own segment. Length is not used to rank tornadoes (see Methods).
Wildfire	acres burned (local data)	0					
Winter Storm, Heavy Snow, Blizzard, Lake-Effect Snow, Winter Weather, Sleet	none in data (snowfall: local data)	93 records, 1996 to 2026 (93 zone-level)		Heavy Snow, 2004-12-20, \$650,000 property; crops not reported (2004 dollars), 100 direct injuries (reported for the zone); NWS zone PAZ007		Countywide (zone-level records).	

Where a hazard names more than 10 jurisdictions, the table lists the 10 with the most records; every one is in the Excel file, sheet "B1-c Extent".

In event narratives only (local data needed): wind chill, temperature, heat index, ice thickness, acres burned and snow depth; any physical measure of debris flow and lightning.

Storm Events records are more complete after 1996; before 1996 only Tornado (from 1950), Hail and Thunderstorm Wind (from 1955) exist. Zone-level records from zones that no NWS zone-county file places in this county (mostly before 2020) are not counted here (the Methods page explains the zone matching).

Dollars are nominal (as reported), labeled with the year; not adjusted for inflation.

Supports FEMA checklist item B1-d: previous occurrences

Federal declarations for this county: 13 declarations covering 8 separate hazard incidents counted in this packet (declarations for the same incident count once; non-natural and evacuation-only declarations are not counted).

No county-level plan row in FEMA data, so there is no approval date to count from.

Federal disaster declarations for this county

Sources: 1, 2, 3

Declared	Incident began	FEMA number	Type	Title	Mapped hazard	County Public Assistance <i>federal share obligated, nominal dollars</i>	Notes
2020-03-30	2020-01-20	DR-4506-PA	Major disaster	COVID-19 Pandemic	Non-natural, not counted	\$5,794,694.67	
2020-03-13	2020-01-20	EM-3441-PA	Emergency	COVID-19	Non-natural, not counted	no Public Assistance recorded	same incident as DR-4506
2012-10-29	2012-10-26	EM-3356-PA	Emergency	Hurricane Sandy	Hurricane	no Public Assistance recorded	
2005-09-10	2005-08-29	EM-3235-PA	Emergency	Hurricane Katrina	Hurricane: evacuation support, not a local hazard event; not counted	no Public Assistance recorded	
2004-09-19	2004-09-17	DR-1557-PA	Major disaster	Tropical Depression Ivan	Hurricane: designated for Hazard Mitigation only (no Public or Individual Assistance for this county); not counted	PA not declared for this county	
2004-09-19	2004-09-08	DR-1555-PA	Major disaster	Severe Storms and Flooding Associated with Tropical Depression Frances	Hurricane; Inland Flooding: designated for Hazard Mitigation only (no Public or Individual Assistance for this county); not counted	PA not declared for this county	
2003-08-23	2003-07-21	DR-1485-PA	Major disaster	Severe Storms, Tornadoes, and Flooding	Inland Flooding; Tornado	\$1,050,390.42	
1996-01-21	1996-01-19	DR-1093-PA	Major disaster	Severe Storms and Flooding	Inland Flooding	PA not declared for this county	
1993-03-16	1993-03-13	EM-3105-PA	Emergency	Severe Snowfall & Winter Storm	Winter Weather	no Public Assistance recorded	
1985-06-03	1985-05-31	DR-737-PA	Major disaster	Severe Storms, High Winds & Tornadoes	Tornado (primary); also designated: Strong Wind	no Public Assistance recorded	
1981-06-15	1981-06-15	DR-641-PA	Major disaster	Severe Storms & Flooding	Inland Flooding	no Public Assistance recorded	
1977-01-29	1977-01-29	EM-3026-PA	Emergency	Snowstorms	Winter Weather	no Public Assistance recorded	
1972-06-23	1972-06-23	DR-340-PA	Major disaster	Tropical Storm Agnes	Inland Flooding (primary); also designated: Hurricane	no Public Assistance recorded	

County Public Assistance: applicants the FEMA record places in this county, including any state agencies FEMA files there; statewide rows are listed on the state page; federal share obligated, nominal dollars.

