



## Hernando County Sheriff's Office

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### Media Release

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**From:** Denise M. Moloney  
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**Re:** Notice of Public Meeting – Hernando County Sheriff's Office – Emergency Management Local Mitigation Strategy Committee Meeting

**Date:** November 29, 2016

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Notice is hereby given that the Hernando County Local Mitigation Strategy (LMS) Committee will hold its annual meeting on Monday, December 5, 2016, at 9 a.m. in the Emergency Operations Center, 18900 Cortez Blvd., Brooksville, FL 34601.

The purpose of this meeting is to review and update current projects and hold officer elections for the 2017 term. The general public is invited.

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 to human life and property from hazards. Mitigation activities may be implemented prior to, during, or after an incident. Actions include planning to reduce or eliminate long-term risks to people, property, the environment, financial investments, other programs 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. If there are any questions or comments regarding this meeting, please call Emergency Management at 352-754-4083 or email: [EOC@hernandosheriff.org](mailto:EOC@hernandosheriff.org).

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons with disabilities needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact Kevin Ford at 352-754-4083 or email [kford@hernandosheriff.org](mailto:kford@hernandosheriff.org). If hearing impaired, please call 1-800-676-3777 for assistance.

## **The Office of Sheriff:**

**The Office of the Sheriff is established by the Florida Constitution. As a constitutional officer, the Sheriff has the exclusive authority to administer his or her agency and is responsible for preserving the peace throughout the entire county, carrying out the laws of the state, the orders of Florida courts, and the ordinances of the Board of County Commissioners. The Sheriff is the chief law enforcement and correctional officer of the county.**

**Sheriff Al Nienhuis was initially appointed as the Sheriff of Hernando County by the Governor in January of 2011. He was then elected by the people of Hernando County in 2012, and remains accountable to them.**