

## Special Topics

## Canadian County Disaster Resiliency Assessment

The purpose of this section is to assess at the county level key components of disaster resiliency. Housing location and quality as well as planning activities can help reduce impacts from disaster events and allow for faster recovery. Disasters can include tornadoes, extreme weather, high winds, as well as man-made events. These events may largely be inevitable, but the ability to reduce damage and casualties as well recovery can be improved with good planning.

### C.0 Comprehensive Plans & Hazard Mitigation Plans

There are 11 cities and towns within the county. There is one key city, El Reno, where the County seat resides. Towns included in the plan are Mustang, Piedmont, Calumet, Okarche, Union City, and Concho. Yukon, Geary, and the part of Oklahoma City in Canadian County opted not to be included in the County plan. **Comprehensive plans** are the guiding documents for cities of various sizes to address key aspects of their community from land use, transportation, environment, housing, and economic development. None of the cities have their own comprehensive plans that have been adopted, though basic summaries are included as Appendices to the County's Comprehensive Plan.

Based on the review of the existing and available comprehensive plans for the area, it is recommended that any future comprehensive planning work done include coordination and goals to address disaster resiliency.

The other key plan for a city to manage, mitigate and plan for recovery related to disasters is a **Hazard Mitigation Plan** (or Emergency Management Plan). Often low density counties, the Hazard Mitigation Plan is done at the county level, though some cities may augment the county plan with a city plan.

Canadian County does have a Hazard Mitigation Plan. The plan was adopted in 2013 and accepted by FEMA.

#### C.2.1.1. Historical Data on Natural Disasters and Other Hazards

The Canadian County Hazard Mitigation Plan has twelve goals for all natural hazards:

- Goal 1: Minimize loss of life and property from natural hazard events
- Goal 2: Protect public health and safety
- Goal 3: Increase public awareness of risk from natural hazards
- Goal 4: Reduce risk and effects of natural hazards
- Goal 5: Identify hazards and assess risk for Canadian County
- Goal 6: Ascertain historical incidence and frequency of occurrence
- Goal 7: Determine increased risk from specific hazards due to location and other factors
- Goal 8: Improve disaster prevention
- Goal 9: Improve forecasting of natural hazard events
- Goal 10: Limit building in high-risk areas
- Goal 11: Improve building construction to reduce the dangers of natural hazards
- Goal 12: Improve government and public response to natural hazard disasters

The following table is based on data from 1995 to 2009. Sources for the information include the National Climate Data Center, the National Response Center, the Oklahoma Geologic Survey, the Oklahoma Fire Marshal's Offices, and local sources.

Table 4-1: Summary of Damages

| Hazard                      | Events                    | Total Property Dmg        | Property Dmg/Event | Property Damage/Yr | Injuries                  | Injuries/Event | Injuries/Year | Deaths | Deaths/Event | Deaths/Year |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|----------------|---------------|--------|--------------|-------------|
| Floods                      | 30                        | \$3,042,000               | \$101,400          | \$202,800          | 3                         | 0.10           | 0.20          | 0      | 0            | 0           |
| Tornadoes                   | 34                        | \$7,141,000               | \$210,029          | \$476,067          | 5                         | 0.15           | 0.33          | 0      | 0            | 0           |
| High Winds                  | 73                        | \$6,814,000               | \$93,342           | \$454,266          | 0                         | 0              | 0             | 0      | 0            | 0           |
| Lightning                   | 9                         | \$181,000                 | \$20,111           | \$12,067           | 0                         | 0              | 0             | 0      | 0            | 0           |
| Hail                        | 105                       | \$501,000                 | \$2,277            | \$33,400           | 0                         | 0              | 0             | 0      | 0            | 0           |
| Winter Storms               | 35                        | \$524,430,000             | \$13,800,789       | \$34,962,000       | 1                         | 0.03           | 0.07          | 0      | 0            | 0           |
| Extreme Heat                | 4                         | \$10,000                  | \$2,000            | \$667              | 100                       | 20             | 6.67          | 31     | 6.20         | 2.07        |
| Drought                     | 4                         | \$32,495,000              | \$2,030,938        | \$2,166,333        | 4                         | 0.25           | 0.26          | 0      | 0            | 0           |
| Expansive Soils             | Information not available |                           |                    |                    |                           |                |               |        |              |             |
| Urban Fires <sup>1</sup>    | 1,059                     | \$19,310,015              | \$18,234           | \$1,755,456        | 85                        | 0.08           | 7.73          | 15     | 0.01         | 1.36        |
| Wildfires <sup>1</sup>      | 2,141                     | \$1,442,100               | \$674              | \$131,100          | Information not available |                |               |        |              |             |
| Earthquakes                 | 28                        | Information not available |                    |                    | 0                         | 0              | 0             | 0      | 0            | 0           |
| HazMat Events               | 21                        | Information not available |                    |                    |                           |                |               |        |              |             |
| Dam Failures                | 0                         | 0                         | 0                  | 0                  | 0                         | 0              | 0             | 0      | 0            | 0           |
| Transportation <sup>2</sup> | 58                        | Information not available |                    |                    |                           |                |               |        |              |             |

1. Fire data is based on the eleven-year period from 1999 through 2009, based on best available data from the Oklahoma State Fire Marshal's office.

2. Transportation data based on 13 year reporting period 1996-2009. Source: National Response Center

Table 4-2: Canadian County Hazard Vulnerability Ranking

| Type of Hazard                               | Occurrence |             | Impact |          |                |          | Mitigation Activities | Resources |          | Total Score |
|--|------------|-------------|--------|----------|----------------|----------|-----------------------|-----------|----------|-------------|
|  | Historical | Probability | Human  | Property | Infrastructure | Business |                       | Internal  | External |             |
| Winter Storm/Ice Storm                       | 5          | 5           | 2.6    | 3.6      | 4              | 4        | 2                     | 2.5       | 2        | 5.8         |
| Tornadoes                                    | 4          | 4           | 3.25   | 4        | 3              | 3        | 2                     | 2.5       | 3        | 4.8         |
| High Wind Events                             | 5          | 5           | 1      | 3        | 3              | 2        | 1                     | 3         | 4        | 4.4         |
| Lightning                                    | 5          | 5           | 2      | 3        | 3              | 2        | 2                     | 4         | 4        | 4.4         |
| Hail   | 4.5        | 4.5         | 1      | 4        | 2              | 3        | 1                     | 3         | 3        | 4.4         |
| Urban (Structure) Fires                      | 5          | 5           | 1      | 4        | 1              | 4        | 3.5                   | 4         | 4        | 4.3         |
| Expansive Soils                              | 5          | 5           | 1      | 3        | 1              | 1        | 1                     | 2         | 2        | 4.1         |
| Heat, Extreme                                | 5          | 5           | 2      | 1        | 1              | 1        | 1                     | 3         | 4        | 3.6         |
| Wildfires                                    | 4.5        | 4.5         | 1      | 2        | 2              | 2        | 2                     | 3.5       | 4        | 3.5         |
| Transportation Hazardous Materials Incidents | 3          | 3           | 3      | 2        | 1              | 3        | 1                     | 3         | 4        | 3.1         |
| Drought                                      | 3          | 3           | 1.5    | 2        | 2              | 3        | 2                     | 2         | 3        | 3.1         |
| Fixed Site Hazardous Material Incidents      | 2          | 3           | 2.5    | 2        | 1              | 2        | 1                     | 3         | 4        | 2.6         |
| Flooding                                     | 3          | 3           | 1      | 2        | 3              | 2        | 3                     | 4         | 4        | 2.6         |
| Dam / Levee Failure                          | 0          | 1           | 2      | 3        | 3              | 3        | 1                     | 2         | 2        | 2.3         |
| Earthquake                                   | 2          | 2           | 1      | 1        | 1              | 1        | 1                     | 3         | 4        | 1.3         |

**Table 4–3: Summary of Hazard Vulnerability Ranking Criteria**

|                                      |   |                                     |
|--------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Summary:</b>                      | This tool looks at an organization's or a community's vulnerability to the effects of various hazards. Using a scale of 0 to 5, the probability of occurrence and the impact potential are measured against mitigation activities and the resources available to respond to the hazard. The total is based on a formula that weighs risk heavily but provides credit for mitigation and response and recovery resources.<br>The highest score possible is 7.8. The lower the total score, the lower the overall risk from the Hazard.         |                                     |
| <b>Instructions:</b>                 | Score each hazard based on a scale of 0 to 5 with 5 being the highest.<br>Ratings values: 1 = Low : 2-3 = Moderate : 4-5 = High   |                                     |
| <b>Historical Occurrence:</b>        | This is based on the number of occurrence in the last 20 years. Maximum is 5; if a new hazard, use 0.   |                                     |
| <b>Probability:</b>                  | Score 0 if non-existent, 1 if less than 1%, 2 if less than 5%, 3 if less than 10%, 4 if less than 20%, and 5 if greater than 20%. Percents are based on the likelihood of an event occurring within a 15 year period of time. Probability is the likelihood an event will occur. History and probability are similar, but hazards that are newly developing, hazards where likelihood has increased or decreased based upon new developments or activities, or hazards with no historical information may need to be considered individually. |                                     |
| <b>Impact:</b>                       | Based on "worst-case scenario" - greatest possible impact should worst-case event occur. Maximum threat is the worst-case scenario of a hazard. Its impact is expressed in terms of human casualties, property loss, and business interruption/loss revenue issues. Secondary events need to be factored in where necessary. Assume maximum population when appropriate (for example, industrial park during peak work hours).  |                                     |
| <b>Internal/ External Resources:</b> | Based on the resources available to the community internally, or to Mutual Aid agreements or other understandings with neighboring jurisdictions. May also include private resources available, such as corporate firefighting/hazmat teams or medical resources.   |                                     |
| <b>Analysis Results:</b>             | Extreme Vulnerability : Greater than 6.0  | Moderate Vulnerability : 2.5 to 4.0 |
|                                      | High Vulnerability : 4.0 to 6.0   | Low Vulnerability : Less than 2.5   |

**Dam Failure Risks**

**Historical Context:** The Oklahoma Water Resources Board has classified 4 of the county's dams as High Hazard: the El Reno Lake Dam in El Reno, the Northwood Lake Dam and Cottonwood Creek Site 16 Dam near Piedmont, and the Cedar Lake Dam in the very southwest part of the county. Due to the County's flood risk, there are several dams that have been constructed along the rivers. "There has been one dam failure on the North Canadian River, one emergency release, and one failure of a minor amenity dam in a housing development."

