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Region Hazard Mitigation Plan Update for 2025

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Henderson, Polk, Rutherford, and Transylvania Counties and the municipal governments within these counties are working together to update the South Mountains Hazard Mitigation Plan. The South Mountains area is vulnerable to a wide range of natural and human-caused disasters that threaten the life and safety of residents and have the potential to damage or destroy property, disrupt the local economy, and impact the overall quality of life of individuals who live, work and vacation in the region.

The purpose of this plan is to assess our community's natural hazard risks and determine how to lessen our vulnerability in disasters. The Federal Emergency Management Agency, or FEMA, requires local governments to update the plan every five years to be eligible to receive federal funds to mitigate or clean up following a disaster. The [current plan](#) expires in 2025.

Public input is an essential part of this plan. All interested residents are invited to participate in a survey to help the local governments develop the most effective and beneficial plan possible.

A link and QR code are provided below or interested individuals may complete the survey form attached and mail it to Henderson County Emergency Management Planner Victoria Cortes, 2529 Asheville Highway, Hendersonville NC 28791.

[Click here to fill out on-line form](#)

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