Statewide declarations

Source: 2

Declared	Incident began	FEMA number	Type	Title	Mapped hazard
1959-01-23	1959-01-23	DR-89-PA	Major disaster	Floods	Inland Flooding
1956-08-09	1956-08-09	DR-61-PA	Major disaster	Storm	Hazard not mapped (severe storm title names no single hazard); not counted
1956-05-21	1956-05-21	DR-58-PA	Major disaster	Severe Storm	Hazard not mapped (severe storm title names no single hazard); not counted
1956-03-15	1956-03-15	DR-51-PA	Major disaster	Flood	Inland Flooding
1955-08-20	1955-08-20	DR-40-PA	Major disaster	Floods & Rains	Inland Flooding

FEMA recorded these with designated area Statewide and no county, so they are listed on every county page in the state and not counted with county rows. Local data needed: whether each one affected this county.

Previous occurrences by hazard, with explicit no-event rows

Sources: 2, 6, 7

Hazard	Storm Events records, all years on file <i>(years in the Period column)</i>	Since plan approval <i>records</i>	In the 12 months before plan approval <i>records</i>	Last 5 years <i>records</i>	Declared incidents, all years <i>separate disasters</i>	Declared since approval <i>separate disasters</i>	Period	Statement
Cold Wave	9			2	0		1996 to 2026-06-30	
Drought	2			0	0		1996 to 2026-06-30	
Earthquake	0			0	0			Storm Events does not record earthquakes; the USGS earthquake catalog is the source.
Hail	160			26	0		1955 to 2026-06-30	
Heat Wave	0			0	0		1996 to 2026-06-30	No recorded events, 1996 to 2026-06-30, NOAA NCEI Storm Events
Hurricane	0			0	2		1996 to 2026-06-30	No Storm Events records of this type; 2 federal declared incidents (see declarations table)
Ice Storm	10			0	0		1996 to 2026-06-30	
Inland Flooding	105			4	4		1996 to 2026-06-30	
Landslide	0			0	0		1996 to 2026-06-30	No recorded events, 1996 to 2026-06-30, NOAA NCEI Storm Events
Lightning	0			0	0		1996 to 2026-06-30	No recorded events, 1996 to 2026-06-30, NOAA NCEI Storm Events
Strong Wind	547			142	1		1955 to 2026-06-30	Includes 22 High Wind and 2 Strong Wind records.
Tornado	25			1	2		1950 to 2026-06-30	

Hazard	Storm Events records, all years on file <i>(years in the Period column)</i>	Since plan approval <i>records</i>	In the 12 months before plan approval <i>records</i>	Last 5 years <i>records</i>	Declared incidents, all years <i>separate disasters</i>	Declared since approval <i>separate disasters</i>	Period	Statement
Wildfire	0			0	0		1996 to 2026-06-30	No recorded events, 1996 to 2026-06-30, NOAA NCEI Storm Events
Winter Weather	93			24	2		1996 to 2026-06-30	

Notable Storm Events records

Sources: 1, 6, 7

Date	Event type	Magnitude or extent	Damage <i>nominal dollars</i>	Deaths, injuries <i>direct only</i>	Location	Flags	Why listed
2025-01-20	Cold/Wind Chill		\$0 property; \$0 crops (zone total, 2025 dollars)	0, 0	NWS zone PAZ007 (MERCER), zone-level	within last 5 years	B1-c worst recorded: Cold/Wind Chill, Extreme Cold/Wind Chill
2019-05-28	Hail	2.75 in	damage not reported	0, 0	SANDY LAKE		B1-c worst recorded: Hail
2008-09-14	High Wind	50 kt (58 mph) estimated gust	\$1,000,000 property; \$0 crops (zone total, 2008 dollars)	0, 0	NWS zone PAZ007 (MERCER), zone-level		B1-c most damaging: High Wind and Strong Wind
2005-01-05	Ice Storm		\$20,000 property; crops not reported (zone total, 2005 dollars)	0, 0	NWS zone PAZ007 (MERCER), zone-level		B1-c worst recorded: Ice Storm
2004-12-20	Heavy Snow		\$650,000 property; crops not reported (zone total, 2004 dollars)	0, 100	NWS zone PAZ007 (MERCER), zone-level		deaths or injuries recorded
2002-11-10	Tornado	F2, 7 mi within this county, 500 yd wide	\$1,000,000 property; crops not reported (2002 dollars)	1, 19	SHARPSVILLE		deaths or injuries recorded
2002-08-16	Flash Flood		\$250,000 property; crops not reported (2002 dollars)	0, 0	SHARON		B1-c worst recorded: Flash Flood, Flood, Lakeshore Flood
2000-12-12	High Wind	61 kt (70 mph) estimated	\$50,000 property; crops not reported (zone total, 2000 dollars)	0, 0	NWS zone PAZ007 (MERCER), zone-level		B1-c worst recorded: High Wind and Strong Wind
1999-08-01	Drought		damage not reported	0, 0	NWS zone PAZ007 (MERCER), zone-level		B1-c worst recorded: Drought
1995-05-24	Thunderstorm Wind	130 kt (150 mph), measurement type not recorded	\$375,000 property; crops not recorded (1995 dollars)	0, 0	Mercer		B1-c worst recorded: Thunderstorm Wind
1985-05-31	Tornado	F5, 12 mi path length (whole path, pre-1996), 450 yd wide	\$250,000 property; crops not recorded (1985 dollars)	8, 60	location not recorded		deaths or injuries recorded
1985-05-31	Tornado	F4, 7 mi path length (whole path, pre-1996), 350 yd wide	\$25,000,000 property; crops not recorded (1985 dollars)	0, 5	location not recorded		B1-c most damaging: Tornado

