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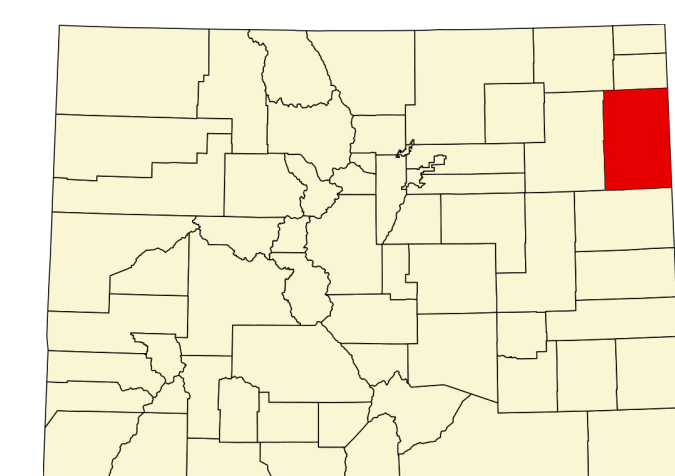


STRENGTHENING EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND FOSTERING COMMUNITY RESILIENCE IN YUMA COUNTY

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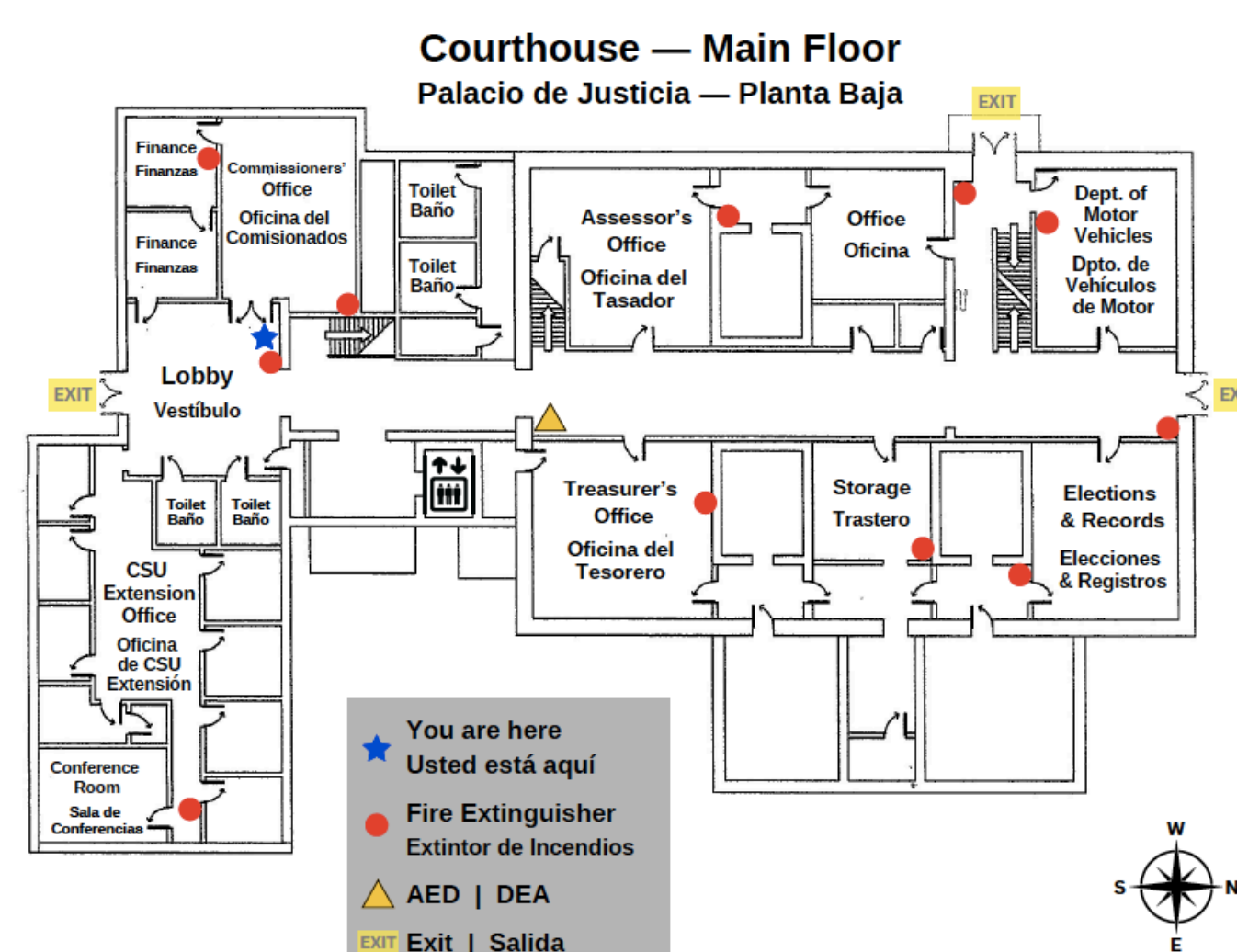
INTRODUCTION

