

2014 Goals and Objectives

1. Protect Life and Property

- Implement mitigation activities that will assist in protecting lives and property by making homes, businesses, infrastructure, and critical facilities more resistant to natural hazards.
- Continue the Skagit Community Emergency Response Team (C.E.R.T.) Program to provide for and promote individual and family disaster preparedness.
- Encourage homeowners and businesses to purchase insurance coverage for damages caused by natural hazards.
- Encourage homeowners and businesses to take preventative actions in areas that are especially vulnerable to natural hazards.

2. Increase Public Awareness

- Develop and implement additional education and outreach programs to increase public awareness of the risks associated with natural hazards.
- Continue the current flood awareness programs conducted by various jurisdictions as part of the National Flood Insurance Program Community Rating System.

3. Encourage Partnerships

- Strengthen inter-jurisdiction and inter-agency communication and coordination and partnering of jurisdictions and agencies to foster the establishment and implementation of natural hazard mitigation strategies and/or projects designed to benefit multiple jurisdictions.

4. Provide for Emergency Services

- Encourage the establishment of policies to help insure the prioritizing and implementation of mitigation strategies and/or projects designed to benefit critical/essential facilities, services, and infrastructure.
- Where appropriate, coordinate and integrate natural hazard mitigation activities with existing local emergency operations plans.

2020 Proposed Goals and Objectives

Goal 1: Protect life, property, and the natural environment.

Objective 1: Increase mitigation and Tribal emergency management for the Samish Indian Nation through awareness, preparedness, response, planning, and reduction programs.

Objective 2: Enable the Samish Indian Nation to be self-sufficient for at least 14 days after a Disaster or during a significant event.

Objective 3: Relocate structures located in high-risk hazard areas.

Objective 4: Support low-impact mitigation efforts to reduce the impact on the natural environment.

Goal 2: Ensure continuity of critical economic, governmental, and facilities / infrastructure.

Objective 5: Support redundancy of critical government functions, structures, and economic hubs.

Objective 6: Retrofit or build to the highest standards, all critical facilities and infrastructure.

Goal 3: Promote and protect Tribal sovereignty and identity.

Objective 7: Protect culturally and historically significant Tribal sites, places, and materials.

Goal 4: Increase public awareness of natural hazards and involvement in hazards planning.

Objective 8: Encourage partnerships among organizations, businesses, and local governmental agencies within the community.