

LEON VALLEY ANNOUNCES PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT PERIOD FOR THE REGIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

Leon Valley, TX – City of Leon Valley and other jurisdictions within the AACOG area have completed work on a draft of the regional hazard mitigation plan, and have scheduled a five day public comment period for the plan. This plan was made possible through a grant provided by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and administered by the Texas Division of Emergency Management.

The plan will be made available to the public on the Alamo Area Council of Government's website, and can be accessed through the following link:
<http://www.aacog.com/index.aspx?NID=405>.

This comment period will give the public the opportunity to review the draft and make comments regarding the draft plan for City of Leon Valley to include in the plan. We are asking that the public take this opportunity to make comments regarding the draft plan. Any comments or suggestions can be emailed to: Robert Lee, AFC / EMC at R.Lee@LeonValleyTexas.gov.

The plan will be available for public comment until **June 19, 2012**. All comments received by this date will be reviewed and considered.

The primary intent of this project is to identify and document potential hazards, risks, vulnerabilities and projects that are suitable for future federal funding as it becomes available. The projects will be focused on reducing the risk of loss of life, injury or property damage due to natural hazards; generally referred to as hazard mitigation. This process includes input from the local hazard mitigation team in Leon Valley.

Each year, millions of federal hazard mitigation grants dollars are made available to eligible applicants via programs such as the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) and the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program (PDM). With an approved hazard mitigation plan, the County and the municipalities will be eligible for these competitive grant funds.