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## **Hazard Mitigation Plan Public Meeting on July 25, 2018**

Chemung County and participating jurisdictions will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, July 25th to gather public input for a County-wide Hazard Mitigation Action Plan. The meeting is from 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. at the Big Flats Community Center, located at 476 Maple St. Big Flats, NY 14814. The public is invited and encouraged to attend the meeting.

The purpose of the public meeting is to provide a project overview from H<sub>2</sub>O Partners, Inc., consultant to the project, and solicit information from citizens. Public input will help the project team to identify and analyze potential natural hazards affecting residents and recommend possible actions to reduce their impact. Hazards will include floods, tornadoes, severe winter storms, and landslide.

If you cannot attend the public meeting, information about the planning process and a public participation survey can be obtained by contacting Rachel Andrews, H<sub>2</sub>O Partners, Inc. at [rachel@h2opartnersusa.com](mailto:rachel@h2opartnersusa.com).

The goal of the Hazard Mitigation Plan is to minimize or eliminate the long-term risk to human life and property from known hazards by identifying and implementing cost-effective mitigation actions. Mitigation is defined by the Federal Emergency Management Agency as sustained actions taken to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and property from hazards and their effects.

Questions about the Hazard Mitigation Plan should be addressed to H<sub>2</sub>O Partners, Inc., planning consultants for Chemung County; Attn: Rachel Andrews, Mitigation Specialist by email at [rachel@h2opartnersusa.com](mailto:rachel@h2opartnersusa.com).