| Date       | Location                                       | General Description  |
|------------|--|--|
| 10/16/1923 | Lake Overholser Dam                            | Dam failure – failed due to peak flows on the North Canadian River and sent a 25ft high wall of water into Oklahoma City                             |
| 5/1961     | Canton Lake                                    | Emergency release – the lake filled to capacity after days of heavy rain, forcing the US Army Corps of Engineers to release 80,000cfs into the river |
| 5/2007     | Spitler Lake Dam – Quail Lake Estates, Mustang | Amenity dam failure – failed during heavy rains. Damage cost was \$20,000.   |

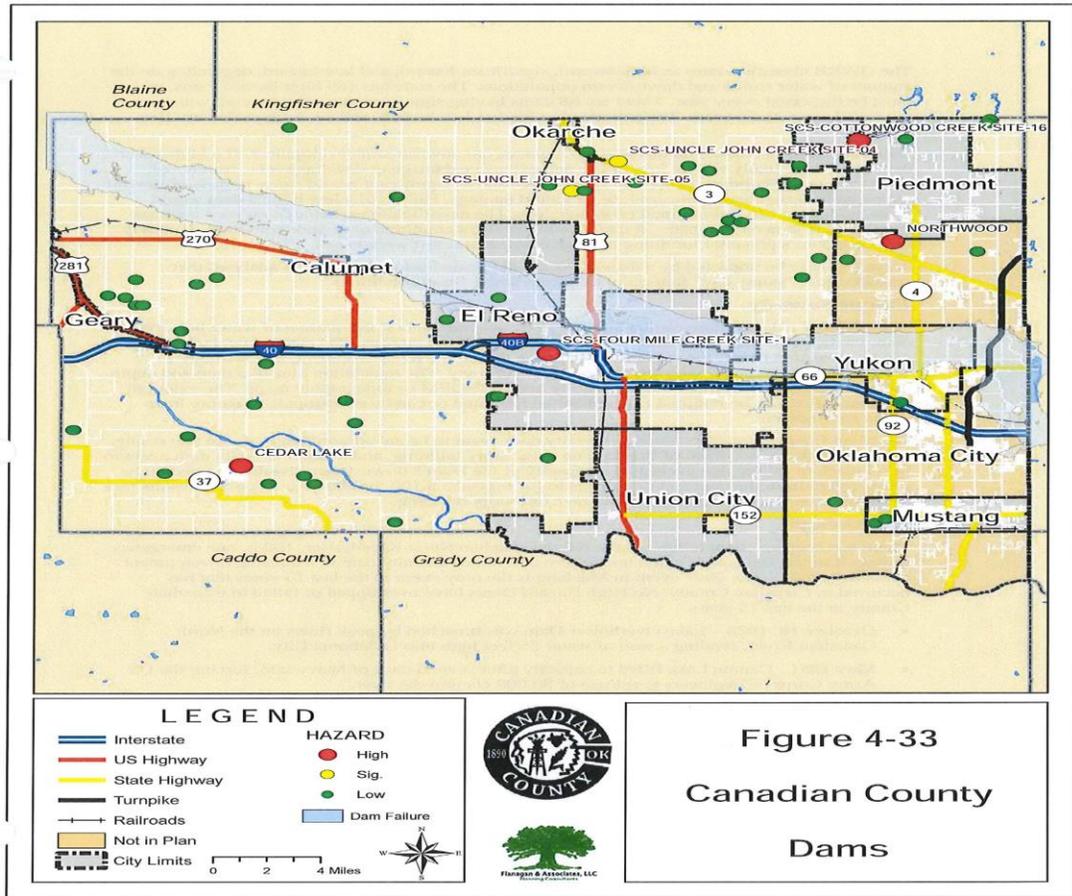


Figure 4-33  
Canadian County  
Dams

**Mitigation Strategy / Recommendations from HMP:** However, no high hazard dam failures have impacted Canadian County, and so it is not an anticipated event that will happen within the next 15 years. Still one of the County’s main objectives is to “Analyze safety of existing high-risk dams and levees...and implement highest-priority measures to strengthen the structures and reduce risk.”

**Drought**

**Historical Context:** “Canadian County has experienced four drought events in the past 15 years: 2000, 2001, 2005-2006, and 2011.”

**Table 4–26: Casualties and Damages Caused by Drought from 1995 - 2009**

| Location        | Events | Deaths | Injuries | Damage Events | Property/Crop Damages |
|-----------------|--------|--------|----------|---------------|-----------------------|
| Canadian County | 4      | 0      | 4        | 4             | \$561,590,000         |
| Oklahoma        | 6      | 0      | 4        | 6             | \$1,129,669,000       |

From NOAA National Climatic Data Center <http://www4.ncdc.noaa.gov/cgi-win/wwwcgi.dll?wwwevent-storms>

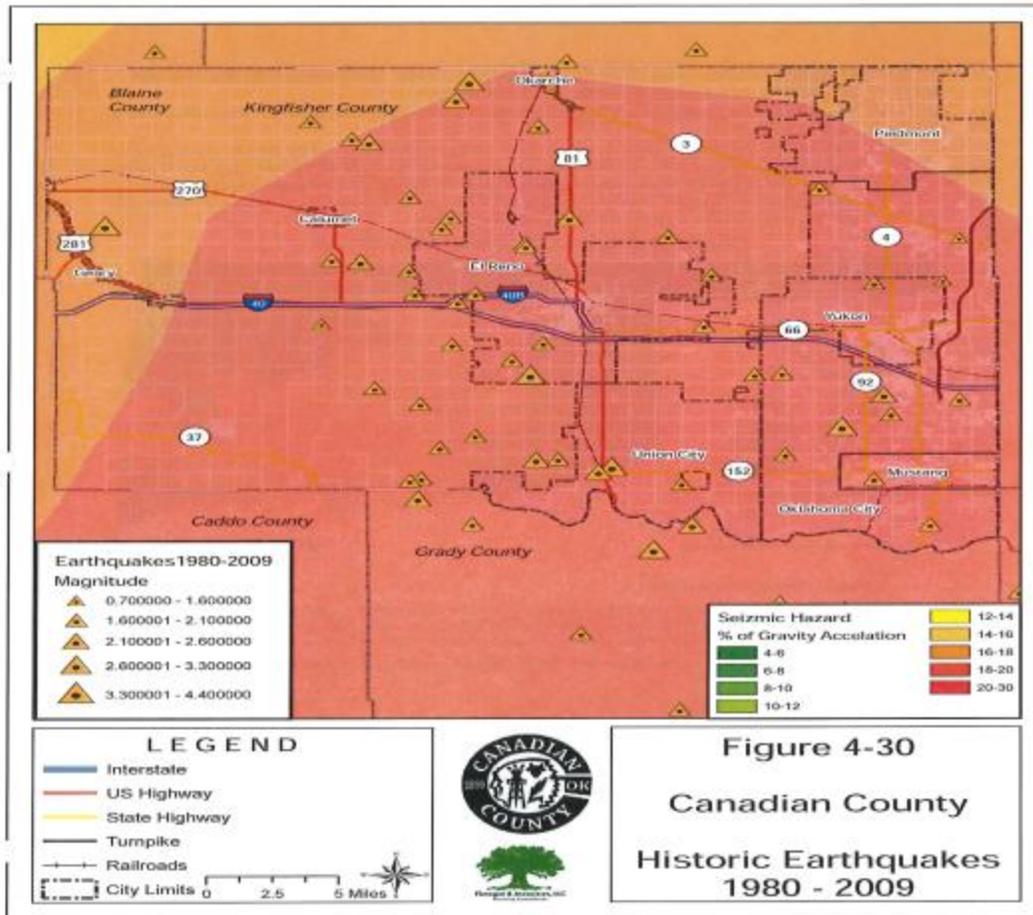
| Date                | Location                         | General Description   |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| 8/2000 –<br>9/2000  | Southern and South<br>Central OK | Unusually dry weather lasted 2 months. Agricultural losses: \$600 million (\$1 billion statewide).  |
| 7/2001              | Western and North<br>Central OK  | Excessive heat and little rainfall. Heat-related illnesses killed 8 people and the county was included in a disaster declaration.   |
| 12/2005 –<br>1/2007 | East Central and<br>Southeast OK | High winds and dry soil conditions led to worst wildfire outbreak in Oklahoma history and the loss of half of the wheat crop and fish kills in Deep Fork River. Agricultural losses: \$158 million. |
| 1/2011 –<br>10/2011 | All of OK                        | July was hottest month on record in Oklahoma and Canadian County. In El Reno it was 100°F every day but four.   |

**Mitigation Strategy / Recommendations from HMP:** “Although Canadian County’s water supplies are...adequate to meet all but the most severe drought conditions, the jurisdiction will remain vulnerable to drought over the long term.” Rely on Federal Government for relief in a severe drought. Future developments/renovations to buildings and infrastructure should consider expansive soils and wildfires as secondary effects of drought. Improve public awareness and identify and protect resources and critical infrastructure.

#### Earthquake

**Historical Context:** “Cleveland County is located in an area of low-level seismicity... Of the 28 events that have been reported between 2000 and 2009, 13 were in the vicinity of El Reno, 9 were near Calumet, 3 close to or in Union City, 2 near Mustang and 1 at Okarche.”

| Date                     | Location                    | General Description  |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| 12/28/1929               | El Reno                     | 4.0 magnitude, VI intensity  |
| 4/9/1952                 | El Reno                     | 5.5 – 5.7 magnitude, VII intensity – caused by slippage along the Nemaha Fault, toppling chimneys, cracking bricks, and breaking windows and dishes. Felt as far away as Austin, TX and Des Moines, IA |
| 9/10/2004                | W Reno Rd and<br>S Ranch Rd | 3.4 magnitude  |
| 3/11/2010 –<br>3/12/2010 | Union City                  | 11 tremors within Canadian River basin – one 3.4 magnitude, IV intensity, and two 2.8 magnitude, III intensity   |



**Mitigation Strategy / Recommendations from HMP:** Based on the results of an earthquake scenario, where economic losses were estimated at \$48.2 million, the County plans to “Establish emergency service protocols that adequately address response scenarios...” and structures and infrastructure built in the future should be designed to withstand earthquake damage as well as tornado and high wind damage.

**Flood**

**Historical Context:** Flooding poses a significant problem in the county. There are two main rivers that run through this area: the Canadian and North Canadian Rivers. Many creeks flow into these rivers. Sudden, heavy rains cause these rivers and creeks to swell, causing the county problems.

