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### Media Release

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**From:** Cecilia Patella, Emergency Management Director  
**Re:** Local Mitigation Strategy Committee – Annual Progress Report  
**Date:** October 5, 2011

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The Hernando County Local Mitigation Strategy (LMS) Committee has completed its annual progress report. A copy of the report was submitted to the Hernando County Board of County Commissioners and is available at the Hernando County Sheriff's Office - Emergency Management website: <http://www.hernadosheriff.org/em/publications/>

The LMS committee is coordinated by the Emergency Management staff and is comprised of representatives from government, business, industry, community associations and private citizens. The LMS committee is responsible for developing and maintaining the Local Mitigation Strategy Plan which promotes hazard mitigation and guides post-disaster recovery in Hernando County. Hazard Mitigation is any sustained action taken to reduce or eliminate the long-term risk from all hazards to human life and property. Mitigation activities may be implemented prior to, during or after an event. Actions include planning to reduce or eliminate long-term risks to people, property, the environment, financial investments and other programs. The objective of the LMS committee is to reduce future losses, and to manage post-disaster recovery.

Information concerning the Local Mitigation Strategy will be on file and available for examination at the Emergency Operations Center, 18900 Cortez Blvd., Brooksville. For more information, contact Pam Harris, LMS Coordinator, Hernando County Sheriff's Office - Emergency Management at (352) 754-4083.