The full list is in the Excel file, sheet "B1-d Storm Events history" (951 rows).

Location is the place NOAA recorded, as written in its data; it need not be a jurisdiction in this plan.

Local data needed: state-declared emergencies, from your state emergency management agency (federal data do not include them).

FEMA's declaration data list no tribal or special-area declarations for this state.

Supports FEMA checklist item B1-e: probability of future events

Probability: FEMA annualized frequency and descriptor per hazard

Sources: 5, 6

Hazard	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled) <i>unit per row</i>	Unit	In plain terms	Descriptor	Descriptor basis	NRI events or days in its record period (hail, wind and tornado are area-weighted, so can be fractional)	NRI period	Location	Note
Cold Wave	3.63	event-days per year	about 3.63 days per year	Likely	Storm Events event-days in 6 of 30 years, 1996 to 2025 (20%)	69	2005-11-12 to 2024-11-12 (19 years)	countywide	
Drought	0	event-days per year	none modeled	Possible	Storm Events event-days in 1 of 30 years, 1996 to 2025 (3.33%)	0	2000 to 2025 (25.25 years; D3 and D4 only)	countywide	NRI models no drought event-days here (2000 to 2025, 25.25 years; D3 and D4 only); Storm Events has a record in 1 of 30 years. The descriptor comes from Storm Events, which counts D2 drought that NRI leaves out.
Earthquake	0.000598	annual probability at a location	chance a given location in the county has at least minor-damage shaking in a year: 0.0598%			not shown	modeled	see B1-f	No descriptor (Storm Events does not record earthquakes).
Hail	3.79	events per year	about 3.79 per year	Highly likely	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled)	144.0 (modeled)	1986 to 2023 (38 years)	countywide	
Heat Wave	1.05	event-days per year	about 1.05 days per year		Storm Events event-days in 0 of 30 years, 1996 to 2025 (0%)	22	2005-11-12 to 2024-11-12 (19 years)	countywide	No Storm Events heat wave record, 1996 to 2025
Hurricane	0.0237	events per year	about 1 in 42 years	Possible	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled)	8	1851 to 2024 (Atlantic)	see B1-f	NRI counts hurricane and tropical storm tracks passing within storm-force wind range; federal declarations are in B1-d.
Ice Storm	0.447	event-days per year	about 0.447 days per year	Likely	Storm Events event-days in 6 of 30 years, 1996 to 2025 (20%)	30	1946-12-31 to 2014-02-12 (67 years)	countywide	
Inland Flooding	2.5	event-days per year	about 2.5 days per year	Likely	Storm Events event-days in 24 of 30 years, 1996 to 2025 (80%)	70	1996 to 2023 (28 years)	see B1-f	
Landslide	0.201	events per year (modeled)	about 1 in 5 years	Likely	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled)	not shown	modeled	see B1-f	

Hazard	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled) <i>unit per row</i>	Unit	In plain terms	Descriptor	Descriptor basis	NRI events or days in its record period (hail, wind and tornado are area- weighted, so can be fractional)				Location	Note
							NRI period				
Lightning	39.6	days per year with a strike	about 39.6 days per year	Highly likely	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled)	not shown	1995 to 2023 (29 years; CONUS)			countywide	
Strong Wind	2.28	events per year	about 2.28 per year	Highly likely	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled)	87	1986 to 2023 (38 years)			countywide	
Tornado	0.281	events per year	about 1 in 4 years	Likely	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled)	not shown	1950 to 2023 (EF2+); 1986 to 2023 (EF0-1)			see B1-f	
Wildfire	0.0000548	annual probability at a location	chance a given location in the county burns in a year: 0.00548%		Storm Events records in 0 of 30 years, 1996 to 2025 (0%)	not shown	modeled			see B1-f	No descriptor: no Storm Events record 1996 to 2025
Winter Weather	16.8	event-days per year	about 16.8 days per year	Likely	Storm Events event-days in 25 of 30 years, 1996 to 2025 (83.3%)	320	2005-11-12 to 2024-11-12 (19 years)			countywide	