**Table 4-9: Floods in Oklahoma and Canadian County from 1995-2009**

| Location        | Events | Deaths | Injuries | Damage Events | Property Damage |
|-----------------|--------|--------|----------|---------------|-----------------|
| Canadian County | 30     | 0      | 3        | 9             | \$3,042,000     |
| Oklahoma        | 1,971  | 25     | 25       | 355           | \$79,668,000    |

From NOAA National Climatic Data Center

| Date                     | Location                   | General Description  |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| 5/10/1993                | El Reno                    | Water level reached 21.12ft  |
| 6/25/2000                | Piedmont                   | Heavy downpour inundated drainage basins, flooding much of the town, including Arrowhead Rd, Washington Ave, and Apache Rd NE.   |
| 3/4/2004 –<br>3/6/2004   | Western Canadian<br>County | Up to 6in of storm precipitation produced minor flooding on North Canadian River while the Canadian River was reported to have risen 6ft near Geary, OK.   |
| 8/19/2007 –<br>8/20/2007 | County wide                | Current flood record for North Canadian River: 23.33ft at El Reno. US Hwy 81 was closed near I-40 due to high water. OK Hwy 152 and OK Hwy 4 were both closed in Mustang. Many had to be rescued from stranded vehicles. Prong Bridge in Okarche had to be closed due to water flowing over it. In Piedmont, one car was swept off of banner Rd. Losses estimated near \$100,000 |
| 8/19/2008                | Eastern Canadian<br>County | Greatest flooding occurred near NW 23 <sup>rd</sup> St and Richland Ave to Hwy 66 and Banner Rd. Five people were rescued by boat – three from homes and two from cars. Many roads in Union City were flooded.   |
| 6/13/2010                | Eastern Canadian<br>County | Mustang Creek flooded after 10” of rain fell in the area. Cemetery Rd, SW 59 <sup>th</sup> St, and 74 <sup>th</sup> St were flooded in Mustang.  |

**Mitigation Strategy / Recommendations from HMP:** Canadian County regulates the FEMA SFHA, and buildings constructed today must meet NFIP minimum standards. As urban development continues, locations and building techniques should be closely examined. The County has an “aggressive and ongoing public awareness program” as well, and plans to “Expand mapping, regulations, and loss-prevention programs in areas with high risks...”

#### Hail

**Historical Context:** “Canadian County reported 105 hail events...between 1995 and 2009 with stones ranging in size from .75 inches to 3.0 inches in diameter causing \$501,000 in reported damage. of these events, 30 separate hail storms had potentially damaging hail measuring 1.75 inches in diameter or larger.”

**Table 4–20: Casualties and Damages Caused by Hail from 1995 - 2009**

| Location        | Events | Deaths | Injuries | Damage Events | Property Damage |
|-----------------|--------|--------|----------|---------------|-----------------|
| Canadian County | 105    | 0      | 0        | 2             | \$501,000       |
| Oklahoma        | 12,722 | 0      | 2        | 239           | 154,564,000     |

| Date      | Location | General Description  |
|-----------|----------|--|
| 4/30/1961 | El Reno  | 7in hail fell 1mi SW of El Reno  |
| 8/17/1994 | Okarche  | 4.5in, 2.75in, and 2.5in hail fell. The 4.5in hail fell 4mi SE of Okarche. Damage was \$100,000. |
| 5/25/1998 | Okarche  | 2.5in hail damaged wheat crops and vehicles in Okarche, but no damage figures were reported      |
| 4/21/2004 | Yukon    | Baseball size hail fell in Yukon   |
| 4/30/2004 | Piedmont | 3in hail broke the windshields of 2 cars   |
| 4/24/2006 | El Reno  | 2.75in hail fell north of El Reno  |
| 11/5/2008 | Piedmont | 2.5in hail reported 1mi south of Piedmont  |
| 5/23/2011 | Okarche  | 2.5in and 2.75in hail damaged structures and crops   |

**Mitigation Strategy / Recommendations from HMP:** Construction of new structures should include plans to use impact-resistant materials when feasible. “Identify costs and benefits of loss prevention programs, such as covered vehicle parking...” and ordinances such as building codes.

#### High Winds

**Historical Context:** “Canadian County reported 73 high wind events from 1995 through 2009...that injured two people and did a total of \$6,814,000 in damage. High wind is one of Canadian County’s most frequent natural hazards.”

**Table 4–15: High Winds in Oklahoma and Canadian County for 1995 - 2009**

From NOAA National Climatic Data Center

| Location        | Events | Deaths | Injuries | Damage Events | Property Damage |
|-----------------|--------|--------|----------|---------------|-----------------|
| Canadian County | 73     | 0      | 2        | 28            | \$6,814,000     |
| Oklahoma        | 9,174  | 8      | 196      | 2,525         | \$959,603,000   |

NCDC does not separate community damages from county reports for High Winds, Thunderstorm Winds, and Strong Winds. The Oklahoma numbers are raw.

| Date      | Location                    | General Description   |
|-----------|-----------------------------|---|
| 6/3/1995  | Union City                  | High winds caused \$5.5 million in damage   |
| 7/23/1995 | El Reno, Yukon, and Mustang | El Reno and Yukon - \$50,000 in damage<br>Mustang - \$50,000 in damage  |
| 8/2/1996  | Okarche                     | 3 mobile homes destroyed, 2 RVs and a cattle trailer overturned, 3 barns demolished, roof damage to schools, and many trees split or uprooted. Total of \$130,000 in damage.                |
| 4/20/2000 | El Reno                     | A 90’x120’ section of a hospital roof was blown off, resulting in rain and wind damage to the interior of this part of the building and medical equipment. Estimate of \$350,000 in damage. |
| 8/26/2006 | Mustang                     | 64mph winds damaged one side of a two-story home, resulting in rain damage inside. Total of \$100,000 in damage.  |
| 5/24/2011 | El Reno                     | Highest wind gust of 151mph recorded by an Oklahoma Mesonet site produced by EF5 tornado  |

**Mitigation Strategy / Recommendations from HMP:** Encourages studies to determine if there is a correlation in risk associated with driving a lighter vehicle in dangerous weather conditions. Construction crews should exercise care in securing apparatus and supplies that could become wind-borne during storms. Any buildings undergoing expansion, renovation or rebuilding should consider following updated techniques. Underground conduits for utility lines should be considered, and vegetation should be well trimmed to limit falling debris. There should also be many access points to all areas for emergency services.

#### Lightning

**Historical Context:** “Canadian County has reported nine lightning events between 1995 and 2009 that resulted in \$181,000 in damage. In the reporting period 1959-2010, lightning claimed 99 casualties.”

**Table 4-16: Casualties and Damages Caused by Lightning from 1995-2009**

| Location        | Events | Deaths | Injuries | Damage Events | Property Damages |
|-----------------|--------|--------|----------|---------------|------------------|
| Canadian County | 9      | 0      | 0        | 9             | \$181,000        |
| Oklahoma        | 374    | 11     | 76       | 301           | \$26,077,000     |

Source: From NOAA National Climatic Data Center  
<http://www1.ncdc.noaa.gov/cgi-win/wwwcgi.dll?wwevent-storms>

| Date      | Location | General Description  |
|-----------|----------|--|
| 5/25/1998 | Piedmont | Lightning started a house fire. Damage was \$40,000.   |
| 4/13/1999 | Yukon    | Lightning started a house fire, damaging the attic and parts of the roof. Damage was \$20,000. |
| 6/24/2000 | El Reno  | Lightning caused equipment damage at the Police Department. Damage was \$25,000.               |
| 6/11/2003 | El Reno  | Lightning struck the Masonic Temple causing \$25,000 in damage                                 |
| 1/4/2005  | Yukon    | Lightning struck two oil tank batteries and started a fire, resulting in \$75,000 in damage    |

**Mitigation Strategy / Recommendations from HMP:** Continue educating the public, including construction workers, on the hazards of lightning. It is recommended that buildings install surge protectors for electricity and phone lines. Moving above-ground utilities to underground should be considered top priority in the construction of new or renovation of facilities.

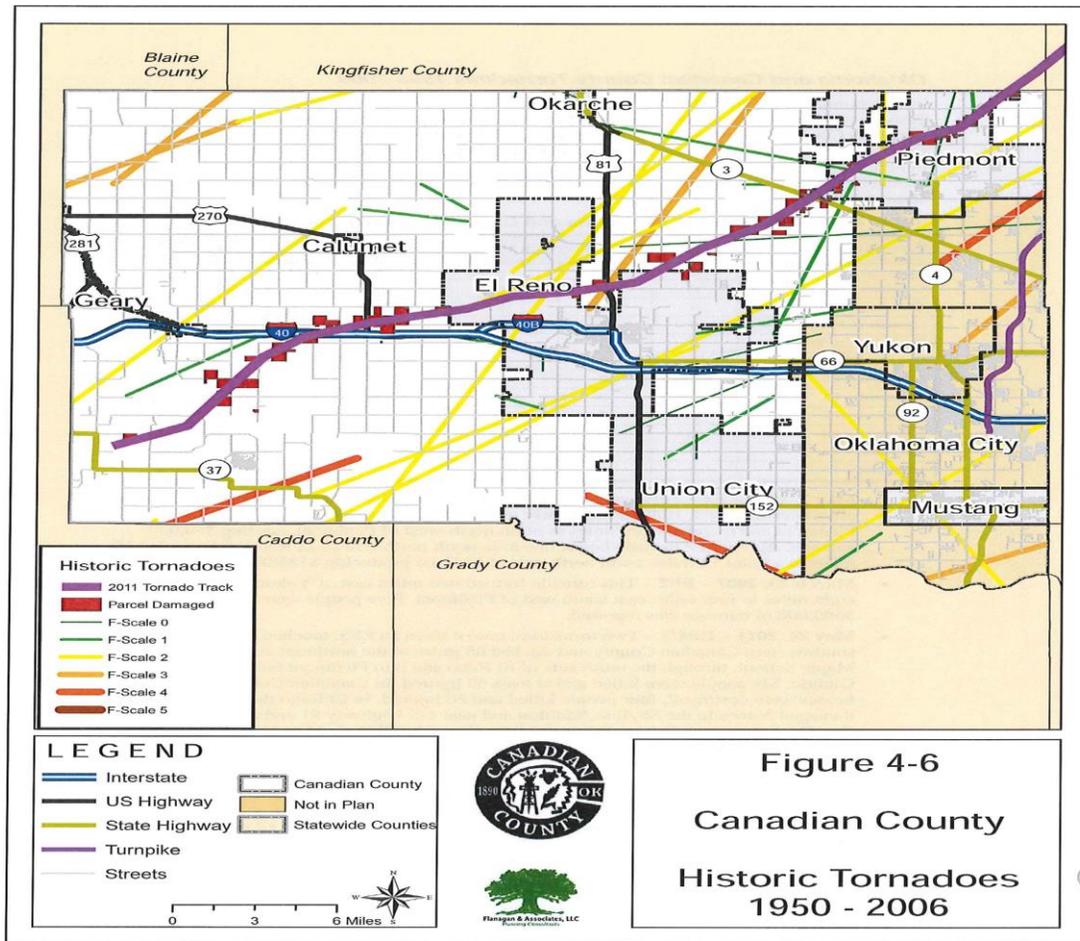
#### Tornadoes

**Historical Context:** In the last 15 years, Canadian County has been impacted by 34 tornadoes. About 70% of these were EF0 and EF1 and caused little damage. While less frequent, EF4 and EF5 tornadoes were the cause of 67% of tornado deaths.

