

April 9, 2020 **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING ON FEMA APPROVED DRAFT HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

The virtual meeting will be viewable on JPTV and Jefferson Parish Facebook

JEFFERSON, LA – Jefferson Parish and its incorporated municipalities (Grand Isle, Gretna, Harahan, Jean Lafitte, Kenner and Westwego) have worked together to update the Parish's multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan which is required by FEMA every five years. The purpose of the plan is to provide a framework for community officials to use for reducing vulnerability to natural hazards such as flooding, hurricanes, and tornadoes.

Due to COVID-19, this public meeting will be held virtually on Thursday, April 16, 2020 at 6 p.m. and should last approximately 45 minutes. The public is invited to attend the virtual meeting to view the Plan Update presentation prior to official adoption to get an overview of the plan document and its highlights. Participants will also be given the opportunity to submit public comment and/or questions.

On Thursday, April 16 at 6 p.m., the virtual meeting will be viewable on JPTV (Channel 6 on Cox and Channel 99 on AT&T Uverse), as well as the Jefferson Parish Facebook page at www.facebook.com/JeffersonParishGov/

Public comments and participant sign-in will be accepted via this Google Form link https://forms.gle/NsMpR6WFRyMRtcY68 and on the Facebook comment thread. The team will respond to all questions within 48 hours.

To learn more and view a copy of the approved draft multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan 2020 Update and meeting agenda, visit jeffparish.net/HMP.

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