

COMMUNITY RATING SYSTEM ANNUAL RECERTIFICATION

**CRS Activity 510  
Annual Progress Report on Implementation of Credited Plan**

**Which Plan is this for (use separate templates for each credited Plan):**

- Floodplain Management Plan (Hazard Mitigation Plan)**
- Repetitive Loss Area Analysis**
- Floodplain Species Plan**
- Substantial Damage Plan**

Name of Community: **City of Winter Springs**

Date this Annual Progress Report was prepared (not the date of adoption of the credited Plan): **April 25, 2024**

Name of Plan: **Seminole County Floodplain Management Plan (2020-2025)**

Date of Adoption of Plan: **August 9, 2021**

*5 Year CRS Expiration Date: 2025*

1. How can a copy of the credited Plan be obtained:

A copy of the original 193-page "Floodplain Management Plan for Seminole County and its Municipalities" can be obtained by contacting the City of Winter Springs Floodplain Administrator or by visiting the City of Winter Springs' Website at: <https://www.winterspringsfl.org/publicworks/page/flood-prevention-and-preparedness>

2. Describe how **this annual progress report** (not the credited Plan) was prepared and how it was submitted to the governing body, released to the media, and made available to the public:

City of Winter Springs staff met to discuss and evaluate the action items of the Floodplain Management Plan during the 2023-2024 reporting period. Various City staff members provided feedback on their respective action items. This annual progress report was submitted to members of the City Commission via e-mail, and released to the City's public information officer for release to the public via uploading onto the City's website. Copies of this report are also available at the City of Winter Springs' City Hall located at 1126 East State Road 434, Winter Springs, Florida 32708.

3. Provide a description of the implementation of each recommendation or action item in the action plan or area analysis report, including a statement on how the project was implemented or not implemented during the previous year:

## Goal 1 – City’s Floodplain Management Implementation Activities (Annual Basis)

### Objective 1.1 – Continue to maintain the City’s CRS Class 6

The City continues to implement the steps and procedures required to maintain the City’s Class 6 designation. This is an ongoing item that will continue throughout the duration of the certification. The only costs associated with this objective is staff time and resources. This will benefit City’s residents by continuing to spread awareness about Special Flood Hazard Areas and providing cost savings through insurance discounts.

### Objective 1.2 – Continue to provide accessible flood protection information and public outreach

The City continues to provide flood protection information and resources to current and prospective residents and business owners. Information is available at City Hall, the City’s website, and by contacting the City’s CRS coordinator. This an ongoing item that will continue throughout the duration of the certification. The City will modify the availability of these items as current accessibility requirements adapt. The costs associated with this objective are minimal and only requires staff time and resources.

### Objective 1.3 – Continue to preserve open space areas

The City of Winter Springs defines open space and conservation areas within the City’s Future Land Use Maps, Recreation and Open Space Element and Conservation Element of the City’s Comprehensive Plan. The City continues to preserve these areas to the greatest extent possible during planning and land development review. The City reviews these areas on a regular basis and the costs associated are minimal to the City.

### Objective 1.4 – Continue to enforce flood management provisions

The City enforces flood management provisions through permit and land development review. The City’s flood management provisions are more restrictive than the current FEMA minimums, which has likely resulted in a lessen impact to structures within Special Flood Hazard Areas. The City will continue to enforce flood management provisions. The cost associated with this objective is minimal to the City and is part of standard permit review.

### Objective 1.5 – Continue to provide the inspection and maintenance of the drainage infrastructure and system

The City performs routine inspections and maintenance activities on all publicly owned infrastructure as part of the City’s National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System permit. This includes the periodic inspections and maintenance on critical City outfalls, piping, inlets, weirs, etc. This is an ongoing item and the City typically exceeds the State minimums for inspections. Not including staff wages, the City typically spends about \$250,000 between maintenance and capital improvements on the drainage infrastructure and system.

Goal 2 – Work in conjunction with the county, the cities and other local governments to create and support floodplain management throughout the county

Objective 2.1 – Participate in the countywide Floodplain Management Plan and associated Floodplain Management Team working group

The City continues to work with both the county and surrounding cities in a collaborative effort to help support floodplain management in Seminole County and its associated cities. This is an ongoing item that has minimal costs to the City.

Objective 2.2 – Coordinate with the County and other local government agencies to develop and administer outreach programs by business, industry, institutions, and community groups.

The City continues to work with the County and local agencies to participate in the various outreach programs led by the County. This is an ongoing item with minimal costs to the City.

4. Discuss why any objectives were not reached or why implementation is behind schedule:

All of the objectives identified previously are being met annually by the City of Winter Springs. The City is an active participant of floodplain management implementation efforts to be better prepared for future flooding conditions within City limits.

5. What are the recommendations for new projects or revised recommendations?

New projects are required to comply with the City's flood management provisions through proper permitting and a strict land development review. If new projects are not compliant with the City's floodplain management regulations, the proposed development is not approved for implementation.



# Floodplain Management Plan

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