This internship was based in Yuma County, home to about 10,000 people spread out over close to 2,400 square miles. The local economy is centered on livestock production and farming. Yuma County is predominantly white, but is home to a large and growing Latino population. The County's residents face many hazards during the year, including hail, tornadoes, wildfires, thunderstorms, flooding, and severe winter weather.

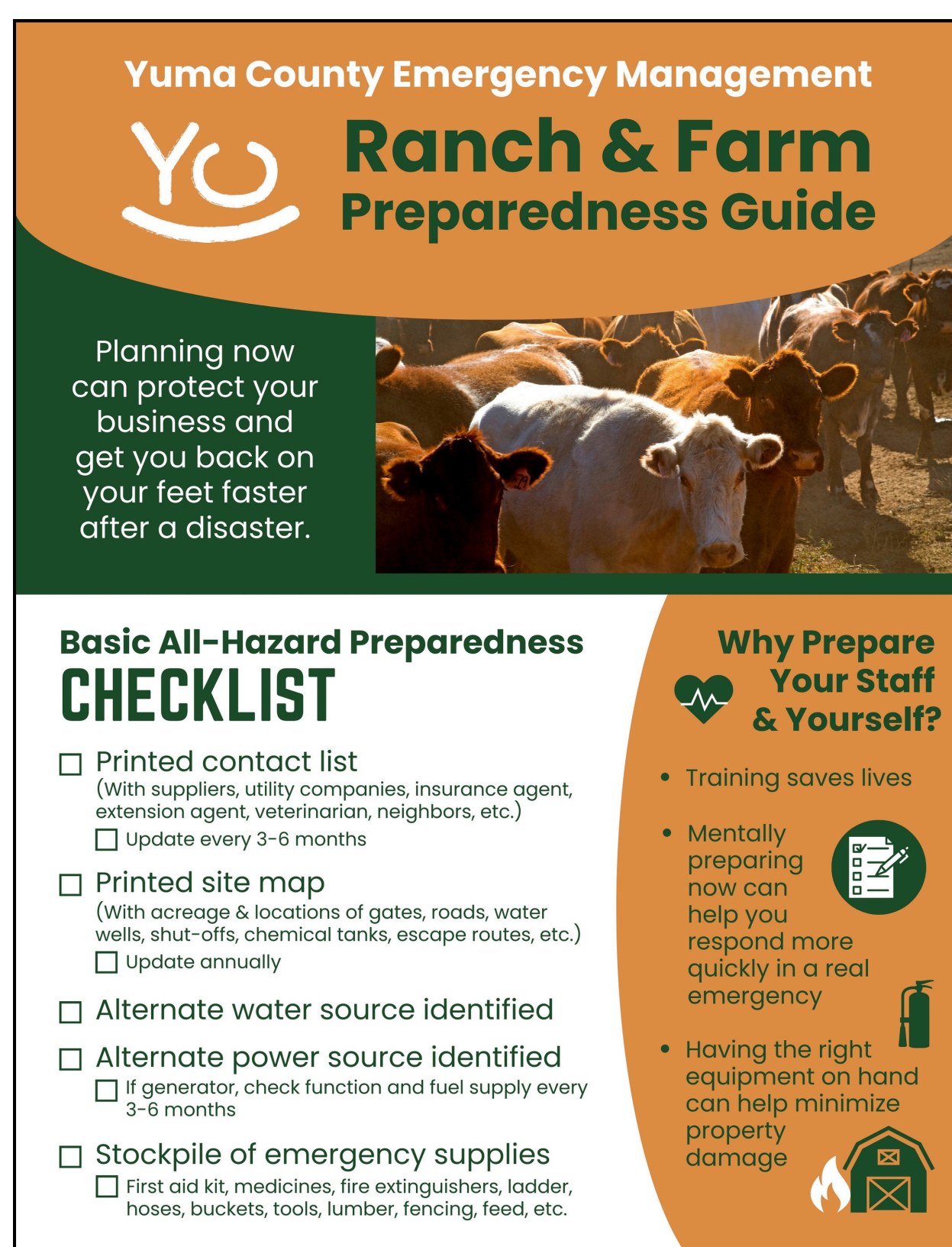


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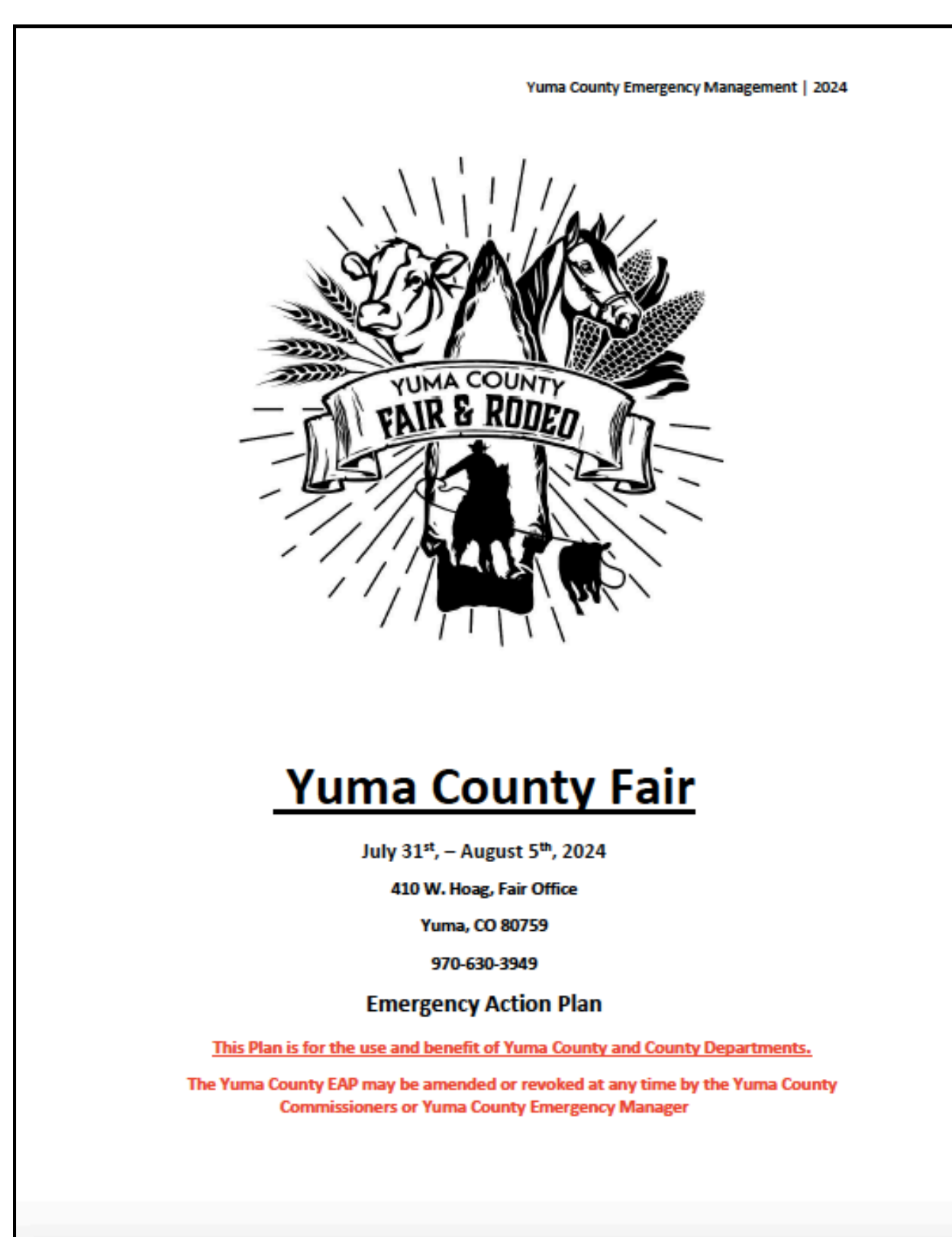
The internship emphasized opportunities to learn and apply the skills necessary for effective rural emergency management. It was designed to support emergency preparedness and strengthen community resilience. Working with guidance from my experienced supervisor, Jake Rockwell, I made Preparedness Guides for different audiences. I also updated the County's evacuation and sheltering maps, helped update the Fair Emergency Action Plan, and led a Tabletop Exercise (TTX) for the Fair Board. The internship met my personal goal of gaining more on-the-ground experience, which will help me when I work in public health emergency management.



