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PRESS RELEASE

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PRESS RELEASE: Riverhead participation in Suffolk County Hazmat Mitigation Plan Update Survey

The Town of Riverhead, in collaboration with Suffolk County's Office of Emergency Management, is currently in the process of updating the Suffolk County Hazardous Mitigation Plan.

A Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) is a community's plan for reducing the long-term risk from disasters before they happen, not just reacting after. The plan identifies hazards, assesses risk and vulnerability to the public, homes, infrastructure, and potential impacts. The plan defines what the community wants to protect and improve such as Public Safety, property, critical services, and economic stability. It recommends actions such as improving drainage systems and elevating or flood proofing buildings just to name a few. The plan prioritizes projects and an approved Hazard Mitigation Plan is required to qualify for FEMA hazard mitigation grants.

The Town is asking for the public to participate in this process by completing an online survey. The survey is designed for residents, business owners, and community members to share firsthand experiences with hazards and provide feedback on resilience and preparedness.

The link to the survey is listed below. This link will also be posted on the Town's website under the 'News Flash' section. The survey ends on February 20th, 2026.

<https://forms.office.com/r/190KYHFgEs>

A graphic with a torn paper effect. On the left, a black box contains text and a QR code. On the right, a photo shows several people in flood gear standing in a flooded area. Text overlaid on the photo reads "2026 HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE".

Suffolk County is updating its HMP, and your input is needed.

If you live or work in the County, scan the QR code to access a public survey. Help make Suffolk Co. more resilient to hazard impacts

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