

Land Use Mitigation Strategies

2009 Strategy Code Original Strategy Number		Specific Mitigation Strategy	Applicable Hazards	Priority (CHECK ONLY ONE)							Responsible Agency or Department (Required if Existing Program, Existing Program under funded, Very High, High, or Under Study)	Ordinance or Resolution # (if existing program), Estimated Cost and Possible Funding Agency (if high priority), Estimated Date of Completion (if study), WHY if not same as regional priority, OR Other Comments	
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LAND - a - Earthquake Hazard Studies for New Private Developments													
a-1	a-1	Enforce and/or comply with the State-mandated requirement that site-specific geologic reports be prepared for development proposals within Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zones, and restrict the placement of structures for human occupancy. (This Act is intended to deal with the specific hazard of active faults that extend to the earth's surface, creating a surface rupture hazard.)	EQ							X		Community Development	
a-2	a-2	Require preparation of site-specific geologic or geotechnical reports for development and redevelopment proposals in areas subject to earthquake-induced landslides or liquefaction as mandated by the State Seismic Hazard Mapping Act in selected portions of the Bay Area where these maps have been completed, and condition project approval on the incorporation of necessary mitigation measures related to site remediation, structure and foundation design, and/or avoidance.	EQ							X		Community Development	
a-3	a-3	Recognizing that some faults may be a hazard for surface rupture, even though they do not meet the strict criteria imposed by the Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Act, identify and require geologic reports in areas adjacent to locally-significant faults.	EQ							X		Community Development	
a-4	new	Ensure that development proposed near faults with a history of complex surface rupture (multiple traces, warping, thrusting, etc.) has larger setbacks than the minimum fifty feet.	EQ							X		Community Development	Site by Site as recommended by geologist/geotech studies
a-5	new	Consider imposing requirements similar to the Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Act for structures without human occupancy if these buildings are still essential for the economic recovery of the community or region.	EQ							X		Community Development	as new permits are needed, this will be considered
a-6	a-4	Recognizing that the California Geological Survey has not completed earthquake-induced landslide and liquefaction mapping for much of the Bay Area, identify and require geologic reports in areas mapped by others as having significant liquefaction or landslide hazards.	EQ							X		Community Development	
a-7	a-5	Support and/or facilitate efforts by the California Geological Survey to complete the earthquake-induced landslide and liquefaction mapping for the Bay Area.	EQ							X		Community Development	

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a-8	a-6	Require that local government reviews of geologic and engineering studies are conducted by appropriately trained and credentialed personnel.	EQ							X		Community Development	
LAND - b - Wildland and Structural Fires													
b-1	b-1	Review new development proposals to ensure that they incorporate required and appropriate fire-mitigation measures, including adequate provisions for occupant evacuation and access by emergency response personnel and equipment.	WF							X		Fire Dept.	
b-2	b-2	Develop a clear legislative and regulatory framework at both the state and local levels to manage the wildland-urban-interface consistent with <i>Fire Wise</i> and sustainable community principles.	WF							X		Fire Dept.	weed abatement program-underfunded
LAND - c - Flooding													
c-1	c-1	Establish and enforce requirements for new development so that site-specific designs and source-control techniques are used to manage peak stormwater runoff flows and impacts from increased runoff volumes.	FL							X		Community Development	SCWA does the hydraulic check for new construction.
c-2	c-2	Incorporate FEMA guidelines and suggested activities into local government plans and procedures for managing flood hazards.	FL							X		Community Development	SCWA does the hydraulic check for new construction.
c-3	c-3	Provide an institutional mechanism to ensure that development proposals adjacent to floodways and in floodplains are referred to flood control districts and wastewater agencies for review and comment (consistent with the NPDES program).	FL							X		Community Development & SCWA	SCWA does the hydraulic check for new construction.
c-4	c-4	Establish and enforce regulations concerning new construction (and major improvements to existing structures) within flood zones in order to be in compliance with federal requirements and, thus, be a participant in the Community Rating System of the <i>National Flood Insurance Program</i> .	FL							X		Community Development, Sonoma County Water Agency	SCWA does the hydraulic check for new construction.
c-5	new	Encourage new development near floodways to incorporate a buffer zone or setback from that floodway to allow for changes in stormwater flows in the watershed over time.	FL							X		Community Development	as development occurs CC Ordinance 3677
c-6	new	For purposes of creating an improved hazard mitigation plan for the region as a whole, ABAG, and Bay Area cities and counties, jointly request geographically defined repetitive flooding loss data from FEMA for their own jurisdictions.	FL							X		Community Development	not much flooding loss in the City

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LAND - d - Landslides and Erosion													
d-1	d-1	Establish and enforce provisions (under subdivision ordinances or other means) that geotechnical and soil-hazard investigations be conducted and filed to prevent grading from creating unstable slopes, and that any necessary corrective actions be taken prior to development approval.	LS							X		Community Development	
d-2	d-2	Require that local government reviews of these investigations are conducted by appropriately trained and credentialed personnel.	LS							X		Community Development	
d-3	d-3	Establish and enforce grading, erosion, and sedimentation ordinances by requiring, under certain conditions, grading permits and plans to control erosion and sedimentation prior to development approval.	LS							X		Community Development	
d-4	d-4	Establish and enforce provisions under the creek protection, storm water management, and discharge control ordinances designed to control erosion and sedimentation.	LS							X		Community Development & Public Works	
d-5	d-5	Establish requirements in zoning ordinances to address hillside development constraints, especially in areas of existing landslides.	LS							X		Community Development	
LAND - e - Hillside - Multi-Hazard													
e-1	e-1	For new development, require a buffer zone between residential properties and landslide or wildfire hazard areas.	LS WF							X		Community Development & Fire Dept.	Through normal building permit process
e-2	e-2	Discourage, add additional mitigation strategies, or prevent new construction or major remodels on slopes greater than a set percentage, such as 15%, due to landslide or wildfire hazard concerns.	LS WF							X		Community Development & Fire Dept.	Hillside Grading Ordinance
LAND - f - Smart Growth to Revitalize Urban Areas and Promote Sustainability													
f-1	f-1	Prioritize retrofit of infrastructure that serves urban areas (or urban services areas) over constructing new infrastructure to serve outlying areas.	EQ LS WF FL DR SEC									Public Works & Utilities	
f-2	f-2	Work to retrofit homes in older urban neighborhoods to provide safe housing close to job centers.	EQ LS WF FL DR SEC							X		Economic Development & Housing	This program is not currently doing anything do to lack of funding

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f-3	f-3	Work to retrofit older downtown areas and redevelopment districts to protect architectural diversity and promote disaster-resistance.	EQ LS WF FL SEC								X		Community Development, City Manager	
f-4	f-4	Work with non-profits and through other mechanisms to protect as open space areas susceptible to extreme hazards (such as through land acquisition, zoning, and designation as priority conservation areas).	EQ LS WF FL SEC								X		Community Development	not much construction being proposed on areas susceptible to extreme hazards
f-5	f-5	Strive to provide preserve existing buffers between development and existing users of large amounts of hazardous materials, such as major industry, due to the potential for catastrophic releases or fires due to an earthquakes, accidents , or terrorism. (Flooding might also result in release or spread of these materials, however it is unlikely.) In areas where buffers do not exist or cannot be created, provide alternative mitigation.	EQ LS WF FL SEC								X		Community Development	through zoning code
LAND - g - Hazard Abatement Districts														
g-1	new	Use hazard abatement districts as a funding mechanism to ensure that mitigation strategies are implemented and enforced over time.	EQ LS WF FL								X		Community Development	