

Draft Safety Element Review Guide for North Fair Oaks

North Fair Oaks Hazards

Below are the hazards with potential to impact North Fair Oaks. To learn more about one of these hazards, please visit the matching Safety Element section. To search the Safety Element for policies and actions related to a hazard, hold down the ctrl + F keys, and use the search bar to search for these terms. Each Safety Element policy lists the relevant hazards in a green box.

Hazards of Concern for the North Fair Oaks



Extreme Heat



Seismic Hazards
(Earthquakes &
Liquefaction)



Flooding



Severe Weather



Sea Level Rise
(Emergent
Groundwater)



Fire Hazards
(Urban Fires &
Wildfire Smoke)

Key Findings from Outreach

These are the key findings from the North Fair Oaks Safety Element Workshops:

- Improve **communication and coordination** regarding **emergency preparedness**, hazard mitigation, and available resources.
- Concerns about slow **emergency response times**.
- Need for **flood** assessment and mitigation to address lack of proper drainage systems.

- Community faces risks from **extreme heat** and needs a Heat Action Plan and cooling centers.
- Need to reduce risks from **fire and smoke / air pollution**.
- Concerns about **housing conditions**, including lack of air conditioning.
- Risks disproportionately affect **vulnerable populations** like the elderly, disabled, monolingual Spanish speakers and low-income residents.

Policies Relevant to North Fair Oaks

Below are policy numbers and titles that relate to the main areas of concern highlighted during the North Fair Oaks Safety Element Workshops. For further details, please review the full policy and corresponding actions in the Safety Element.

Emergency Communication & Educational Outreach

- Policy SE 2.1 Public Education on Hazards
- Policy SE 2.2 Emergency Alert Systems
- Policy SE 2.4 Promotion of Efficiency and Resiliency Programs
- Policy SE 3.2 Emergency Response Access
- Policy SE 5.4 Emergency Operations Plan
- Policy SE 5.8 Coordination of Emergency Services

Emergency Response

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Flooding

- Policy SE 1.1 Maintaining a Natural Hazards Information Base
- Policy SE 1.4 Hazardous Material Monitoring in Hazard-Prone Areas
- Policy SE 1.5 Groundwater Monitoring Network
- Policy SE 3.18 Increase Permeable Surface
- Policy SE 4.6 Storm Drain Retrofits and Maintenance
- Policy SE 5.18 Flood Insurance Adoption
- Policy SE 5.22 Multijurisdictional Flood Resilience Collaboration
- Policy SE 5.24 Collaboration with Local Community

Extreme Heat

- Policy SE 3.27 Extreme Heat Mitigation Requirements for Private Development
- Policy SE 3.28 Indoor Temperature Threshold

- Policy SE 4.2 Public Facilities and Infrastructure Retrofits
- Policy SE 4.9 Shade Cover in Public and Private Spaces
- Policy SE 5.10 Mobile Resilience Resources
- Policy SE 5.33 Coordinating Heat Resilience Strategies
- Policy 5.34 Urban Tree Canopy

Wildfire Smoke / Air Quality

- Policy SE 3.26 Improved Air Quality in New Development
- Policy SE 4.2 Public Facilities and Infrastructure Retrofits
- Policy SE 5.32 Clean Air Facilities
- Policy SE 5.36 Regional Coordination for Improved Air Quality
- Policy SE 5.36 Environmental Justice and Capital Improvement Projects
- Policy SE 5.38 Clean Air Filtration Program

Housing Conditions

- Policy SE 2.4 Promotion of Efficiency and Resiliency Programs
- Policy SE 3.28 Indoor Temperature Threshold
- Policy SE 5.16 Home-Hardening Assistance
- Policy SE 5.17 Property Insurance
- Additional policies will be included in the upcoming Environmental Justice Element

Vulnerable Populations

- Policy SE 2.1 Public Education on Hazards
- Policy SE 2.2 Emergency Alert Systems
- Policy SE 2.4 Promotion of Efficiency and Resiliency Programs
- Policy SE 3.3 Safe Siting of Development
- Policy SE 5.3 Coordination for Effective Evacuations
- Policy SE 5.32 Clean Air Facilities
- Policy SE 5.37 Environmental Justice and Capital Improvement Projects
- Policy SE 5.38 Clean Air Filtration Program