**Table 4–12: Tornadoes in Oklahoma and Canadian County from 1995 - 2009**

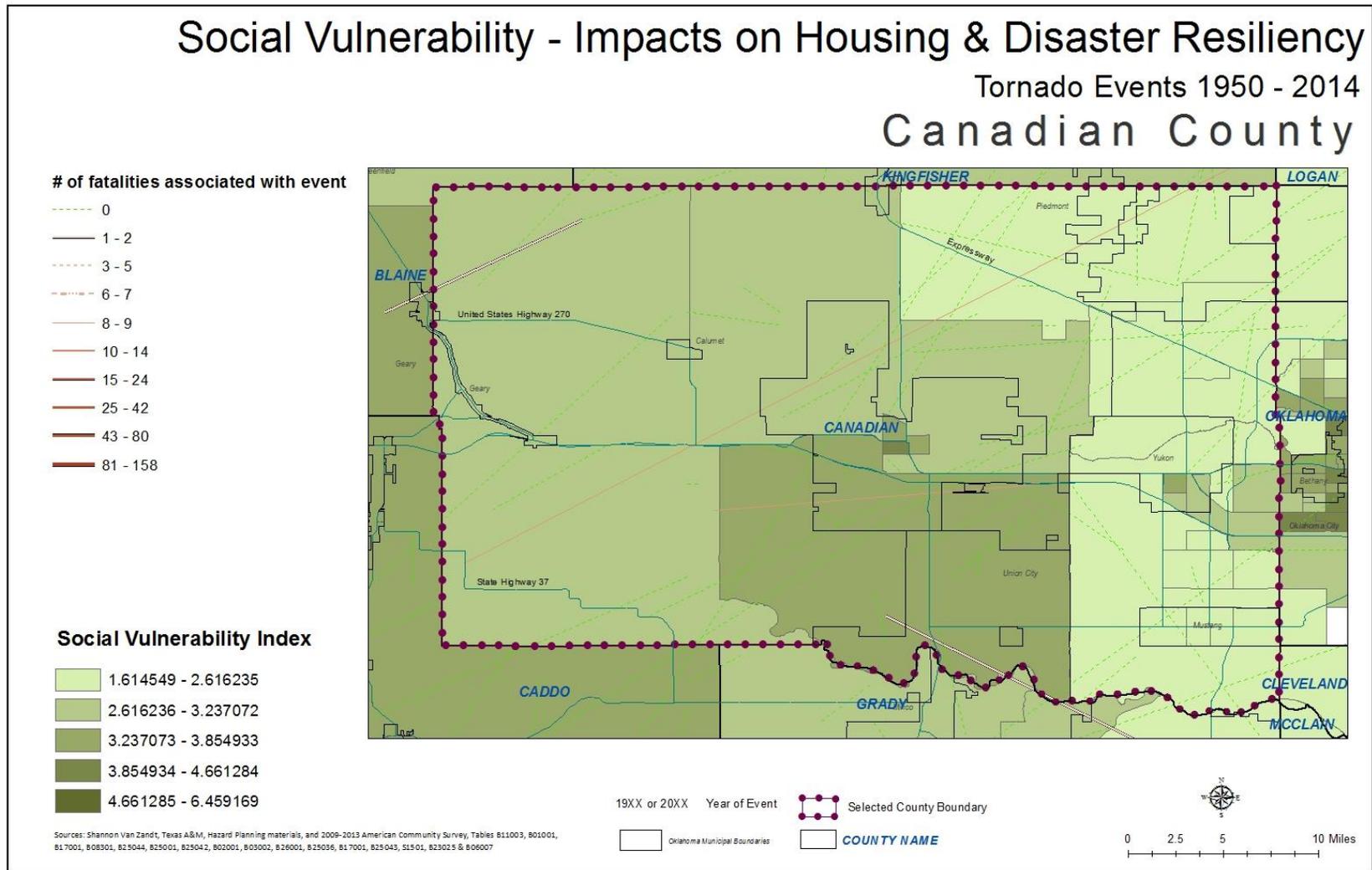
| Location             | Events | Deaths | Injuries | Damage Events | Property Damages |
|----------------------|--------|--------|----------|---------------|------------------|
| Canadian County – F0 | 15     | 0      | 0        | 5             | \$136,000        |
| Canadian County – F1 | 15     | 0      | 0        | 14            | \$5,331,000      |
| Canadian County – F2 | 4      | 0      | 5        | 4             | \$1,675,000      |
| Canadian County – F3 | 0      | 0      | 0        | 0             | 0                |
| Canadian County – F4 | 0      | 0      | 0        | 0             | 0                |
| Canadian County – F5 | 0      | 0      | 0        | 0             | 0                |
| Oklahoma – F0        | 589    | 0      | 14       | 136           | \$3,672,000      |
| Oklahoma – F1        | 268    | 0      | 40       | 229           | \$50,104,000     |
| Oklahoma – F2        | 93     | 5      | 88       | 81            | \$92,723,000     |
| Oklahoma – F3        | 27     | 5      | 116      | 26            | \$403,211,000    |
| Oklahoma – F4        | 7      | 29     | 514      | 7             | \$650,500,000    |
| Oklahoma – F5        | 2      | 23     | 332      | 2             | \$540,000,000    |

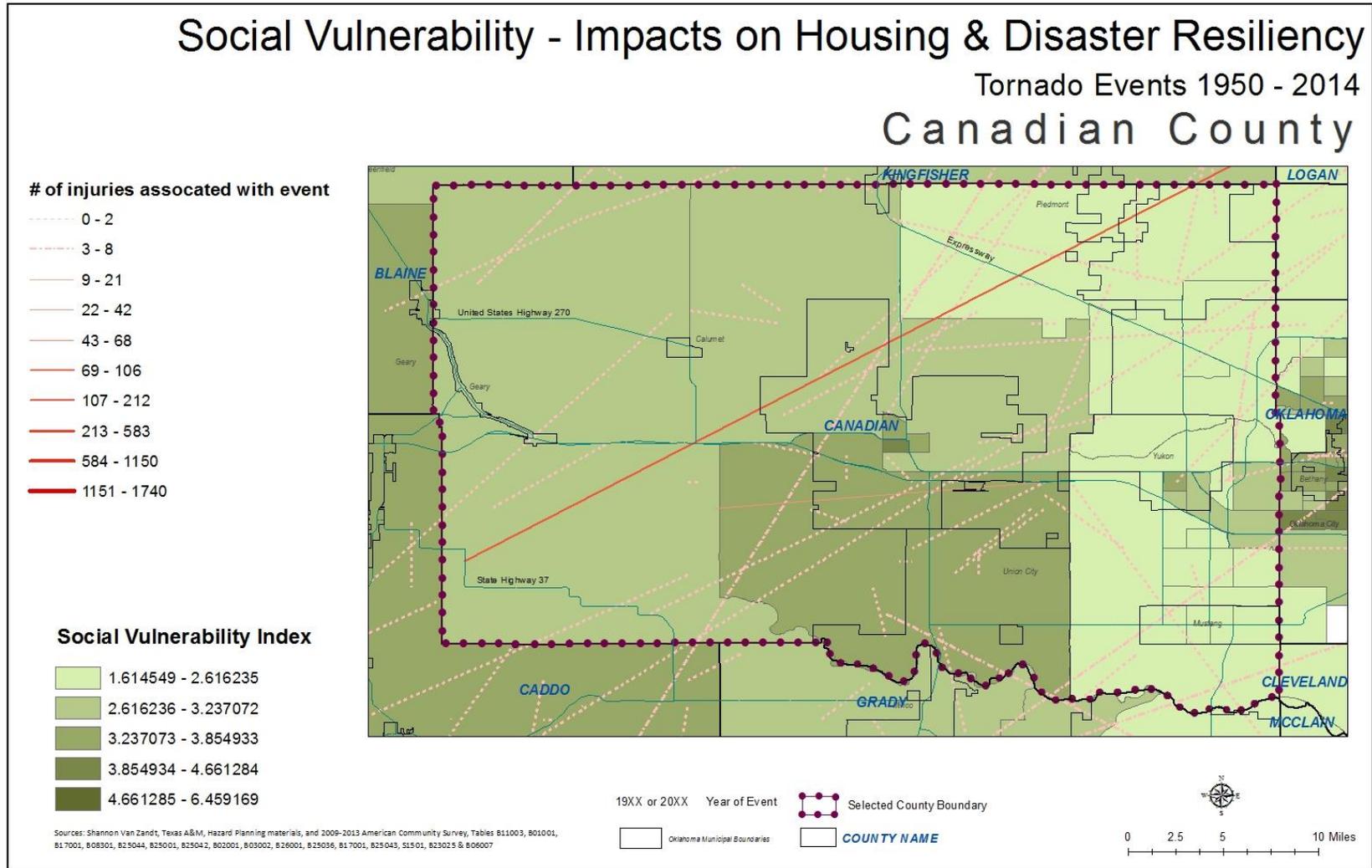
| Date      | Location             | General Description  |
|-----------|----------------------|--|
| 4/12/1945 | Muskogee             | 102 people died in a series of tornadoes: 13 in Muskogee, 69 in Antlers, 8 at Tinker Air Force Base, 5 in Roland, 4 near Hulbert, 3 in Latimer County  |
| 5/25/1973 | Union City           | Tornado damaged 49 buildings, demolished 22 homes and 18 trailers, and injured 6 people. Damage cost \$2million. This tornado was the first to leave a velocity signature on radar, providing a breakthrough in forecasting severe storms. Also the first tornado intercepted and photographed by storm chasers. |
| 5/3/1999  | Piedmont and El Reno | <b>F2</b> – began 2mi west of Piedmont and traveled 8mi NNW. Damage cost \$50,000.<br><b>F2</b> – began 1mi NNE of El Reno and traveled 16mi NNE. Damage cost \$125,000.   |
| 3/29/2007 | Yukon                | <b>EF2</b> – formed 2mi east of Yukon and traveled 8mi, nearly reaching Piedmont. Five people were injured and damage cost \$500,000.  |
| 5/24/2011 | SW Canadian County   | <b>EF4/5</b> – two tornadoes, one an EF4 and the other an EF5, traveled NE 65mi through the north side of El Reno and into Piedmont. Six people died, at least 60 injured, and homes in the Skyline Addition in El Reno were damaged.  |

