Pennsylvania’s Gateway to Resiliency

Over 2,200 miles of stream traverse Lycoming County, more than any other county in Pennsylvania. Major flood-prone areas include communities located in low-lying valleys of major streams and river tributaries. Unless protected by a dike or levee, most population concentrations along the Susquehanna River or one of its major tributary streams have a high possibility of flooding.

There are three widely-recognized, long-lasting strategies for flood-impacted communities to consider:

- Construction of a flood protection levee (not possible in this area)
- Acquisition of flood-prone properties and removal or relocation of the associated residences (buyouts)
- Remediation-in-place of residences (elevation, retrofit, rehabilitation)

The Floodplain Housing Remediation Program will focus on homes and communities where buyouts and flood-protection levees do not meet a benefit-cost ratio.

Lycoming County has funding available through this project for:

1) Basement-Fills/Evacuations:
   - Retain the residential structure and associated tax base contribution
   - Reduce risk of structural foundation damage from future flooding
   - Raise the height of first enclosed floor—resulting in National Flood Insurance Flood Program (NFIP) insurance premium reduction
   - Help homeowners minimize the nuisance of flood-related cleanup of their home
   - Help to stabilize the market value of the house

2) Structural Property Elevations:
   - Result in highest level of NFIP insurance premium reduction
   - Most expensive mitigation approach—reduces the total number of homeowners assisted

Program Eligibility

Funding is currently available for residential homeowners, including landlords. Properties must be classified as primary residences. A primary residence is defined as having full-time occupancy at least 50% of the year. Income guidelines also apply.

Application Submittal

Applications can be completed at the Muncy Borough Council Building (14 N. Washington St, Muncy) Monday May 8th through Wednesday May 10th 5:00pm to 6:30 pm.

Income Verification will be determined by tax returns done at intake. Please bring a copy of the 2016 tax returns for all members of the household. Projects will be at no cost to eligible homeowners.

Homeowners interested in a buyout are encouraged to complete a Hazard Opportunity form at www.lyco.org.

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