FEMA annualized frequency (modeled) is the National Risk Index v1.20 (December 2025) estimate of how often a hazard affects this county in a year; it is not recorded events divided by years, and its unit differs by hazard (events, event-days, or days with a lightning strike per year). For earthquake, wildfire, coastal flooding and tsunami the value is the chance (or number of events) at a location in the county, not across the county, so no "1 in N years" is given and the descriptor comes from Storm Events where it has a record (none for earthquake). The Methods page gives each hazard's method, from FEMA's National Risk Index Technical Documentation v1.20.

Where NRI gives event-days, the descriptor comes from the share of years with a Storm Events record; NRI's source records more events, so the two differ.

Descriptor scale used in this packet (defined per unit)

Sources: 5, 6

Unit	Descriptor	Definition
events per year	Highly likely	1 or more per year
events per year	Likely	about once in 1 to 10 years
events per year	Possible	about once in 10 to 100 years
events per year	Unlikely	less than once in 100 years
annual probability	Likely	10% to under 100% chance in a given year
annual probability	Possible	1% to under 10% chance in a given year
annual probability	Unlikely	under 1% chance in a given year
event-days (share of years)	Highly likely	event-days recorded in 90% or more of years
event-days (share of years)	Likely	event-days recorded in 10% to under 90% of years
event-days (share of years)	Possible	event-days recorded in some years but under 10% of years
lightning strike-days	Highly likely	cloud-to-ground strikes on 1 or more days per year

Intensity bands: historical frequency (Storm Events)

Source: 6

Hazard	Band	Years	Events <i>county-coded records</i>	Years in period	Events per year <i>events / years</i>
Hail	1.00-1.99 in	1996 to 2025	73	30	2.43
Hail	2.00 in+	1996 to 2025	4	30	0.133
Thunderstorm Wind (counted as NRI Strong Wind)	50-64 kt	1996 to 2025	389	30	13
Thunderstorm Wind (counted as NRI Strong Wind)	65 kt+	1996 to 2025	3	30	0.1
Thunderstorm Wind (counted as NRI Strong Wind)	unmeasured or below 50 kt	1996 to 2025	57	30	1.9
Tornado	EF0-1	1996 to 2025	10	30	0.333
Tornado	EF2-3	1996 to 2025	1	30	0.0333
Tornado	EF4-5	1996 to 2025	0	30	0
Tornado	unrated (EFU)	1996 to 2025	1	30	0.0333

The bands show how often events of each severity were recorded in this county, to profile how severe events have been (FEMA's probability item asks for the range of intensities).

Hail smaller than 1 inch is not counted: on 2010-01-05 the National Weather Service raised its severe-hail threshold from 3/4 inch to 1 inch, so smaller reports became less common after 2009 (NWS Service Change Notice 09-52). NRI hail frequency uses a 0.75 inch threshold.

Optional: future conditions. Not a required item in the 2025 FEMA Local Mitigation Planning Policy Guide; some states ask for it. The federal Climate Mapping for Resilience and Adaptation (CMRA) site gives county exposure to future climate conditions (<https://resilience.climate.gov/>).

Supports FEMA checklist item B1-f: hazards that vary across jurisdictions

Range of census tract risk within the county

Source: 5

Hazard	Tracts <i>rated of all</i>	NRI risk score, 0 to 100			Tracts by rating
		Min	Median	Max	
Cold Wave	35 of 35	19.4	22.2	29.6	Relatively Low 35
Drought	0 of 35				No Rating 35
Earthquake	35 of 35	9.9	20.5	41.7	Relatively Low 1, Very Low 34
Hail	35 of 35	47.9	68.2	82.7	Relatively Moderate 14, Relatively Low 21
Heat Wave	35 of 35	2.7	4.0	8.5	Very Low 35
Hurricane	35 of 35	42.6	51.3	60.4	Relatively Low 17, Very Low 18
Ice Storm	35 of 35	6.7	18.0	64.8	Relatively Low 5, Very Low 30
Inland Flooding	35 of 35	5.5	65.7	95.4	Relatively High 11, Relatively Moderate 12, Relatively Low 8, Very Low 4
Landslide	35 of 35	15.5	48.5	84.5	Relatively Low 4, Very Low 31
Lightning	35 of 35	49.0	74.7	93.5	Relatively High 15, Relatively Moderate 19, Relatively Low 1
Strong Wind	35 of 35	41.5	65.0	84.0	Relatively High 2, Relatively Moderate 24, Relatively Low 9

