

This list is a compilation of resources that can help with community recovery. Since hazard mitigation is an important part of recovery, this list also includes numerous mitigation resources. Pre-disaster recovery planning resources are also included. While not timely, they may still offer some useful information. This list focuses on community-level recovery from coastal storms such as Superstorm Sandy with an emphasis on activities in which coastal managers are likely to be engaged. It is a working document and is still being added to and refined. Updates will be provided as appropriate.

Lessons Learned and Best Practices for Community Recovery

Disaster Recovery

[Recovery Lessons Learned & Information Sharing](#)

[Lessons in Community Recovery: Seven Years of Emergency Support Function #14 Long-Term Community Recovery From 2004 to 2011](#)

[Implementing Floodplain Land Acquisition Programs in Urban Localities](#)

[Long-Term Community Recovery Toolbox](#)

[Rebuilding for a More Sustainable Future](#)

[Holistic Disaster Recovery](#)

[Ten Principles for Coastal Development](#)

[Coastal and Waterfront Smart Growth Website](#)

[Building Community Disaster Resilience through Private-Public Collaboration](#)

[Build Back Safer and Smarter](#)

[Managing for Long-Term Community Recovery in the Aftermath of Disaster](#) (Book –available for purchase ~\$40)

Examples and Case Studies:

[Mississippi Coastal Improvements Program](#)

[Community Recovery Plans and Reports](#) (non-coastal)

Other Useful Resources

[Restore Your Economy.org](#)

Hazard Mitigation

General

[No Adverse Impact](#) (see coastal version)

[A Guide for Higher Standards in Floodplain Management](#)

[2012 Community Rating System Coordinator's Manual Website](#)

[CRS Credit for Higher Regulatory Standards](#)

[Higher Regulatory Standards](#)

[Storm Smart Coasts: Mitigation](#)

[Storm Smart Coasts: Regulations and Standards](#)

[Louisiana Coastal Mitigation Handbook](#)

[Planning a Sustainable Future](#)

[National Nonstructural Flood Proofing Committee Publications](#)

[Model Bylaw for Effectively Managing Coastal Floodplain Development](#)
[Protecting Our Communities: Land Use Planning Strategies and Best Development Practices for Minimizing Vulnerability to Flooding and Coastal Storms](#)—see Section 5 (Florida)
[Tools and Techniques: An Encyclopedia of Strategies to Mitigate the Impacts of Natural Hazards](#) (North Carolina)
[Protecting Coastal Investments: Examples of Regulations for Wisconsin’s Coastal Communities](#)
[New Jersey Sea Grant College Program Manual for Coastal Hazard Mitigation](#)

Construction/Retrofitting

[Coastal Construction Resources](#)
[Design Guide for Improving Critical Facility Safety from Flooding and High Winds: Providing Protection to People and Buildings](#)
[Selecting Appropriate Mitigation Measures for Floodprone Structures](#)
[Natural Hazards and Sustainability for Residential Buildings](#)
[Green Building and Climate Resilience](#)
[Disaster Mitigation for Historic Structures: Protection Strategies](#) (Florida)
[Floodplain Management Bulletin: Historic Structures](#)

Shoreline Management

[Shoreline Management Technical Assistance Toolbox](#)
[Engineering with Nature: Alternative Techniques to Riprap Bank Stabilization](#)
[Living Shorelines](#)
[Shoreline Management Decision Trees](#)
[Rolling Easements](#)
[Mitigating Shore Erosion along Sheltered Coasts](#)
[Beach Nourishment and Protection](#)

Natural Resource Protection

[Coastal Dune Protection and Restoration](#)
[An Introduction and User’s Guide to Wetland Restoration, Creation, and Enhancement, Interagency Workgroup on Wetland Restoration](#)
[Planner’s Guide to Wetland Buffers for Local Governments](#)
[Synthesis of Adaptation Options for Coastal Areas](#)
[Climate Ready Estuaries Coastal Toolkit](#)
[Harnessing Nature: The Ecosystem Approach to Climate Change Preparedness](#)
[Restore-Adapt-Mitigate: Responding to Climate Change through Coastal Habitat Restoration](#)

Green Infrastructure

[EPA Green Infrastructure Website](#)
[The Value of Green Infrastructure for Urban Climate Adaptation](#)

Examples and Case Studies:

[FEMA’s Best Practices Portfolio](#)
[Mitigation Best Practices](#)
[Natural Hazard Mitigation Association Best Practices](#)
[FEMA’s Mitigation Assessment Team Reports](#)

[Evaluation of CRS Credited Activities During Hurricane Floyd](#)
[The Role of Land Use in Adaptation to Increased Precipitation and Flooding: A Case Study in Wisconsin's Lower Fox River Basin](#)
[Hurricane Ike: Nature's Force vs. Structural Strength](#)
[Hazard Mitigation in North Carolina: Measuring Success](#)
[Michigan Hazard Mitigation Success Stories](#)

Other Useful Resources

[A Comparative Look at Public Liability for Flood Hazard Mitigation](#)
[Value of Coastal Wetlands for Hurricane Protection](#)
[FEMA's Benefit-Cost Analysis Tool](#)
[FEMA's Plan, Prepare, and Mitigate Web Pages](#)
[State and Local Governments Plan for Development of Most Land Vulnerable to Rising Sea Level along the US Atlantic Coast](#)
[DHS's High Performance and Integrated Design Resilience Program](#)

Pre-Disaster Recovery Planning

[State Disaster Recovery Planning Guide](#)
[Long-Term Community Recovery Planning Process: A Self-Help Guide](#)
Planning for Post-Disaster Recovery and Reconstruction (undergoing update)
[Partial](#) (free)
[Full](#) (Book – available for \$15)
[Post-Disaster Redevelopment Planning: A Guide for Florida Communities](#)
[Planning for Post-Disaster Recovery](#) (Book – available for purchase ~\$50)

Examples and Case Studies:

[Post-Disaster Redevelopment Planning](#) (Florida)
[Post-Disaster Redevelopment Planning: Addressing Sea Level Rise during Long-Term Recovery](#)
[Post-Disaster Recovery Planning for Catastrophic Disasters](#) (Oregon)