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### Describe the jurisdiction’s increased natural hazard risks associated with climate change.

Hazard mitigation in San Bernardino County is conducted through the San Bernardino County Office of Emergency Management. The County’s most recent Hazard Mitigation Plan was updated in 2022 and identifies sixteen possible hazards, seven of which are natural hazards that are deemed moderate to high risk and are relevant to this section of the Consolidated Plan:

- Wildfire
- Flood
- Earthquake
- Drought
- Climate Change
- Extreme Heat
- Landslide

To mitigate environmental hazards in the county, the plan identifies a variety of techniques focused primarily on prevention, emergency services, and public education and awareness.

### Describe the vulnerability to these risks of housing occupied by low- and moderate-income households based on an analysis of data, findings, and methods.

In its September 2021 report “Climate Change and Social Vulnerability in the United States,” the US EPA identifies low-income earners, minorities, elderly adults, and persons with less than a high school diploma as “socially vulnerable.” Socially vulnerable persons are described as having a reduced capacity to “cope with and recover from climate change impacts”, and socially vulnerable groups are described as more likely to live in poorer neighborhoods with lower elevations and poorly maintained infrastructure. The 2019-2023 ACS estimates that over 250,000 people in San Bernardino County are living below the poverty line<sup>12</sup>. Additionally, mobile home residents, who are more likely to be low-income, are especially vulnerable to climate related hazards. The 2019-2023 ACS estimates that there are approximately 36,181 households living in mobile homes or other similar types of homes in San Bernardino County<sup>13</sup>.

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<sup>12</sup> ACS 5-Year Estimates 2019-2023, Table S1701

<sup>13</sup> ACS 5-Year Estimates 2019-2023, Table S2504











































































































































































































































































































