Hazard	Tracts <i>rated of all</i>	NRI risk score, 0 to 100			Tracts by rating
		Min	Median	Max	
Tornado	35 of 35	28.8	40.7	57.2	Relatively Moderate 4, Relatively Low 29, Very Low 2
Wildfire	35 of 35	25.9	58.5	75.0	Relatively Low 6, Very Low 29
Winter Weather	35 of 35	44.0	64.5	84.7	Relatively High 4, Relatively Moderate 26, Relatively Low 5

Rated tracts only: No Rating (score 0.0), Not Applicable and Insufficient Data tracts are counted but not used for the minimum, median and maximum.

The score ranks a tract against all U.S. tracts (100 = highest). The rating is FEMA's category for the tract's risk value, computed differently, so the two can disagree.

Frequency data for cold wave, hail, heat wave, ice storm, lightning, strong wind and winter weather are county-wide or coarse (49 km grid or NWS zone), the same for every jurisdiction; the tract range mostly reflects where buildings and people are.

Each jurisdiction (starting figures from federal data)

Sources: 1, 3, 4, 6

Jurisdiction	Type	Plan status	Repetitive loss <i>FMA RL and SRL (44 CFR 77.2); repeat-flood, any definition</i>	Public Assistance to this jurisdiction <i>FEMA records matched by applicant name; federal share obligated, nominal dollars</i>	Event records naming this place <i>all years; since its plan</i>	Notes
Clark borough	Organized Borough	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$6,121.76	8 total; 1 since its plan	
Farrell city	City	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$3,863.69	34 total; 6 since its plan	
Fredonia borough	Organized Borough	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$833.62	19 total; 2 since its plan	
Greenville borough	Organized Borough	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$27,227.97	61 total; 1 since its plan	
Grove City borough	Organized Borough	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$30,756.57	58 total; 13 since its plan	
Hermitage city	City	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 1	\$128,282.49	30 total; 7 since its plan	Includes \$3,862.41 for declarations not counted as hazard incidents (DR-4506-PA).
Jackson Center borough	Organized Borough	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	no Public Assistance recorded	16 total; 7 since its plan	
Jamestown borough	Organized Borough	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$35,238.68	35 total; 5 since its plan	
Mercer borough	Organized Borough	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 1	no Public Assistance recorded	74 total; 10 since its plan	
New Lebanon borough	Organized Borough	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$4,368.76	11 total; 0 since its plan	
Sandy Lake borough	Organized Borough	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	no Public Assistance recorded	36 total; 4 since its plan	
Sharon city	City	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 2; any 2	\$148,651.91	51 total; 4 since its plan	Includes \$94,655.64 for declarations not counted as hazard incidents (DR-4506-PA).

Jurisdiction	Type	Plan status	Repetitive loss	Public Assistance to this jurisdiction	Event records naming this place	Notes
			<i>FMA RL and SRL (44 CFR 77.2); repeat-flood, any definition</i>	<i>FEMA records matched by applicant name; federal share obligated, nominal dollars</i>	<i>all years; since its plan</i>	
Sharpsville borough	Organized Borough	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$23,341.78	27 total; 11 since its plan	
Sheakleyville borough	Organized Borough	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	no Public Assistance recorded	7 total; 1 since its plan	
Stoneboro borough	Organized Borough	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 1; any 1	no Public Assistance recorded	21 total; 3 since its plan	
West Middlesex borough	Organized Borough	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$57,131.84	19 total; 4 since its plan	
Wheatland borough	Organized Borough	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$2,362.64	6 total; 1 since its plan	
Coolspring township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 1	\$4,127.62	0 total; 0 since its plan	
Deer Creek township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$17,476.61	0 total; 0 since its plan	
Delaware township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$31,699.02	0 total; 0 since its plan	
East Lackawannock township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	no Public Assistance recorded	0 total; 0 since its plan	
Fairview township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$10,598.31	4 total; 2 since its plan	
Findley township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$5,381.60	0 total; 0 since its plan	
French Creek township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 1	\$50,932.51	0 total; 0 since its plan	
Greene township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$30,643.67	0 total; 0 since its plan	
Hempfield township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 1	\$15,566.66	0 total; 0 since its plan	
Jackson township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	no Public Assistance recorded	0 total; 0 since its plan	
Jefferson township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$32,687.91	0 total; 0 since its plan	
Lackawannock township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$3,895.16	0 total; 0 since its plan	
Lake township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	no Public Assistance recorded	0 total; 0 since its plan	
Liberty township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$36,622.46	0 total; 0 since its plan	