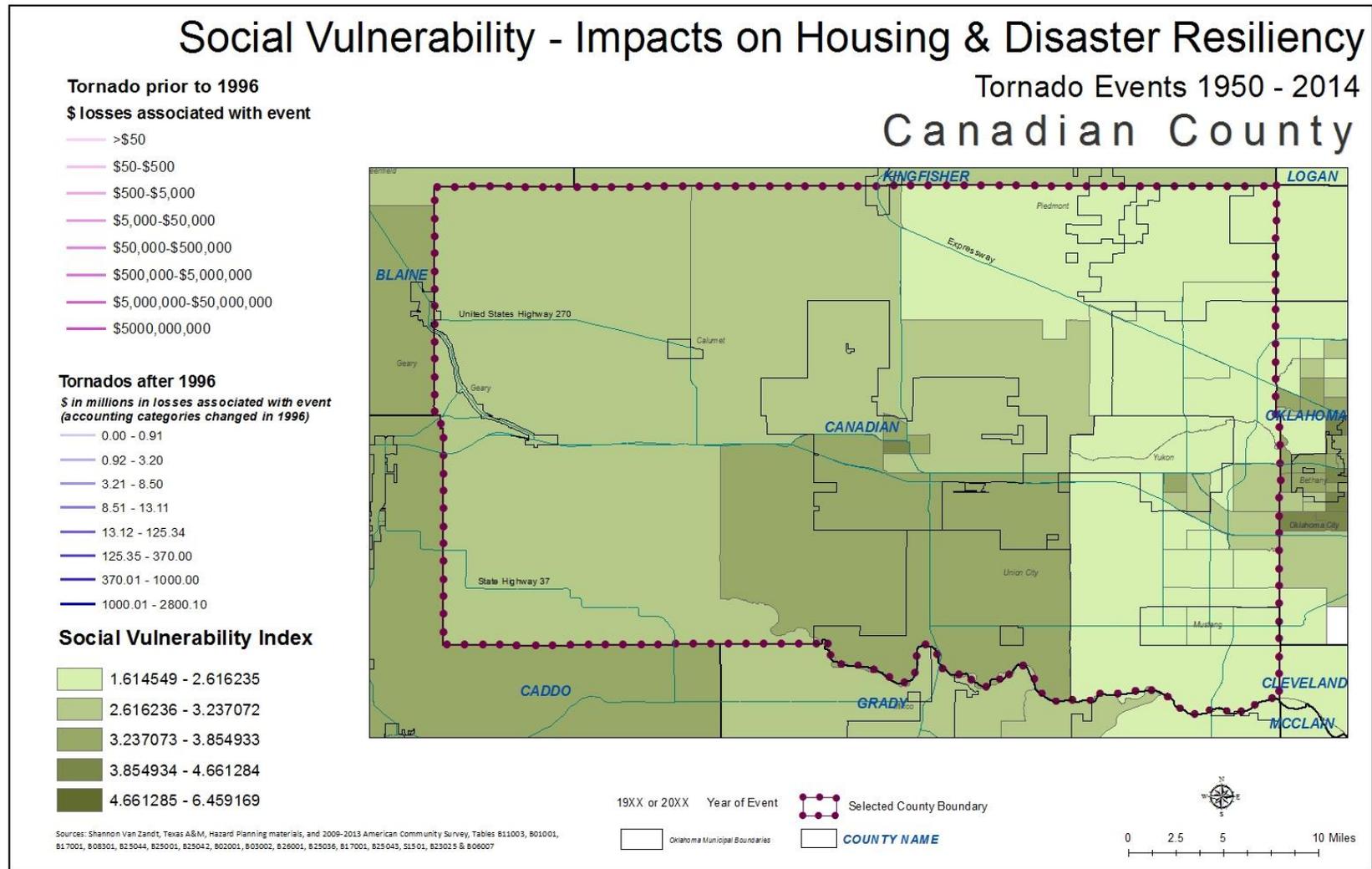


**Mitigation Strategy / Recommendations from HMP:** Safe Rooms should meet or exceed FEMA specifications and windows, doors, and other exterior materials should be reinforced in new developments in Canadian County. Any facilities undergoing expansion, renovation, or rebuilding should consider following updated techniques. Uninterrupted communications and the protection of electronic data should be considered priorities and critical County facilities should be equipped with backup generators. Emergency responders should receive Community Emergency Response Teams training.

For all the county profiles for this study we are providing maps of the historic tornadoes mapped over the developed social vulnerability index. This is in addition to the data prepared and summarized from the HMP in this section.







## Wildfires

**Historical Context:** “From 2000 to 2009 Canadian County fire departments made 1,838 wildfire runs that burned a total of 22,662 acres and did \$1,129,720 in damage. By far the worst year, in terms of damage, was 2006, when 50 wildfires resulted in \$593,350 in losses.”

**Table 4–37: Canadian County Wildfires, 2000-2009**

| Year         | Wildfire Runs | Acres Burned  | Losses           |
|--------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|
| 2000         | 245           | 1,551         | 43,320           |
| 2001         | 204           | 697           | 130,935          |
| 2002         | 238           | 992           | 122,310          |
| 2003         | 167           | 1,731         | 106,180          |
| 2004         | 171           | 706           | 47,985           |
| 2005         | 244           | 899           | 35,170           |
| 2006         | 50            | 3,970         | 593,350          |
| 2007         | 128           | 578           | 14,550           |
| 2008         | 233           | 1,130         | 28,920           |
| 2009         | 158           | 10,398        | 7,000            |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>1,838</b>  | <b>22,662</b> | <b>1,129,720</b> |

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| Fire Department | Date      | Location                         | General Description   |
|-----------------|-----------|----------------------------------|---|
| Calumet VFD     | 2006      |                                  | Total of 41 wildfire runs that burned 5,070 acres and totaled \$100,000 in damage. Of these, 14 burned <1 acre, and 20 burned ≥5 acres. Two fires were very large and are listed below: |
|                 | 3/12/2006 | OK Hwy 37 and Maple Rd           | 3,500 acres of brush and grass burned, causing \$80,000 in damage. The fire burned for 27hrs.   |
|                 | 3/15/2006 | SW 29 <sup>th</sup> and Maple Rd | 1,000 acres burned but no reported damage. The fire burned for 31hrs.   |
| El Reno FD      | 2006      |                                  | Total of 86 wildfire runs that burned 703 acres and caused \$300 in damage. Most burned <1 acre, but 22 fires burned one or more acres. Two fires, listed below, burned over 100 acres: |
|                 | 4/20/2006 | Memorial Rd                      | 100 acres burned for 8.5hrs   |
|                 | 7/4/2006  | Black Kettle                     | 350 acres burned for 9.5hrs   |
| Mustang FD      | 2006      |                                  | Total of 56 wildfire runs, though no acreage or values of losses were recorded  |
| Okarche VFD     | 2006      |                                  | Total of 26 wildfire runs that burned 465 acres and totaled \$7,200 in damage. Of these, 14 burned >1 acre, most between 20 and 40 acres. One, listed below burned more than 100 acres: |
|                 | 3/5/2006  | Unspecified                      | 120 acres of grass burned, causing \$1,500 in damage. The fire burned for 2 ¾ hrs.  |
| Piedmont VFD    | 2006      |                                  | Total of 8 wildfire runs. Six were along Cimarron Rd and one on Edmond Rd.  |

|                |           |   |  |
|----------------|-----------|---|--|
| Union City VFD | 2006      |   | Total of 11 wildfire runs that burned 1,034 acres and did \$43,000 in damage.                    |
|                | 3/15/2006 | Caddo Jake Bridge and 59 <sup>th</sup> St | 350 acres of forest and wildland burned, causing \$2,000 in damage. The fire burned for 26 ¼ hrs |
|                | 3/15/2006 | 37 <sup>th</sup> and Maple Rd             | 320 acres of forest and wildland burned, causing \$12,500 in damage. The fire burned for 3.5hrs. |
|                | 4/13/2006 | Maberry and 44 <sup>th</sup> St           | 350 acres of forest and wildland burned, causing \$17,000 in damage. The fire burned for 5.5hrs  |

**Mitigation Strategy / Recommendations from HMP:** Developers and homeowners should be made aware of how construction materials and landscaping measures can reduce vulnerability. Facilities should be appropriately located and built with fire-resistant building and landscape practices. Removal of Eastern Red Cedar trees should be considered.

#### Urban Fires

**Historical Context:** “During the 10 year period from 2000 to 2009...Canadian County reported a total of 813 structural fires, 15 fatalities, 75 injuries, and approximately \$16.95 million in fire damage...”

**Table 4–31: Canadian County Urban Fire Damages 2000-2009**

| Year   | Single Family |              | Apartment |             | Mobile Homes |           | Other Residential |          | Office/ Commercial |           | Warehouse/ Industrial |             | Total |              |
|--------|---------------|--------------|-----------|-------------|--------------|-----------|-------------------|----------|--------------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------------|-------|--------------|
|        | #             | Dmg          | #         | Dmg         | #            | Dmg       | #                 | Dmg      | #                  | Dmg       | #                     | Dmg         | #     | Dmg          |
| 2000   | 59            | \$797,600    | 9         | \$13,625    | 6            | \$145,000 | 1                 | \$0      | 4                  | \$150,300 | 11                    | \$2,149,800 | 90    | \$3,256,325  |
| 2001   | 71            | \$896,020    | 5         | \$20,210    | 7            | \$5,450   | 2                 | \$500    | 3                  | \$3,000   | 9                     | \$24,600    | 97    | \$949,780    |
| 2002   | 92            | \$1,079,900  | 5         | \$5,500     | 3            | \$41,100  | 4                 | \$46,100 | 7                  | \$21,550  | 9                     | \$64,500    | 120   | \$1,258,650  |
| 2003   | 47            | \$1,014,100  | 9         | \$17,000    | 0            | \$0       | 1                 | \$10,000 | 3                  | \$7,000   | 7                     | \$85,000    | 67    | \$1,133,100  |
| 2004   | 66            | \$412,585    | 10        | \$60,650    | 4            | \$128,200 | 0                 | \$0      | 4                  | \$38,000  | 12                    | \$170,000   | 96    | \$809,435    |
| 2005   | 70            | \$2,647,400  | 11        | \$217,060   | 3            | \$92,500  | 1                 | \$0      | 3                  | \$5,000   | 10                    | \$156,300   | 98    | \$3,118,260  |
| 2006   | 16            | \$618,200    | 2         | \$25,500    | 1            | \$0       | 0                 | \$0      | 0                  | \$0       | 2                     | \$1,750     | 21    | \$645,450    |
| 2007   | 68            | \$1,660,155  | 4         | \$340,000   | 2            | \$7,500   | 1                 | \$0      | 0                  | \$0       | 3                     | \$12,100    | 78    | \$2,019,755  |
| 2008   | 52            | \$1,003,885  | 4         | \$1,388,000 | 3            | \$27,000  | 2                 | \$17,500 | 3                  | \$72,510  | 7                     | \$38,000    | 71    | \$2,546,895  |
| 2009   | 59            | \$718,185    | 6         | \$1,700     | 2            | \$7,200   | 0                 | \$0      | 2                  | \$1,200   | 6                     | \$49,000    | 75    | \$777,285    |
| Totals | 600           | \$10,848,030 | 65        | \$2,089,245 | 31           | \$453,950 | 12                | \$74,100 | 29                 | \$298,560 | 76                    | \$2,751,050 | 813   | \$16,514,935 |

