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Table 7.3: Mitigation Initiatives Prioritization Scores

Initiative	Health and Safety	Protects People	Protects Property	Risk Reduction	Essential Services	Guiding Principles	Implement Time	Bonus	Total Score
Increase intergovernmental coordination in the area of stormwater management.	50	80	80	80	30	20	40	10	390
Improve the disaster resistance of existing site built housing stock.	100	80	80	60	0	15	30	20	385
Advocate that FEMA provide greater flexibility to local communities that elect to establish more accurate flood elevations.	50	80	80	40	20	30	60	10	370
Promote disaster resistant neighborhoods.	50	80	80	80	0	0	60	10	360
Improvement in floodplain boundary identification and implementation of the FEMA map amendment process.	75	60	60	20	20	30	10	40	355
Explore methods to eliminate additional development in the 25-year floodplain.	100	80	80	20	20	20	0	20	350
Identify shuttering/hardening needs for Tallahassee Memorial Hospital (TMH) and Tallahassee Community Hospital (TCH)	75	10	80	80	20	10	60	10	345
Strengthen the land development code dealing with finished floor elevation.	75	80	80	40	20	30	0	20	345
Expand the County's housing inspection program.	75	20	40	80	20	20	60	30	345
Improve current efforts to remove dead, dying or diseased trees or branches next to roadways and power lines.	75	60	20	80	20	25	30	20	330
Flood related capital improvement projects.	100	60	40	40	20	30	10	30	330
Identify equipment needs for responding to a weapons of mass destruction threat, a hazardous materials release or similar disaster.	75	10	20	20	20	20	40	20	325
Require flood hazard disclosure in the deed for the sale or transfer of improved or unimproved property in the floodplain.	75	80	60	40	0	20	40	10	325

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Acquire parcels in the 100-year floodplain.	75	40	40	60	0	20	60	10	305
Evaluate requirements and feasibility for the County's participation in the NFIP Community Rating System.	75	80	20	40	0	25	40	20	300
Establish audible warning systems at the dam.	100	20	20	60	20	10	40	10	280
Explore the feasibility of adding a full build-out component to the Leon County Master Stormwater Management Plan	75	40	40	20	20	30	40	10	275
Retrofit shelters to correct known deficiencies.	50	20	40	80	20	5	30	20	265
Consider addressing the economic impact of different disaster scenarios, as information becomes available.	50	80	0	20	20	25	30	30	255
Replacement of overhead electrical distribution lines with underground lines along Woodward Ave.	75	80	20	40	10	10	10	0	245
Identify decontamination training needs for TMH and TCH personnel.	75	10	20	20	20	5	60	30	240
Identify needs for improving the disaster resistance of critical facilities.	75	20	20	60	20	0	30	0	225
Identify, develop and implement training courses for emergency responders.	50	80	0	0	20	0	40	30	220
Host an annual or semi-annual disaster fair.	50	80	0	0	10	0	40	40	220
Develop a program to promote a community-wide debate comparing community vulnerability with available resources.	50	80	0	0	30	0	30	30	220
Develop program to deploy flood-warning devices at critical facilities and/or locations.	75	10	0	80	0	0	40	10	215

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Develop regional hazardous materials response capability; identify needed assets, training and local agreements.	50	10	20	60	20	0	30	20	210
Develop automated telephone warning/notice system tied to chemical releases at fixed facilities.	75	10	0	40	20	0	40	20	205
Identify populations at risk under different scenarios.	50	20	0	60	20	0	30	10	190
Build a single, community-wide emergency operations center.	50	80	0	0	20	10	30	--	180
Develop and implement program(s) to promote better understanding between hospital and local emergency service provider personnel regarding hospital emergency plans and local emergency plans/capabilities.	50	10	0	20	20	5	60	20	185
Encourage the establishment of community-based emergency shelters.	50	10	0	80	0	5	30	10	185
Compile a more comprehensive hazardous materials database.	50	80	0	0	20	0	10	20	180
Establish a community emergency medical needs working group.	50	20	0	0	20	0	60	20	170
Establish an exercise design team.	50	10	20	0	20	0	40	30	170
Develop and implement policy requiring health care providers (hospitals, adult congregate care living facilities, nursing homes, etc.) to provide necessary staff support at special needs shelters.	50	10	0	0	20	0	60	20	160
Establish an Emergency Services Working Group.	50	20	20	0	0	0	40	30	160
Identify and deploy typical resource needs prior to a disaster occurring.	50	10	0	0	20	0	60	10	150

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Place an audible warning system at the wastewater treatment plant and potable water sites.	75	10	0	20	0	0	30	10	145
Develop and disseminate a public awareness safety strategy.	50	10	20	0	0	10	40	10	140
Identify major land-based transportation corridors and establish safe zones around those corridors based on the exposure pathway for different chemicals.	50	40	0	0	0	0	40	10	140
Deploy a low-power public radio station.	50	20	0	20	20	0	30	20	140
Establish community emergency response teams.	50	20	0	0	0	5	40	20	135
Establish regional mitigation teams.	50	10	0	0	0	0	30	30	120
Create an emergency management-coordinating group.	50	10	0	0	0	10	30	20	120