Jurisdiction	Type	Plan status	Repetitive loss	Public Assistance to this jurisdiction	Event records naming this place	Notes
			<i>FMA RL and SRL (44 CFR 77.2); repeat-flood, any definition</i>	<i>FEMA records matched by applicant name; federal share obligated, nominal dollars</i>	<i>all years; since its plan</i>	
Mill Creek township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	no Public Assistance recorded	0 total; 0 since its plan	
New Vernon township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$24,930.14	5 total; 2 since its plan	
Otter Creek township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$21,636.21	0 total; 0 since its plan	
Perry township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$58,044.84	0 total; 0 since its plan	
Pine township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$14,225.50	0 total; 0 since its plan	
Pymatuning township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 2	\$7,708.16	0 total; 0 since its plan	
Salem township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$15,956.34	5 total; 1 since its plan	
Sandy Creek township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$60,837.60	0 total; 0 since its plan	
Sandy Lake township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	no Public Assistance recorded	36 total; 4 since its plan	
Shenango township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$48,946.72	8 total; 4 since its plan	
South Pymatuning township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$37,227.22	0 total; 0 since its plan	
Springfield township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$21,248.82	0 total; 0 since its plan	
Sugar Grove township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$5,175.39	0 total; 0 since its plan	
West Salem township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 1	\$15,873.56	0 total; 0 since its plan	
Wilmington township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$8,297.12	0 total; 0 since its plan	
Wolf Creek township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$6,242.54	0 total; 0 since its plan	
Worth township	Township	Approved, expires 2028-03-19	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	no Public Assistance recorded	0 total; 0 since its plan	

Repetitive-loss counts are for whole NFIP communities, which can extend beyond this county (see the note in B2-c).

County Public Assistance in B1-d also includes applicants filed under the county that are not jurisdictions in this plan (for example state agencies, special districts and nonprofits), so the jurisdiction rows add up to less.

Supports FEMA checklist items B2-a and B2-b: vulnerability and potential impacts

Local data needed

The table below gives county-level starting figures; the plan describes impacts for each jurisdiction and its own assets.

No county-level plan row in FEMA data, so there is no approval date to count from.

- Critical facilities and lifelines per hazard
- A problem statement per jurisdiction per hazard
- Changes in development in hazard-prone areas since the last approval, or a statement of none (E1-a)
- Future assets

County-level starter: exposure, expected annual loss and damage since the plan

Sources: 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7

Hazard	Building exposure <i>modeled dollars</i>	Agriculture exposure <i>modeled dollars</i>	Population exposed <i>people</i>	EAL buildings <i>modeled dollars per year</i>	EAL agriculture <i>modeled dollars per year</i>	Cost of expected deaths and injuries <i>FEMA's dollar value per year, not property damage</i>	EAL as % of exposure <i>buildings; agriculture where noted</i>	Storm Events damage since plan <i>county-coded records, property plus crops, nominal dollars</i>	Zone-level damage since plan <i>property plus crops, reported for the zone</i>	Public Assistance since plan <i>nominal dollars; see note</i>	Note
Cold Wave	\$31,203,587,586	\$84,633,276	110,623	\$1,219	\$18,244	\$235,637	under 0.0001%				
Drought	n/a	\$0	n/a	n/a	\$0	n/a					agriculture exposure is 0 in NRI
Earthquake	\$52,387,568,599	n/a	110,652	\$210,210	n/a	\$58,336	0.000401%				
Hail	\$31,203,587,586	\$84,633,276	110,623	\$573,680	\$45,249	\$28,322	0.00184%				
Heat Wave	\$31,203,587,586	\$84,633,276	110,623	\$6	\$2,044	\$108,353	under 0.0001%				
Hurricane	\$31,189,160,766	\$84,025,530	110,567	\$271,438	\$25,714	\$9,317	0.00087%				
Ice Storm	\$31,130,235,737	n/a	110,127	\$23,751	n/a	\$29,558	under 0.0001%				
Inland Flooding	\$31,177,952,273	\$1,136,630	1,362	\$29,006,613	\$24,355	\$28,640	n/a (see note)				NRI counts the full building value of any census block with some flood loss; this is not the value of buildings in the floodplain. Use local FIRM overlays for B2-a/B2-b.
Landslide	\$395,953,065	n/a	1,461	\$241	n/a	\$496	under 0.0001%				
Lightning	\$31,203,587,586	n/a	110,623	\$9,514	n/a	\$916,982	under 0.0001%				
Strong Wind	\$31,203,587,586	\$84,633,276	110,623	\$522,702	\$2,699	\$455,104	0.00168%				
Tornado	\$31,203,587,586	\$84,633,276	110,623	\$980,065	\$2,310	\$356,343	0.00314%				

