

Town of Chenango
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SURVEY

We need your help!

Our community is engaged in planning to become less vulnerable to disasters, and your participation is important to us.

The Town of Chenango is working to prepare an *All Hazards Mitigation Plan*. The purpose of this plan is to identify and assess our community's disaster risks and determine how to best minimize or manage those risks. Upon completion, the plan will be presented to New York State Department of Emergency Management and the Federal Emergency Management Agency for review and approval.

This survey questionnaire provides an opportunity for you to share your opinions and participate in the mitigation planning process. The information you provide will help us better understand your hazard concerns and identify area policies and projects that can help lessen the impact of future hazard events.

Please help us by completing this survey and returning it to:

Hazard Mitigation Committee
Town of Chenango
1529 State Route 12
Binghamton, NY 13901

Survey's can also be faxed to: (607) 648-9192

If you have any questions regarding this survey, or would like to learn more about how you can participate in the development of the Town of Chenango All-Hazard Mitigation Plan, please call (607) 648-4809 or e-mail us at highway@townofchenango.com.

1. **What street do you live on?** _____

2. **Have you ever experienced or been impacted by a disaster?**

- Yes (please explain):** _____
- No**

3. How concerned are you about the possibility of our community being impacted by a disaster?

- Extremely concerned
- Somewhat concerned
- Not concerned

4. Please indicated what you feel is the number one threat and the second largest threat to your neighborhood:

- Dam Failure _____
- Drought _____
- Earthquake _____
- Erosion _____
- Extreme Heat _____
- Flood _____
- Hail _____
- Hazardous Materials _____
- Hurricane _____
- Land Subsidence _____
- Landslide _____
- Lighting _____
- Major Urban Fire _____
- Pipeline Failure _____
- Severe Winter Storm _____
- Terrorism _____
- Tornado/Wind Storm _____
- Wildland Fire _____
- Other (please explain): _____

5. Is there another hazard not listed in this survey that you think is a wide-scale threat your neighborhood?

- Yes (please explain): _____
- No

6. Is your home or business located in a floodplain?

- Yes, and if so do you have flood insurance and the annual cost _____
- No and reason _____
- I don't know

7. Have you taken any actions to make your home, business or neighborhood resistant to hazards?

- Yes
- No

a. If “Yes”, please explain:

8. What is the most effective way for you to receive information about how to make your home, business or neighborhood more resistant to hazards?

- Newspaper
- Television
- Radio
- Internet
- Mail
- Public workshops/meetings
- Other (please explain): _____

9. Would you be interested in joining/participating in the Town of Chenango’s Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee

- Yes, please give your name , address and phone number

10. A number of community-wide activities can reduce our risk from hazards. In general, these activities fall into one of the following six broad categories. Please tell us how important you think each one is for you to consider pursuing.

Category	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Important
<p><u>Prevention</u> Administrative or regulatory actions that influence the way land is developed and buildings are built. Examples include planning and zoning, building Codes, open space preservation, and floodplain Regulations</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p><u>Property Protection</u> Actions that involve the modification of existing buildings to protect them from a hazard or removal from the hazard area. Examples include acquisition, relocation, elevation, structural retrofits, and storm shutters.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p><u>Natural Resource Protection</u> Actions that, in addition to minimizing hazard losses, also preserve or restore the functions of natural systems. Examples include: floodplain protection, habitat preservation, slope stabilization, riparian buffers, and forest management.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p><u>Structural Projects</u> Actions intended to lessen the impact of a hazard by modifying the natural progression of the hazard. Examples include dams, levees, detention/retention basins, channel modification, retaining walls and storm sewers.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p><u>Emergency Services</u> Actions that protect people and property during and immediately after a hazard event. Examples include learning systems, evacuation planning, emergency response training, and protection of critical emergency facilities or systems.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p><u>Public education and Awareness</u> Actions to inform citizens about hazards and the techniques they can use to protect themselves and their property. Examples include outreach programs, library materials and demonstration events.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION

