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The *Sauk County Hazard Mitigation Plan: 2025-2029* consists of seven chapters. The first chapter provides an overview of the project. The second chapter presents background information about Sauk County including its setting, demographic and economic characteristics, climate, natural resources, land use, and development trends. Chapter 3 presents background information related to special needs populations and groups in the county. Chapter 4 contains a complete inventory of critical facilities in the county. Natural hazards and manmade hazards are identified and reviewed in Chapters 5 and 6, respectively. In Chapter 7, goals, objectives, and policies are identified that will help to craft appropriate solutions to the identified problems. A range of activities are also presented to help foster hazard mitigation efforts. Most of the maps in the plan are included in Appendix A.

Sauk County initially adopted a multi-jurisdictional plan in 2006 and updated the plan in 2011 and 2018. This most recent version is intended to guide mitigation efforts in Sauk County during the five-year period from 2025 through 2029.