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**Hamlin County Pre-Disaster Mitigation Planning Meeting
To be held on January 24, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.**

Over the course of the next several months, the Hamlin County Pre-Disaster Mitigation Team consisting of representatives from Hamlin County, and municipalities within Hamlin County, will meet to facilitate the update of the Hamlin County Pre-disaster Mitigation (PDM) Plan. The updated Plan is required for Hamlin County, and municipalities within the county to remain eligible for Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Hazard Mitigation Grant Program funding.

Hamlin County will hold a meeting to receive public input Wednesday, January 24, 2024 at 5:30 PM at the Hamlin County 4-H Building in Hayti, SD. At this meeting, the committee will discuss the need for the updated Plan, review representatives' roles and responsibilities throughout the planning process, and assess community hazards.

Individuals with interest regarding the topics being discussed are encouraged to attend and provide feedback on potential pre-disaster hazard mitigation projects. For more information, please contact Todd Kays or Luke Muller with the FDALG at 605-882-5115 or Brett Schutt, Hamlin County Emergency Management Director at 605-783-7831 or visit <https://association.1stdistrict.org/pdmplans/>