The risk assessment identifies the county is most susceptible to flooding, hurricane/tropical storm, storm surge, drought, and thunderstorm/wind events. The county and its associated municipality evaluate their comprehensive plans and land development regulations for modifications to improve mitigation measures, with special emphasis on these occurrences. The Bradford County Sheriff's Office Emergency Management Division continues to improve its recordkeeping with regards to natural disasters.

The Building, Zoning & Planning Department continues to maintain a list of repetitive loss structures and properties. The county, with the assistance of other related agencies, implements a public education campaign regarding construction within floodable areas, the use of Firewise construction and landscaping practices, the use of burn bans, emergency water conservation regulations, as well as minimum housing codes with regards to minimum building standards.

Implementation of the Mitigation Projects

All mitigation projects or initiatives were carefully reviewed, analyzed, and revised according to the list of mitigation projects that were developed and updated in the 2021 LMS Plan. Attachment I contains the list of all mitigation projects for the identified hazards with detailed specifics.

The Bradford County LMS project or strategy list includes actions that address the reduction of hazards on new as well as existing buildings and infrastructure, and will provide updated project status over the last 5 years, if the project was completed, deferred, deleted or if any new projects that have been added as a result of a hazard event.

Prioritization Process

The LMS Working Group developed an initial list of mitigation projects or initiatives. Each mitigation project or initiative identified for funding will be cost-effective, technically feasible, contribute to the overall strategy outlined in the Local Mitigation Strategy, and be acceptable to regulatory agencies. The prioritization process for the mitigation projects was accomplished in a LMS meeting between the County LMS Working Group and officials from the respective local governments.

The projects or initiatives are then prioritized utilizing the prioritization criteria outlined below. The LMS Working Group may evaluate these criteria annually, recommending changes