Source: Oklahoma State Fire Marshal

**Table 4–32: Canadian County Urban Fire Damages in Critical Facilities 2000-2009**

| Year   | Nursing |          | Childcare |     | Hospitals |     | Correctional |     | School/ University |          | Public Assembly |           | Total |           |
|--------|---------|----------|-----------|-----|-----------|-----|--------------|-----|--------------------|----------|-----------------|-----------|-------|-----------|
|        | #       | Dmg      | #         | Dmg | #         | Dmg | #            | Dmg | #                  | Dmg      | #               | Dmg       | #     | Dmg       |
| 2000   | 1       | \$10     | 0         | \$0 | 0         | \$0 | 1            | \$0 | 1                  | \$0      | 1               | \$0       | 4     | \$10      |
| 2001   | 1       | \$0      | 0         | \$0 | 0         | \$0 | 0            | \$0 | 1                  | \$100    | 1               | \$500     | 3     | \$600     |
| 2002   | 0       | \$0      | 0         | \$0 | 0         | \$0 | 0            | \$0 | 0                  | \$0      | 5               | \$7,500   | 5     | \$7,500   |
| 2003   | 0       | \$0      | 0         | \$0 | 0         | \$0 | 0            | \$0 | 3                  | \$31,500 | 9               | \$196,500 | 12    | \$228,000 |
| 2004   | 1       | \$0      | 0         | \$0 | 0         | \$0 | 0            | \$0 | 1                  | \$500    | 1               | \$75,000  | 3     | \$75,500  |
| 2005   | 6       | \$10,500 | 0         | \$0 | 0         | \$0 | 0            | \$0 | 0                  | \$0      | 0               | \$0       | 6     | \$10,500  |
| 2006   | 0       | \$0      | 0         | \$0 | 0         | \$0 | 0            | \$0 | 0                  | \$0      | 1               | \$45,000  | 1     | \$45,000  |
| 2007   | 0       | \$0      | 0         | \$0 | 1         | \$0 | 0            | \$0 | 2                  | \$50,000 | 5               | \$13,700  | 8     | \$63,700  |
| 2008   | 1       | \$100    | 0         | \$0 | 0         | \$0 | 0            | \$0 | 1                  | \$0      | 0               | \$0       | 2     | \$100     |
| 2009   | 1       | \$0      | 0         | \$0 | 0         | \$0 | 0            | \$0 | 0                  | \$0      | 0               | \$0       | 1     | \$0       |
| Totals | 11      | \$10,610 | 0         | \$0 | 1         | \$0 | 1            | \$0 | 9                  | \$82,100 | 23              | \$338,200 | 45    | \$430,910 |

**Table 4–33: Canadian County Urban Fire Injuries & Deaths 2000-2009**

| Year   | Civilian Injuries | Civilian Deaths | Firefighter Injuries | Firefighter Deaths | Total Injuries | Total Deaths |
|--------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------|
| 2000   | 3                 | 2               | 5                    | 0                  | 8              | 2            |
| 2001   | 5                 | 1               | 3                    | 0                  | 8              | 1            |
| 2002   | 3                 | 0               | 4                    | 0                  | 7              | 0            |
| 2003   | 2                 | 0               | 2                    | 0                  | 4              | 0            |
| 2004   | 10                | 4               | 2                    | 0                  | 12             | 4            |
| 2005   | 8                 | 4               | 3                    | 0                  | 11             | 4            |
| 2006   | 5                 | 0               | 0                    | 0                  | 5              | 0            |
| 2007   | 3                 | 4               | 4                    | 0                  | 7              | 4            |
| 2008   | 6                 | 0               | 4                    | 0                  | 10             | 0            |
| 2009   | 3                 | 0               | 0                    | 0                  | 3              | 0            |
| Totals | 48                | 15              | 27                   | 0                  | 75             | 15           |

Source: Oklahoma State Fire Marshal

**Mitigation Strategy / Recommendations from HMP:** All facilities should plan for the possibility of water shortages in event of a fire. Another main problem is the age of structures and distance from fire protection facilities, though no solution was offered. The HMP also called to “Establish or expand emergency services protocols...to include equipment, training, and exercise scenarios for high-impact events.”

#### Winter Storms

**Historical Context:** “During the period 1995 through 2009, Canadian County reported 35 ice and snow events...which did a total of \$524.4 million in property damage in Canadian and neighboring counties.”

**Table 4–22: Casualties and Damages Caused by Winter Storms, 1995 - 2009**

| Location        | Events | Deaths | Injuries | Damage Events | Property Damages |
|-----------------|--------|--------|----------|---------------|------------------|
| Canadian County | 35     | 0      | 1        | 7             | 524,430,000      |
| Oklahoma        | 447    | 2      | 7        | 67            | \$732,234,000    |

Source: National Climatic Data Center

| Date                    | Location | General Description   |
|-------------------------|----------|---|
| 12/25/2000 – 12/26/2000 |          | 4-8in of snow, sleet and freezing rain fell in 26 counties, including Canadian County. The freezing rain accumulations were about 1in thick. Falling trees and ice damaged homes and vehicles, and 170,000 people across the state were without power for nearly a week.  |
| 1/30/2002               | El Reno  | Freezing rain fell for 12 to 24hrs with ice accumulations of 1-2in. The worst of the ice damage occurred in a 60mi wide band from Blackwell to El Reno, Minco and Oklahoma City. Many residencies were without power for days and some went 6 weeks without power. Total damage was estimated at \$301 million.   |
| 12/9/2007 – 12/12/2007  |          | Freezing rain caused ice accumulations of 1in. The storm caused the worst power outage in Oklahoma history, and electrical crews from dozens of states worked 12hr shifts to restore power. Fallen power lines also sparked more than 100 structure fires. The local economy suffered due to the timing of the storm on a busy shopping weekend and the pecan crop loss was estimated at \$25 million. Storm cleanup cost about \$200 million. There were also 27 deaths due to the storms. |

**Mitigation Strategy / Recommendations from HMP:** The placement of trees and large shrubs should ensure a reduced risk of power line interference. Burying electric power lines and backup power systems for facilities should be considered.

#### Extreme Heat

**Historical Context:** “Canadian County has experienced 4 excessive heat events in the past 15 years, and five in the past 18 years: in 1994, 1999, 2001, 2006 and 2011.”

**Table 4–24: Casualties and Damages Caused by Extreme Heat**

| Location        | Events | Deaths | Injuries | Damage Events | Property Damages |
|-----------------|--------|--------|----------|---------------|------------------|
| Canadian County | 4      | 31     | 100      | 1             | \$10,000         |
| Oklahoma        | 47     | 91     | 157      | 1             | \$10,000         |

Source: National Climatic Data Center

| Date            | Location | General Description  |
|-----------------|----------|--|
| 8/17/1999       | El Reno  | Temperatures rose into the 90s in mid-July and remained there through early September. A woman in El Reno died in her home on this date.   |
| 7/2001 – 8/2001 | Yukon    | Temperatures remained in the 90s and low 100s until 8/25. A man collapsed at a house in Yukon and died later at the hospital. In July, 8 people died from the heat in Oklahoma City, Edmond, Stillwater, and Lawton. |

|                    |       |  |
|--------------------|-------|--|
| 6/2006 –<br>8/2006 | Yukon | Temperatures rose in June and remained in the 100s for most of July and August. One man died in Yukon on June 20 <sup>th</sup> and 18 more people had died by the end of the heat wave. I-40 and many other streets buckled in the County.           |
| 6/2011 –<br>8/2011 |       | Temperatures rose into the 100s on 58 days, reaching 110°F on 7/9, 8/5 and 8/6. July average temperature was 102.5°F and August average temperature was 102.2°F and El Reno, Piedmont, Yukon, Mustang, and Union City were moved to water rationing. |

