In 2006, the District completed its first multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP). As a result of the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, HMPs are now required in order to be eligible for grant funding from FEMA through the Hazard Mitigation Assistance program. This District frequently utilizes these programs for projects such as floodplain structure acquisitions. Several other communities within the District have also utilized the programs to complete projects such as acquisitions, channel improvements, and power generators for critical facilities.

FEMA requires that the plan be updated every five years. The plan was last updated in 2011. In June 2014, the District successfully applied for a Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant to begin work on updating the plan. A professional services contract with JEO Consulting Group was approved to begin the update of the plan, which must be completed in 2016.

After the public input period in January 2016, the plan was finalized and submitted to Nebraska Emergency Management Agency in February. The draft plan was submitted to FEMA on May 5, 2016. FEMA approved the plan after the first review on June 2, 2016.

The approved plan can be viewed in its entirety at www.jeo.com/papiohmp.

As part of the process to be included in the plan, each community must adopt the following resolution to participate:

"WHEREAS the governing body of the Papio Missouri River Natural Resources District recognizes the threat that natural hazards pose to people and property within the District; and
WHEREAS the Papio Missouri River Natural Resources District has prepared a multi-hazard, multi-jurisdictional hazard mitigation plan, hereby known as the 2016 Papio Missouri River Natural Resources District Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan in accordance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000; and

WHEREAS the Papio Missouri River Natural Resources District Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan identifies mitigation goals and actions to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and property in Papio Missouri River Natural Resources District from the impacts of future hazards and disasters; and

WHEREAS adoption by the governing body of Papio Missouri River Natural Resources District demonstrates their commitment to the mitigation of hazards and achieving the goals outlined in the 2016 Papio Missouri River Natural Resources District Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, the governing body of Papio Missouri River Natural Resources District, does herewith adopt the 2016 Papio Missouri River Natural Resources District Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update in its entirety"