

1 5131 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
2 lowing:

3 **“SEC. 206. NATURAL HAZARD RISK ASSESSMENT.**

4 “(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

5 “(1) COMMUNITY DISASTER RESILIENCE
6 ZONE.—The term ‘community disaster resilience
7 zone’ means a census tract designated by the Presi-
8 dent under subsection (d)(1).

9 “(2) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term ‘eligible en-
10 tity’ means—

11 “(A) a State;

12 “(B) an Indian tribal government; or

13 “(C) a local government.

14 “(b) PRODUCTS.—The President shall continue to
15 maintain a natural hazard assessment program that devel-
16 ops and maintains products that—

17 “(1) are available to the public; and

18 “(2) define natural hazard risk across the
19 United States.

20 “(c) FEATURES.—The products maintained under
21 subsection (b) shall, for lands within States and areas
22 under the jurisdiction of Indian tribal governments—

23 “(1) show the risk of natural hazards; and

24 “(2) include ratings and data for—

1 “(A) loss exposure, including population
2 equivalence, buildings, and agriculture;

3 “(B) social vulnerability;

4 “(C) community resilience; and

5 “(D) any other element determined by the
6 President.

7 “(d) COMMUNITY DISASTER RESILIENCE ZONES
8 DESIGNATION.—

9 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days
10 after the date on which the President makes the up-
11 date and enhancement required under subsection
12 (e)(4), and not less frequently than every 5 years
13 thereafter, the President shall identify and designate
14 community disaster resilience zones, which shall
15 be—

16 “(A) the 50 census tracts assigned the
17 highest individual hazard risk ratings; and

18 “(B) subject to paragraph (3), in each
19 State, not less than 1 percent of census tracts
20 that are assigned high individual risk ratings.

21 “(2) RISK RATINGS.—In carrying out para-
22 graph (1), the President shall use census tract risk
23 ratings derived from a product maintained under
24 subsection (b) that—

25 “(A) reflect—

1 “(i) high levels of individual hazard
2 risk ratings based on an assessment of the
3 intersection of—

4 “(I) loss to population equiva-
5 lence;

6 “(II) buildings value; and

7 “(III) agriculture value;

8 “(ii) high social vulnerability ratings
9 and low community resilience ratings; and

10 “(iii) any other elements determined
11 by the President; and

12 “(B) reflect the principal natural hazard
13 risks identified for the respective census tracts.

14 “(3) GEOGRAPHIC BALANCE.—In identifying
15 and designating the community disaster resilience
16 zones described in paragraph (1)(B)—

17 “(A) for the purpose of achieving geo-
18 graphic balance, when applicable, the President
19 shall consider making designations in coastal,
20 inland, urban, suburban, and rural areas; and

21 “(B) the President shall include census
22 tracts on Tribal lands located within a State.

23 “(4) DURATION.—The designation of a commu-
24 nity disaster resilience zone under paragraph (1)

1 shall be effective for a period of not less than 5
2 years.

3 “(e) REVIEW AND UPDATE.—Not later than 180
4 days after the date of enactment of the Community Dis-
5 aster Resilience Zones Act of 2022, and not less frequently
6 than every 5 years thereafter, the President shall—

7 “(1) with respect to any product that is a nat-
8 ural hazard risk assessment—

9 “(A) review the underlying methodology of
10 the product; and

11 “(B) receive public input on the method-
12 ology and data used for the product;

13 “(2) consider including additional data in any
14 product that is a natural hazard risk assessment,
15 such as—

16 “(A) the most recent census tract data;

17 “(B) data from the American Community
18 Survey of the Bureau of the Census, a suc-
19 cessor survey, a similar survey, or another data
20 source, including data by census tract on hous-
21 ing characteristics and income;

22 “(C) information relating to development,
23 improvements, and hazard mitigation measures;

1 “(D) data that assesses past and future
2 loss exposure, including analysis on the effects
3 of a changing climate on future loss exposure;

4 “(E) data from the Resilience Analysis and
5 Planning Tool of the Federal Emergency Man-
6 agement Agency; and

7 “(F) other information relevant to
8 prioritizing areas that have—

9 “(i) high risk levels of—

10 “(I) natural hazard loss expo-
11 sure, including population equivalence,
12 buildings, infrastructure, and agri-
13 culture; and

14 “(II) social vulnerability; and

15 “(ii) low levels of community resil-
16 ience;

17 “(3) make publicly available any changes in
18 methodology or data used to inform an update to a
19 product maintained under subsection (b); and

20 “(4) update and enhance the products main-
21 tained under subsection (b), as necessary.

22 “(f) NATURAL HAZARD RISK ASSESSMENT IN-
23 SIGHTS.—In determining additional data to include in
24 products that are natural hazard risk assessments under

1 subsection (e)(2), the President shall consult with, at a
2 minimum—

3 “(1) the Administrator of the Federal Emer-
4 gency Management Agency;

5 “(2) the Secretary of Agriculture and the Chief
6 of the Forest Service;

7 “(3) the Secretary of Commerce, the Adminis-
8 trator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Ad-
9 ministration, the Director of the Bureau of the Cen-
10 sus, and the Director of the National Institute of
11 Standards and Technology;

12 “(4) the Secretary of Defense and the Com-
13 manding Officer of the United States Army Corps of
14 Engineers;

15 “(5) the Administrator of the Environmental
16 Protection Agency;

17 “(6) the Secretary of the Interior and the Di-
18 rector of the United States Geological Survey;

19 “(7) the Secretary of Housing and Urban De-
20 velopment; and

21 “(8) the Director of the Federal Housing Fi-
22 nance Agency.

