TOWN OF HAMILTON MITIGATION-RELATED POLICY STATEMENTS AND CITATIONS

POLICY TYPE AND	CITATION	MITIGATION-RELATED
APPLICATION TO HAZARD		POLICY STATEMENT
1994 COMPREHENSIVE	Major	Redevelop the Town north of SR 20 on land
PLAN Flooding	Findings	that is not in the Floodway or Floodplain. 310
Flooding		acres, or 50% of the Town is located in the
		Floodway and 100-year Floodplain.
		Encourage the continued purchase, relocation,
		or elevation of eligible buildings through FEMA
		Section 1362 Acquisition of Flood Damaged
		Properties Program, and convert the land to open
1004 1000 CADITAI	Major	 space, recreation and park areas. ➢ Construct new well and storage tank outside the
1994, 1999 CAPITAL FACILITIES PLAN	Findings	floodway; establish well-head protection program
FACILITIES I LAN	Thungs	(completed in 2003)
Flooding		 Completed in 2005) Construct new fire hall outside floodway
Severe Storm		(completed in 1999)
Earthquake		 To provide needed public facilities to all
Lannquake		residents within Hamilton in a manner which
		protects investments in existing facilities, and
		maximizes the use of existing facilities, and
		promotes orderly compact urban growth.
	Major	 Level of Service should be at a minimum of
1994 COMPREHENSIVE	Findings	C.The transportation plan is designed to ensure
PLAN and 1999	8	the continued ability of the transportation
COMPREHENSIVE WATER		system to function at a reasonable level of
SYSTEM PLAN		service throughout the urban service area and
Flooding		coordinate the links to the regional
Earthquake		transportation system along SR 20.
Severe Storm		
Fire		➤ The Town of Hamilton Water System Supply
		Plan Update is hereby adopted by reference, as
		may be further amended.
		The area is currently served by the Town of
		Hamilton Fire Department Service is currently
		made up of volunteers.
2003 COMPREHENSIVE	In Process	► Use innovative land use techniques include
PLAN UPDATE		Transfer or Purchase of Development Rights
Flooding		and establishing a coordinated redevelopment
		plan to move housing and business out of the
		Floodway.

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1994 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN Steep Slopes Flooding Earthquake Severe Storm	Goal LU6	To improve, enhance, and protect the quality and quantity of surface and ground water.
1994 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN Fire Land Movement Flooding	GOAL LU8 AND POLICY LU8.2	 Protect and conserve forest land, agricultural land, mineral resources, and critical areas as defined under the Growth Management Act. Conversion of designated forest lands to non forest designations and of Industrial Forest lands to Secondary Forest lands will be strongly discouraged through clearly defined land use regulations.
1994 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN Flooding	Policy H3.6	Measures should be taken to economically and effectively protect existing housing stock from flood damage through various techniques including the relocation, elevation and sealing of buildings. Other forms of protection that should be promoted include levees and flood walls.
2002 CRITICAL AREAS ORDINANCE Land Movement Earthquake		 Provide adequate erosion and sedimentation control during construction and additional construction practices, methods and requirements, including but not limited to best management practices and limitations on construction equipment permitted on the site, to protect critical areas on the site, on adjacent sites and within the drainage basin. All grading in critical areas shall be stabilized by October 31st unless demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Town based on approved technical analysis that no environmental harm or safety issues would result from grading between November 1st and March 31st. Provide protection of steep slopes according to standards in the Critical Areas Ordinance.

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CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT	Level of	➤ Urban Level of Service Standards are established
PLAN	Service	to ensure protection of public health, safety and
• Fire, Earthquake, Severe	Standards and	welfare by meeting relevant standards
Storms	Individual	➤ Six-year list of projects including specific actions
	Department	targeted towards natural hazard mitigation
	Submittals	targeted towards natural nazard mitigation
1997 UNIFORM BUILDING	Seismic and	► Seismic Zone 3
CODE	Wind Loads,	► Wind Exposure C
• Earthquake, Severe Storm,	Construction	L
Fire, Landslide	Standards	 Fire Resistive Construction Standards
		➤ Grading Standards
1997 UNIFORM FIRE	Fire protection	► Fire flow
CODE	and building	Annual Inspection of Commercial Structures
• Fire	maintenance	Annual inspection of Commercial Structures
	standards	► Plan Review

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2002 CRITICAL AREAS	Section	➤ Frequently flooded areas; It is the purpose of this
CODE AND ORDINANCE 188 FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION • Flooding Land Movement	15.15.020 Application- Purpose	Chapter to promote the public health, safety, and general welfare, and to minimize public and private losses due to flood conditions in the floodplain and the floodway according to the provisions established under this code;
		➤ Geologically hazardous areas; Geologically hazardous areas include areas susceptible to the effects of erosion, sliding, earthquake, or other geologic events. They pose a threat to the health and safety of citizens when incompatible residential, commercial, industrial, or infrastructure development is sited in areas of a hazard. Geologic hazards pose a risk to life, property, and resources when steep slopes are destabilized by inappropriate activities and development or when structures or facilities are sited in areas susceptible to natural or human caused geologic events. Some geologic hazards can be reduced or mitigated by engineering, design, or modified construction practices so that risks to health and safety are acceptable. When technology cannot reduce risks to acceptable levels, building and other construction within identified geologically hazardous areas shall be prohibited.
 ZONING CODE Flood, Fire, Landslide, Earthquake 	Section 17.03.020 Purpose	 The purpose of this title is to implement the Town of Hamilton's comprehensive plan. This title will be used to further the growth and development of the Town of Hamilton consistent with the adopted comprehensive plan and its implementing elements. This title will also further the purpose of promoting the health, safety, morals, convenience, comfort, prosperity, and general welfare of the city's population. The specific zones and regulations herein are designed to facilitate adequate provisions of utilities, schools, parks and housing with essential light, air, privacy, and open space; to lessen congestion on streets and facilitate the safe movement of traffic thereon; to stabilize and enhance property values; to prevent the overcrowding of land; to facilitate adequate

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continued from previous page		provisions for doing public and private business and thereby safeguard the community's economic structure upon which the prosperity and welfare of all depends and through such achievements help ensure the safety and security of home life, foster good citizenship, create and preserve a more healthful, serviceable and attractive municipality and environment in which to live.
		➤ To most effectively accomplish these purposes, this title divides the city into zones wherein the location, height and use of buildings, the use of land, the size of yards and other open space, and the provision of off-street parking and loading are regulated and restricted in accordance with the comprehensive plan for the Town of Hamilton. These zones and regulations are hereby deemed necessary and are made with reasonable consideration, among other things, as to the character of each zone and its particular suitability for specific uses, the need for such uses, the common rights and interests of all within the zone as well as those of the general public, and with the view of conserving and encouraging the most appropriate use of land throughout the town.