



**RESOLUTION TITLE: ADOPTION OF REVISED CLEVELAND GASTON LINCOLN COUNTY REGIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**

- WHEREAS, Gaston County is vulnerable to an array of natural hazards that can cause loss of life and damages to public and private property; and,
- WHEREAS, Gaston County desires to seek ways to mitigate situations that may aggravate such circumstances; and,
- WHEREAS, the development and implementation of a hazard mitigation plan can result in actions that reduce the long-term risk to life and property from natural hazards; and,
- WHEREAS, it is the intent of Gaston County to protect its citizens and property from the effects of natural hazards by preparing and maintaining a local hazard mitigation plan; and,
- WHEREAS, it is also the intent of the Board of County Commission to fulfill its obligation under North Carolina General Statutes, Chapter 166A: North Carolina Emergency Management Act and Section 322: Mitigation planning, of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to remain eligible to receive State and Federal assistance in the event of a declared disaster affecting Gaston County Government; and,
- WHEREAS, the Board of County Commission appoints Gaston County Emergency Management and Gaston County Planning Offices to assure that the Hazard Mitigation Plan is reviewed annually and updated every five (5) years as specified to assure that the Plan is in compliance with all State and Federal Regulations and that any needed revisions or amendments to the Plan are developed and presented to the Board of County Commission for consideration; and,
- WHEREAS, Gaston County, in coordination with Cleveland and Lincoln Counties and the participating municipalities within those Counties, has prepared a multi-jurisdictional hazard mitigation plan with input from the appropriate local and state officials; and,
- WHEREAS, the Board of County Commission adopted the Cleveland Gaston Lincoln County Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan on May 26, 2015; and,
- WHEREAS, the North Carolina Division of Emergency Management and the Federal Emergency Management Agency have reviewed the revised Cleveland Gaston Lincoln County Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan for legislative compliance and has approved the revised plan pending the completion of local adoption procedures.

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I, Donna S. Buff, Clerk to the County Commission, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of action taken by the Board of Commissioners as follows:

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commission of Gaston County hereby:

- 1) Adopts the revised Cleveland Gaston Lincoln County Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan;  
and,
- 2) Agrees to take such other official action as may be reasonably necessary to carry out  
the proposed actions of the Plan.