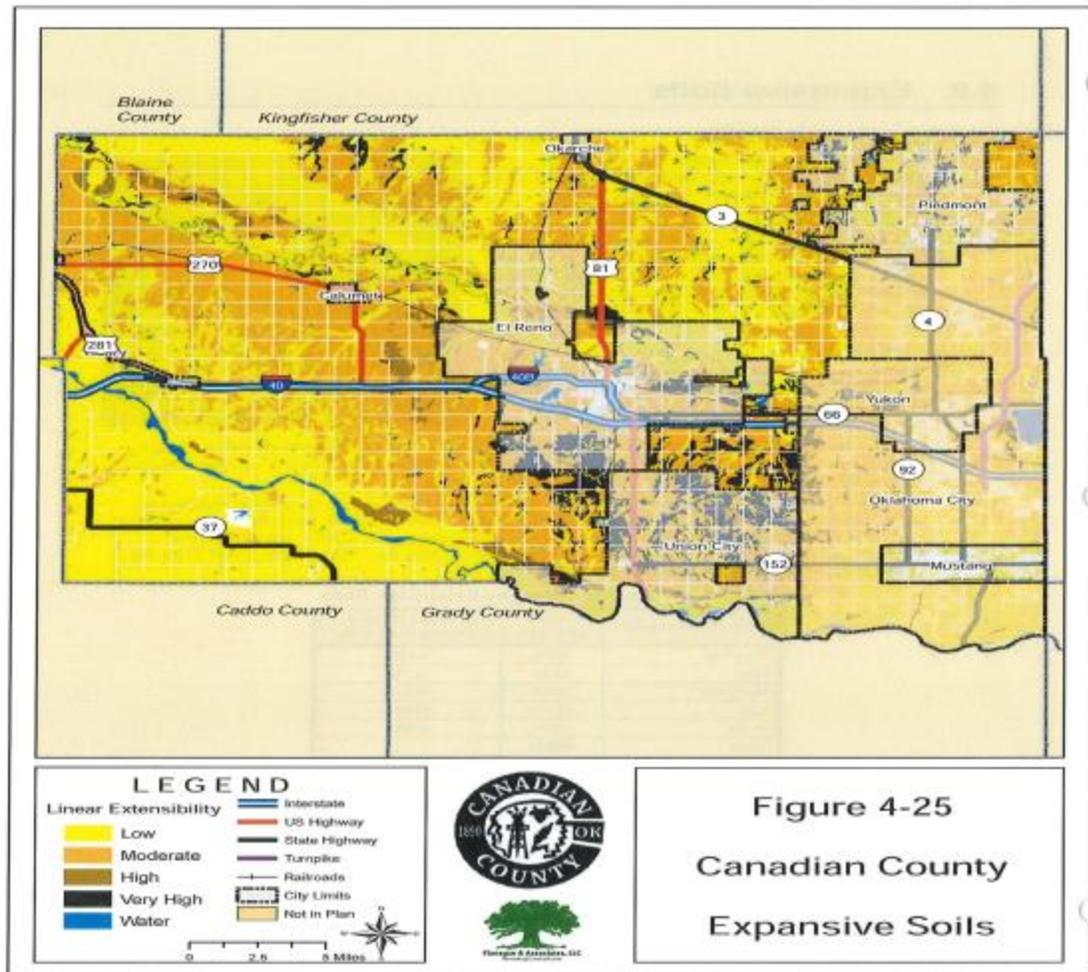
**Mitigation Strategy / Recommendations from HMP:** Ensure that the vulnerable population (elderly, fixed income, compromised health situations, and homeless) are informed about available resources and how to avoid extreme heat illnesses. Facilities should consider backup systems for power. Heat alerts should be issued in a timely manner.

#### Expansive Soils

**Historical Context:** “The history of Canadian County’s expansive soil hazard is difficult to track, since the County does not specifically monitor damage to structures from expansive soils. The County treats all such damage as a maintenance issue. Based on this data, there is no record of exactly how many expansive soil events have occurred in the past.

**Table 4–27: Canadian County Expansive Soils**

| Expansive Potential | Area (Sq. Mi.) | Percent of Total County Land Area |
|---------------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|
| Very High           | 50.26          | 5.56%                             |
| High                | 24.42          | 2.7%                              |
| Moderate            | 370.6          | 41.01%                            |
| Low                 | 441.26         | 48.83%                            |
| Water               | 17.07          | 1.89%                             |
| <b>Total</b>        | <b>903.61</b>  |                                   |



**Mitigation Strategy / Recommendations from HMP:** Damage to structures built during a period of drought followed by rains. The use of PVC or HDPE piping could reduce some of the impact of expansive soils on pipelines. “Explore options for loss-mitigation...including building codes and code-plus options.”

#### Transportation Events

**Historical Context:** “The National Response Center (NRC) lists 32 highway transportation releases, 14 railroad incidents (five involving the release of hazardous materials), and 13 pipeline releases of hazardous substances. There were no aircraft incidents reported for Canadian County in the NRC’s data base.”

Table 4-49: Canadian County Transportation Events 1996-2005

| Date                                  | Location  | Nearest City | Suspected Responsible Party | Material                 |
|---------------------------------------|---|--------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Truck/Highway Transport Spills</b> |   |              |                             |                          |
| 04/17/10                              | Oil dumped by vehicles at construction site                         | Banner       | Duit Construction           | Unknown oil              |
| 04/13/09                              | 150-200 35-gal. containers dumped near landfill                     | El Reno      | Unknown                     | Sodium nitrate           |
| 03/25/09                              | Load shift damages drum, releasing product                          | OKC          | SAIA Motor Freight          | Benzaldehyde             |
| 03/04/09                              | 300 gal. Sodium hypochlorite spilled from damaged tote              | Calumet      | Halliburton                 | Sodium hypochlorite      |
| 10/20/08                              | Open vent valve on truck from operator error                        | Mustang      | Hamm & Phillips             | Oily water               |
| 03/18/08                              | 20 gal. spilled into ditch from tank due to pump failure            | Yukon        | BCM Oklahoma                | Diesel fuel              |
| 08/13/07                              | 15 gal. spilled from portable tank onto roadway                     | Piedmont     | Sonoco Pipeline             | Crude oil                |
| 12/23/05                              | Converted bus blew engine spilling oil                              | El Reno      | Private party               | Motor oil                |
| 06/26/05                              | 20 gal. spilled onto roadway  | El Reno      | Cal-Cleve, Ltd.             | Misc. paints, varnishes  |
| 06/22/05                              | Trucks dumping oil from equipment                                   | El Reno      | Cactus Drilling             | Unknown oil              |
| 06/21/05                              | Eight 55-gal. drums with unknown chemical dug up                    | Mustang      | Unknown                     | Unknown chemical         |
| 11/25/03                              | Tote fell from truck and was struck by another truck                | Union City   | Schlumberger                | Friction reducer         |
| 12/26/02                              | 2 barrels spilled onto gravel due to equipment failure              | OKC          | Enogex                      | NG condensate            |
| 12/05/02                              | Weld on acid tank failed, spilling 150 gallons of acid              | OKC          | OG&E                        | Sulfuric acid            |
| 07/06/02                              | 5 gal. container and 2 batteries dumped on ground                   | Mustang      | Superior Ready Mix          | Battery acid             |
| 09/18/01                              | Truck turns over rupturing saddle tank                              | Mustang      | Marathon Transport          | Oil, fuel                |
| 07/21/01                              | 3 gal. spilled onto roadway from portable tank                      | Yukon        | Consolidated Freightway     | Cleaning liquid          |
| 07/01/01                              | 22 gal. spilled onto roadway  | El Reno      | Cal-Cleve, Ltd.             | Misc. paints, varnishes  |
| 06/01/01                              | 1 gal. flammable liquids spilled onto roadway                       | El Reno      | Cal-Cleve, Ltd.             | Flammable liquid         |
| 04/07/01                              | 1 gal. spilled onto roadway   | El Reno      | Cal-Cleve, Ltd.             | Misc. paints, varnishes  |
| 10/18/00                              | Valve on ammonia storage tank releasing material                    | Union City   | El Reno Grain               | Anhydrous ammonia        |
| 07/17/00                              | Truck spilled gasoline from fuel tank                               | Yukon        | Leroy Lightfe Trucking      | Unleaded gasoline        |
| 05/01/00                              | Car collides with truck causing spill of 200 gal.                   | El Reno      | Domino Transport            | Unleaded gasoline        |
| 06/14/99                              | 10 gal. paint and varnishes spilled onto roadway                    | El Reno      | Jevic Transport.            | Misc. paints, varnishes  |
| 12/29/98                              | 5 gal. spilled from truck   | Calumet      | YRC Inc.                    | Dichloromethane          |
| 10/16/98                              | 84 gal. spilled onto roadway  | El Reno      | Koch Pipeline               | Crude Oil                |
| 07/07/98                              | 1,335 gal. spilled from tanker truck hit by car                     | Mustang      | Red Rock Distrib.           | Gasoline                 |
| 03/05/98                              | 42 gal. spilled onto roadway  | El Reno      | Koch Pipeline               | Crude oil                |
| 09/12/96                              | Tanker truck, one vehicle accident                                  | OKC          | Oklahoma Tank Line          | Oil, diesel              |
| 01/26/96                              | 168 gal. spilled from portable tank on truck                        | El Reno      | Koch Resources              | Crude oil                |
| 09/07/95                              | 3 gal. wood preservative spilled onto roadway                       | El Reno      | Consolidated Freightway     | Wood preservative        |
| <b>Railroad Release</b>               |   |              |                             |                          |
| 07/28/09                              | Truck and train collision, truck driver killed                      | Union City   | Union Pacific               | Oil, diesel fuel         |
| 06/20/09                              | Truck and train collision causes releases from both                 | El Reno      | Union Pacific               | Oil, diesel              |
| 12/06/06                              | Lubrication oil discharged from train in Jones yard                 | El Reno      | Union Pacific               | Misc. oil                |
| 05/15/06                              | Train and car collision at railroad crossing                        | Yukon        | Union Pacific               | Non-release              |
| 04/20/06                              | Train derailment  | El Reno      | Union Pacific               | Non-release              |
| 03/07/06                              | Train/vehicle collision at crossing, derailment, 1 fatality         | Yukon        | Union Pacific               | Oil, diesel fuel         |
| 12/02/05                              | Locomotive and 10 cars derailed, causes unknown                     | Union City   | Union Pacific               | Unknown                  |
| 02/15/05                              | Train and car collision at Woodson St. crossing                     | El Reno      | Union Pacific               | Non-release              |
| 02/25/02                              | Unknown number of cars derailed from freight train                  | Union City   | Union Pacific               | Sulfuric acid            |
| 10/18/01                              | 10 cars derailed from a train carrying rock                         | Concho       | Union Pacific               | Aggregate                |
| 12/31/99                              | 23 empty rail cars derailed   | Concho       | Union Pacific               | Non-release              |
| 03/13/99                              | Car collides with train at Morgan Rd. crossing                      | OKC          | Union Pacific (?)           | Non-release              |
| 08/14/98                              | 11 cars derailed from freight train                                 | El Reno      | Union Pacific (?)           | Non-release              |
| 12/12/96                              | Southbound train and car collision                                  | El Reno      | Union Pacific (?)           | Non-release              |
| <b>Pipeline Spills</b>                |   |              |                             |                          |
| 10/11/07                              | Third party strikes 16" pipeline with digger                        | OKC          | Centurion Pipeline          | Crude oil                |
| 04/23/07                              | Pipeline corrosion causes leak into pond                            | Geary        | Plains Pipeline             | Crude oil                |
| 05/23/06                              | 10" pipeline leaks into dry creek                                   | Okarche      | Duke Field Serv.            | Condensate, water        |
| 02/06/06                              | Equipment failure releases 20 barrels into North Canadian tributary | Geary        | Plains Pipeline             | Crude oil, water         |
| 01/10/05                              | Pin hole leak in 6" pipeline due to corrosion                       | El Reno      | ONEOK Field Serv.           | Crude oil, NG condensate |
| 07/30/04                              | Pipeline break  | El Reno      | Enogex                      | Natural gas              |
| 02/28/03                              | Frozen pipe causes break and release                                | OKC          | Duke Field Serv.            | Crude oil, water         |
| 03/07/02                              | Backhoe damages pipeline  | Yukon        | Unknown                     | Carbon dioxide           |
| 01/10/01                              | Release from natural gas pipeline                                   | El Reno      | ONEOK Field Serv.           | NG condensate            |
| 07/17/00                              | Third party cuts into 4" plastic pipeline                           | OKC          | OK Natural Gas              | Natural gas              |
| 05/14/99                              | Corrosion results in pipeline leak                                  | Piedmont     | GPM Gas Corp.               | Natural gas              |
| 10/08/97                              | Fire in NG distribution line during maintenance                     | Canadian Co. | GPM Gas Corp.               | NG condensate            |
| 07/18/97                              | Slop oil storage tank hit by lightning                              | Piedmont     | GPM Gas Corp.               | NG condensate            |