Hazard	Building exposure <i>modeled dollars</i>	Agriculture exposure <i>modeled dollars</i>	Population exposed <i>people</i>	EAL buildings <i>modeled dollars per year</i>	EAL agriculture <i>modeled dollars per year</i>	Cost of expected deaths and injuries <i>FEMA's dollar value per year, not property damage</i>	EAL as % of exposure <i>buildings; agriculture where noted</i>	Storm Events damage since plan <i>county-coded records, property plus crops, nominal dollars</i>	Zone-level damage since plan <i>property plus crops, reported for the zone</i>	Public Assistance since plan <i>nominal dollars; see note</i>	Note
Wildfire	\$8,072,437,439	\$23,252,277	29,458	\$16,481	\$11	\$2,197	0.000204%				
Winter Weather	\$31,203,587,586	\$84,633,276	110,623	\$136,943	\$43	\$31,086	0.000439%				

Totals since the plan: not available. No county-level plan row in FEMA data, so there is no approval date to count from.

FEMA does not split Public Assistance by hazard. A declaration mapped to several hazards is listed under each of them with its full amount, so the per-hazard column does not add up to the total; the unit total counts each declaration once.

NRI computes earthquake exposure on its own basis, so it exceeds the county building value in B2-a.

Supports FEMA checklist item B2-a: vulnerability (county context)

County context

Source: 5

Measure	Value
Population	110,623
Building value (total, not at risk)	\$31,203,587,586
Agriculture value (total, not at risk)	\$84,633,276
NRI risk rating (all hazards)	Relatively Low
Expected annual loss, buildings and agriculture, all hazards	\$31,873,529
Expected annual loss, population equivalence, all hazards (NRI values each statistical life at \$13.7M; a modeled value of expected deaths and injuries, not property damage)	\$2,260,373
Social vulnerability rating	Relatively Moderate
Community resilience rating	Relatively High
NRI version	December 2025

FEMA's all-hazard expected annual loss adds buildings, agriculture and population equivalence; this table gives the property part and the population-equivalence part as separate rows.

Social vulnerability: higher means people are more likely to be harmed and slower to recover. Community resilience: lower means the community is less able to recover. High social vulnerability and low resilience both raise the NRI risk rating.

Supports FEMA checklist item B2-c: repetitive loss properties

Repetitive loss in this county, both definitions

Sources: 1, 4

Definition	Properties	Severe repetitive loss	Properties
Repetitive loss, FMA definition (44 CFR 77.2)	0	Severe repetitive loss, FMA definition (44 CFR 77.2)	3
Repetitive loss, NFIP insurance definition	11	Severe repetitive loss, NFIP insurance definition	3

The state NFIP coordinator's list, the source FEMA's Handbook names, often uses the NFIP insurance definition (second row).

Repeat-flood properties: county and state-level rows

Sources: 1, 4

Scope	RL, FMA <i>properties</i>	SRL, FMA <i>properties</i>	RL, NFIP <i>properties</i>	SRL, NFIP <i>properties</i>	Any category <i>properties</i>	Mitigated <i>properties</i>	Currently insured <i>properties</i>
County total	0	3	11	3	11	0	1
of which: Mercer borough	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
of which: Sharon city	0	2	2	2	2	0	0
of which: Stoneboro borough	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
of which: Hermitage city	0	0	1	0	1	0	1
of which: Coolspring township	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
of which: French Creek township	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
of which: Hempfield township	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
of which: Pymatuning township	0	0	2	0	2	0	0
of which: West Salem township	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Statewide, no county in FEMA's file	0	0	1	0	1	0	0

The statewide row counts properties FEMA's file gives with no county in this state; they are listed for reference and are not in this county's counts.