Evacuation & Sheltering Maps



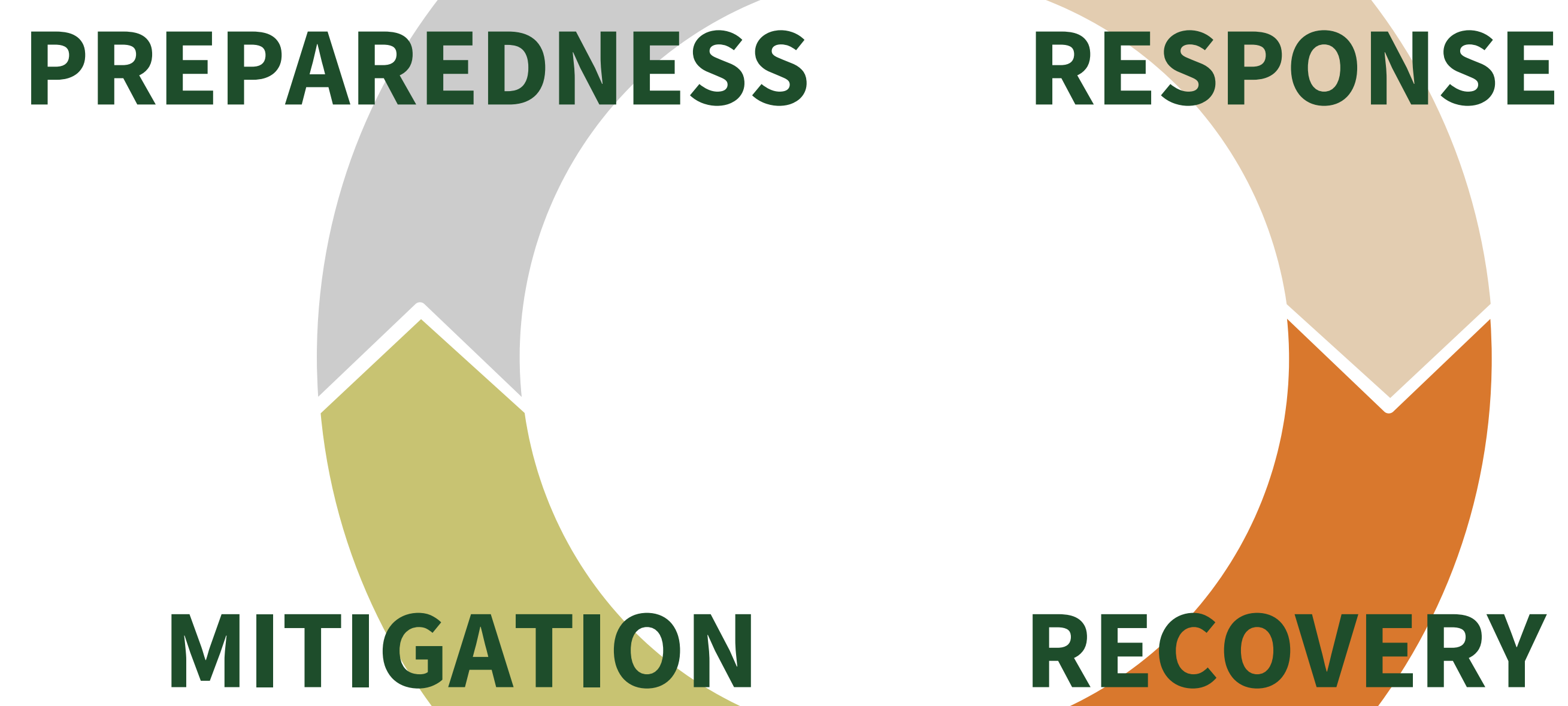
Preparedness Guides



Yuma County Fair Plan



Tabletop Exercise (TTX) for Yuma County Fair Board



Wildfire Response



Con Botas y Sombrero Party Security Plan



Mold Mitigation



May 20th Hailstorm Recovery