

2021 Supplement for
Guide to Land Use Planning for South Carolina, 2017 Edition

Please insert between pages 14 and 15

10. Resiliency element. Act No. 163 of 2020 added a new required element to county comprehensive plans. The new resiliency element (10) requires jurisdictions to consider the potential impacts of flooding or other natural hazards on citizens and the community. This element should be considered in coordination with the relevant jurisdictions adjacent to the county (i.e., municipalities and SPDs.) Counties should begin examining the flood potential or natural hazards and must incorporate resiliency planning in the next 5 or 10-year comprehensive plan review.

SECTION 6-29-510. Planning process; elements; comprehensive plan.

(10) a resiliency element that considers the impacts of flooding, high water, and natural hazards on individuals, communities, institutions, businesses, economic development, public infrastructure and facilities, and public health, safety and welfare. This element includes an inventory of existing resiliency conditions, promotes resilient planning, design and development, and is coordinated with adjacent and relevant jurisdictions and agencies. For the purposes of this item, "adjacent and relevant jurisdictions and agencies" means those counties, municipalities, public service districts, school districts, public and private utilities, transportation agencies, and other public entities that are affected by or have planning authority over the public project. For the purposes of this item, "coordination" means written notification by the local planning commission or its staff to adjacent and relevant jurisdictions and agencies of the proposed projects and the opportunity for adjacent and relevant jurisdictions and agencies to provide comment to the planning commission or its staff concerning the proposed projects. Failure of the planning commission or its staff to identify or notify an adjacent or relevant jurisdiction or agency does not invalidate the local comprehensive plan and does not give rise to a civil cause of action. This element shall be developed in coordination with all preceding elements and integrated into the goals and strategies of each of the