Repeat-flood properties by jurisdiction in the plan (NFIP community)

Sources: 1, 4

Jurisdiction	NFIP community ID	RL, FMA <i>properties</i>	SRL, FMA <i>properties</i>	RL, NFIP <i>properties</i>	SRL, NFIP <i>properties</i>	Any category <i>properties</i>	Mitigated <i>properties</i>	Currently insured <i>properties</i>
Clark borough	422475	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Farrell city	420673	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fredonia borough	422477	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Greenville borough	420674	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grove City borough	420675	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hermitage city	421862	0	0	1	0	1	0	1

Jurisdiction	NFIP community ID	RL, FMA <i>properties</i>	SRL, FMA <i>properties</i>	RL, NFIP <i>properties</i>	SRL, NFIP <i>properties</i>	Any category <i>properties</i>	Mitigated <i>properties</i>	Currently insured <i>properties</i>
Jackson Center borough	422479	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jamestown borough	422481	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mercer borough	420676	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
New Lebanon borough	422484	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sandy Lake borough	420677	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sharon city	420678	0	2	2	2	2	0	0
Sharpsville borough	420682	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sheakleyville borough	422715	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stoneboro borough	420679	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
West Middlesex borough	420680	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wheatland borough	420681	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Coolspring township	421863	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Deer Creek township	422476	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Delaware township	422283	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
East Lackawannock township	421864	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fairview township	421865	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Findley township	421866	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
French Creek township	421867	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Greene township	422478	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hempfield township	421868	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Jackson township	422480	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jefferson township	421869	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lackawannock township	422482	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lake township	422483	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Liberty township	421870	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mill Creek township	421871	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Vernon township	422485	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Otter Creek township	422486	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Perry township	422487	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pine township	422284	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pymatuning township	422285	0	0	2	0	2	0	0
Salem township	421872	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sandy Creek township	421873	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sandy Lake township	421874	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Shenango township	421875	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Jurisdiction	NFIP community ID	RL, FMA <i>properties</i>	SRL, FMA <i>properties</i>	RL, NFIP <i>properties</i>	SRL, NFIP <i>properties</i>	Any category <i>properties</i>	Mitigated <i>properties</i>	Currently insured <i>properties</i>
South Pymatuning township	421876	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Springfield township	421877	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sugar Grove township	422489	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
West Salem township	422490	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Wilmington township	421878	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wolf Creek township	422491	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Worth township	422492	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Counts by occupancy group for each jurisdiction are in the Excel file, sheet "B2-c Jurisdictions".

Jurisdiction rows are whole NFIP communities and need not add up to the county total: a community that extends into another county is counted in full on each jurisdiction row, while the county table counts only its part in this county.

County repeat-flood properties by occupancy group

Sources: 1, 4

Occupancy group	RL, FMA <i>properties</i>	SRL, FMA <i>properties</i>	RL, NFIP <i>properties</i>	SRL, NFIP <i>properties</i>	Any category <i>properties</i>	Mitigated <i>properties</i>	Currently insured <i>properties</i>
single-family residential	0	1	7	1	7	0	0
2 to 4 unit residential	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
other residential	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
non-residential	0	2	4	2	4	0	1
not reported	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

FEMA's occupancy groups have no institutional class; institutional properties are counted in non-residential or other residential in the table by occupancy group.

FMA RL and FMA SRL are the Flood Mitigation Assistance definitions (44 CFR 77.2), the ones the FEMA Local Mitigation Planning Policy Guide cites. NFIP repetitive loss (the FEMA insurance definition) is 2 or more claims over \$1,000 in 10 years, and a property can leave that group once it is mitigated. Also shown: NFIP severe repetitive loss, any category, mitigated and currently insured. The Methods page gives the OpenFEMA field details.

Counts are aggregates of FEMA's public NFIP Multiple Loss Properties file (FEMA's data date 2026-08-02; file version 2026-08-04). No property is identified. County assignment is FEMA's geocode.

In this county 0 properties are FMA repetitive loss but not NFIP repetitive loss, and 11 properties are NFIP repetitive loss but not FMA repetitive loss.

Exact counts; no count suppression.

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What this packet is and what the plan adds

This packet is the federal data for the plan's risk assessment (the summary on page 1 says how it is organized); the plan and FEMA's review decide whether each item is met.

The plan adds what only the community has: local data on assets, critical facilities, development and each jurisdiction's impacts; local hazard history, including state-declared emergencies; the mitigation strategy; and adoption.

How the federal data are built: National Risk Index values are FEMA's model, not counts of events. Storm Events is more complete from 1996; zone-level records are placed by forecast zone, not by location in the county. Public Assistance for a jurisdiction is matched by applicant name. The Methods page gives every rule and the known edge cases.

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