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West Chester University All-Hazard Mitigation Plan Draft Completed

West Chester – Since January 2014, West Chester University and the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education (PASSHE), together with Michael Baker International, have been updating the **WCU All-Hazards Mitigation Plan**. The updated Hazard Mitigation Plan will be the blueprint for reducing or eliminating long-term property damage and saving lives from the effects of future natural and man-made disasters in the university community.

After evaluating risks, assessing capabilities, and developing a mitigation strategy, the WCU hazard mitigation planning team is inviting county, municipal, non-profit, and business stakeholders, the campus community, and members of the public to hear about the draft plan, provide feedback on the HMP, and learn about plan implementation strategies. This final public meeting will be held on:

**October 13, 2015**
2:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Peoples Building, Room 7
690 South Church Street, West Chester, PA 19383

The plan is currently available for review and comment at [http://www.wcupahmp.com/](http://www.wcupahmp.com/).

The HMP, when approved, will guide the university towards greater disaster resistance as part of ongoing efforts to create a more sustainable community. Additionally, an approved plan will also qualify WCU for certain kinds of FEMA mitigation project funding.

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