23 “(g) COMMUNITY DISASTER RESILIENCE ZONE.—
24 With respect to financial assistance provided under section
25 203(i) to perform a resilience or mitigation project within,

1 or that primarily benefits, a community disaster resilience
2 zone, the President may increase the amount of the Fed-
3 eral share described under section 203(h).

4 “(h) RESILIENCE OR MITIGATION PROJECT PLAN-
5 NING ASSISTANCE.—

6 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The President may provide
7 financial, technical, or other assistance under this
8 title to an eligible entity that plans to perform a re-
9 siliience or mitigation project within, or that pri-
10 marily benefits, a community disaster resilience
11 zone.

12 “(2) PURPOSE.—The purpose of assistance pro-
13 vided under paragraph (1) shall be to carry out ac-
14 tivities in preparation for a resilience or mitigation
15 project or seek an evaluation and certification under
16 subsection (i)(2) for a resilience or mitigation
17 project before the date on which permanent work of
18 the resilience or mitigation project begins.

19 “(3) APPLICATION.—If required by the Presi-
20 dent, an eligible entity seeking assistance under
21 paragraph (1) shall submit an application in accord-
22 ance with subsection (i)(1).

23 “(4) FUNDING.—In providing assistance under
24 paragraph (1), the President may use amounts set
25 aside under section 203(i).

1 “(i) COMMUNITY DISASTER RESILIENCE ZONE
2 PROJECT APPLICATIONS.—

3 “(1) IN GENERAL.—If required by the Presi-
4 dent or other Federal law, an eligible entity shall
5 submit to the President an application at such time,
6 in such manner, and containing or accompanied by
7 such information as the President may reasonably
8 require.

9 “(2) EVALUATION AND CERTIFICATION.—

10 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120
11 days after the date on which an eligible entity
12 submits an application under paragraph (1),
13 the President shall evaluate the application to
14 determine whether the resilience or mitigation
15 project that the entity plans to perform within,
16 or that primarily benefits, a community disaster
17 resilience zone—

18 “(i) meets or exceeds one of the latest
19 two published editions of relevant con-
20 sensus-based codes, specifications, and
21 standards, including amendments made by
22 State, local, Indian tribal, or territorial
23 governments during the adoption process
24 that incorporate the latest hazard-resistant
25 designs and establish criteria for the de-

1 sign, construction, and maintenance of res-
2 idential structures and facilities that may
3 be eligible for assistance under this section;

4 “(ii) is designed to reduce injuries,
5 loss of life, and damage and destruction of
6 property, such as damage to critical serv-
7 ices and facilities; and

8 “(iii) substantially reduces the risk of,
9 or increases resilience to, future damage,
10 hardship, loss, or suffering.

11 “(B) CERTIFICATION.—If the President
12 determines that an application submitted under
13 paragraph (1) meets the criteria described in
14 subparagraph (A), the President shall certify
15 the proposed resilience or mitigation project.

16 “(C) EFFECT OF CERTIFICATION.—The
17 certification of a proposed resilience or mitiga-
18 tion project under subparagraph (B) shall not
19 be construed to exempt the resilience or mitiga-
20 tion project from the requirements of any other
21 law.

22 “(3) PROJECTS CAUSING DISPLACEMENT.—
23 With respect to a resilience or mitigation project cer-
24 tified under paragraph (2)(B) that involves the dis-
25 placement of a resident from any occupied housing

1 unit, the entity performing the resilience or mitiga-
2 tion project shall—

3 “(A) provide, at the option of the resident,
4 a suitable and habitable housing unit that is,
5 with respect to the housing unit from which the
6 resident is displaced—

7 “(i) of a comparable size;

8 “(ii) located in the same local commu-
9 nity or a community with reduced hazard
10 risk; and

11 “(iii) offered under similar costs, con-
12 ditions, and terms;

13 “(B) ensure that property acquisitions re-
14 sulting from the displacement and made in con-
15 nection with the resilience or mitigation
16 project—

17 “(i) are deed restricted in perpetuity
18 to preclude future property uses not relat-
19 ing to mitigation or resilience; and

20 “(ii) are the result of a voluntary de-
21 cision by the resident; and

22 “(C) plan for robust public participation in
23 the resilience or mitigation project.”.

24 (b) NATIONAL RISK INDEX FUNDING.—Nothing in
25 section 206 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and

1 Emergency Assistance Act, as added by subsection (a),
2 shall be construed to prohibit the Administrator of the
3 Federal Emergency Management Agency from using
4 amounts available to maintain and update the National
5 Risk Index until the earlier of—

6 (1) the date on which such amounts are trans-
7 ferred to another source; and

8 (2) 3 years after the date of enactment of this
9 Act.

10 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 1234 of the
11 Disaster Recovery Reform Act of 2018 (42 U.S.C. 5133
12 note) is amended by striking subsection (d).

