

# HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

# NOBLE COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY







#### **LOCATION**

Noble County, Ohio

#### **TASKS**

Hazard mitigation plan development
Sustainability and resiliency integration
Public & stakeholder involvement
Risk assessments & vulnerability analyses
Hazus modeling
Mitigation strategies

## **HIGHLIGHTS**

Addressed natural & human-made hazards

Developed mitigation actions to reduce hazard impacts

Created a website for updates, meeting notices, and comments

Facilitated public and stakeholder meetings

### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Under the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, local jurisdictions must have a disaster mitigation plan in effect to receive funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for pre-disaster mitigation activities. For this project, BPS prepared the update to the Noble County Hazard Mitigation Plan with the purpose of identifying and assessing the hazards that pose the greatest risk to Noble County and its communities.

BPS completed an existing conditions assessment of Noble County, including demographics as well as historic hazard events. BPS also assessed risk by each hazard. Vulnerability assessments were conducted to determine each hazard's potential impact to infrastructure, population, and property, and estimate the economic losses that could result from a hazard event

Additionally, the BPS team collected GIS mapping data and performed a Level 1 Hazus analysis; facilitated in-person stakeholder and public engagement activities; collected mitigation action recommendations; and developed corresponding mitigation strategies to reduce losses from those hazards. The final plan established a coordinated process to implement the plan and was reviewed and approved by the Ohio and Federal Emergency Management Agencies.