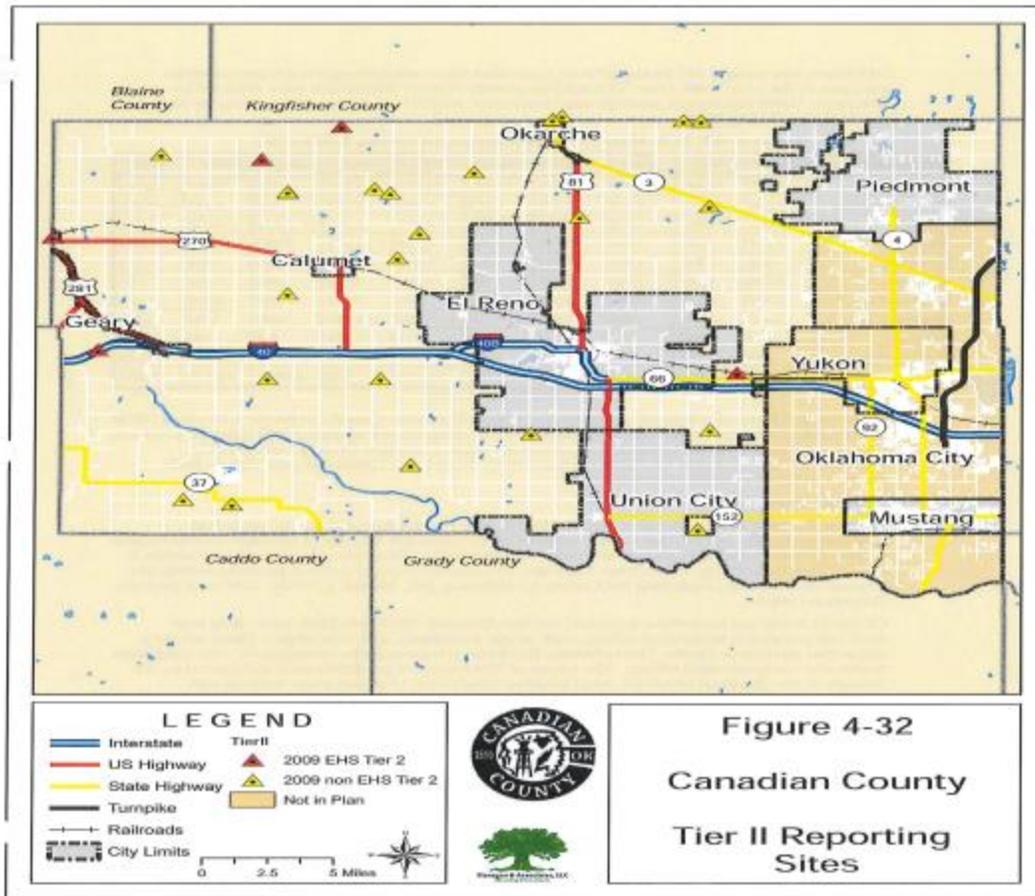
**Mitigation Strategy / Recommendations from HMP:** “Identify needs for and implement additional emergency operations plans and services to facilitate response to potential mass casualty transportation incidents, including emergency alerts, evacuation plans, and exercises.”

#### Fixed Site Hazardous Material Events

**Historical Context:** “In Canadian County, the majority of hazardous materials events are due to the production and/or transportation of hydrocarbons, or their use in manufacturing processes. There were 9 fixed site hazardous material events in Canadian County in the period from 2000 to 2010... Almost half occurred at the Xenox facility...”

**Table 4–42: Canadian County Fixed Site Hazardous Materials Events**

| Date     | Incident                                      | Location                      | Responsible Party    | Nearest City | Medium Affected | Released Material         |
|----------|---|-------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| 05/23/11 | Tornado strikes NG pipeline facility          | I-40 & Calumet Rd.            | Nature               | Calumet      | Air             | Natural gas               |
| 01/06/11 | Reactor releases Butadiene and Styrene        | 100 N. Mustang Rd.            | Xerox                | Yukon        | Air             | Butadiene, Styrene        |
| 04/12/10 | Mining dust stirred up by trucks on site      | OK Hwy 66 & Gregory Rd.       | Canadian CPI Pipe    | Yukon        | Air             | Mining dust               |
| 02/12/08 | Butadiene released from vent stack            | 100 N. Mustang Rd.            | Xerox                | Yukon        | Air             | Butadiene                 |
| 12/06/07 | Release of drilling mud                       | 10 W. Karns Rd.               | Devon Energy         | Calumet      | Water           | Oil drilling mud          |
| 05/09/07 | Tornado damaged transformer                   | 2300 Holloway Ave.            | OGE                  | El Reno      | Water           | Polychlorinated Biphenyls |
| 07/28/05 | Release of Butadiene from resin reactor       | 100 N. Mustang Rd.            | Xerox                | Yukon        | Air             | Butadiene                 |
| 12/10/01 | Dumping of caustic soda, lime and sulfa       | 320 Piedmont Rd. N.           | R B Pet Products     | Piedmont     | Land            | Sulfur                    |
| 06/26/01 | House explosion                               | 704 S. Mayhan                 | Unknown              | El Reno      | Air             | Natural gas               |
| 03/19/01 | Glycol unit caught fire                       | Yukon                         | Duke Energy          | Yukon        | Air             | Glycol                    |
| 11/13/00 | Reactor contents emptied into pit             | 100 N. Mustang Rd.            | Xerox                | Yukon        | Air             | Butadiene                 |
| 09/19/99 | Pit shop vault problem releases Butadiene     | 100 N. Mustang Rd.            | Xerox                | Yukon        | Air             | Butadiene                 |
| 04/02/99 | Hazmat waste tank overflows                   | 100 N. Mustang Rd.            | Xerox                | Yukon        | Air             | Volatile compound         |
| 12/10/98 | Release from resin plant                      | 100 N. Mustang Rd.            | Xerox                | Yukon        | Air             | Butadiene                 |
| 11/20/98 | Release from resin plant                      | 100 N. Mustang Rd.            | Xerox                | Yukon        | Air             | Butadiene                 |
| 10/31/98 | Resin plant reactor catastrophic seal failure | 100 N. Mustang Rd.            | Xerox                | Yukon        | Air             | Butadiene                 |
| 09/19/98 | Dumping refrigerants                          | 12825 SW 58 <sup>th</sup>     | Allied Refrigeration | Mustang      | Air             | Refrigerants              |
| 08/16/98 | Dumping paint thinners on ground              | 13448 Lake Shore Dr.          | Resident             | Piedmont     | Land            | Paint, thinners           |
| 05/20/97 | Compressor leak                               | 10 mi. N of El Reno           | Delhi Gas Pipeline   | El Reno      | Land            | Oil, lubricant            |
| 11/20/97 | Pump seal failure on tank                     | 100 N. Mustang Rd.            | Xerox                | Yukon        | Air             | Butadiene                 |
| 02/08/97 | Resin plant over-pressurization               | 100 N. Mustang Rd.            | Xerox                | Yukon        | Air             | Butadiene                 |
| 04/22/96 | Oil tank struck by lightning causing fire     | 11200 NW 10 <sup>th</sup> St. | Kerr-McGeo           | Yukon        | Water           | Crude oil                 |
| 11/19/95 | Oil from well leaked into stream              |                               |                      | Union City   |                 | Crude oil                 |
| 06/08/95 | Drums of oil found in creek                   | 3606 E. Elm St.               | Unknown              |              | Water           | Methanol                  |



**Mitigation Strategy / Recommendations from HMP:** “Provide for necessary construction, renovation, retrofitting or refurbishment to protect against Tier 2 releases of hazardous chemicals in appropriate government buildings.” New construction should minimize risks to their occupants caused by hazardous materials. Emergency services should plan emergency alerts and evacuation plans for HazMat events

#### **C.2.1.2; C.2.1.6; C.2.1.7; C.2.1.8 Shelters from Disaster Event**

Nowhere in the documents is there a mention of how many shelters are in the County, though they are discussed a few times in sections pertaining to tornadoes. For example, it was pointed out that schools using hallways as shelters could result in loss of life due to the wind tunnel effect. The Hazard Mitigation Plan calls on two mitigation measures for tornado shelters in Chapter 6:

- “15. Provide employee shelters/safe-rooms at critical facilities, such as 911 Center, fire stations and police stations to protect first responders.”
- “17: Install Safe-Rooms in new and retrofit existing Schools.” – in Banner Public Schools, Calumet PS, Darlington PS, El Reno PS, Maple PS, Mustang PS, Okarche PS, Piedmont PS, Union City PS, Canadian Valley Tech, Redlands Community College

### **C.2.1.3 Public Policy and Governance to Build Disaster Resiliency**

Canadian County does not have a planning commission and therefore does not have a comprehensive plan for unincorporated areas of the County. The County also does not enforce building codes however individual towns do follow the up to date regulations. The County does not have planning or zoning regulations in these areas with the exception of the floodplain regulations adopted in 1999. The County has been a member of the National Flood Insurance Program since 1987.

The following towns and institutions have reviewed and analyzed the risk assessment studies for the natural hazards and hazardous material events that may impact them: Canadian County, Calumet, Okarche, Union City, El Reno, and Piedmont; the public school districts of Banner, Calumet, Darlington, El Reno, Maple, Mustang, Okarche, Piedmont, and Union City; and the post-secondary educational institutions of Canadian Valley Technology Center District No. 6 and Redlands Community College.

The Hazard Mitigation Plan calls to adopt three different shelter- and generator-specific policies and ordinances in Chapter 6 to:

- 19. Register safe rooms and create a GIS data base to locate these in the event of a disaster
- 21. Require new mobile home parks to provide storm shelters/safe rooms for their residents.
- 27. Require a generator pad and wiring/transfer switches for elder care facilities and nursing homes to accommodate a generator.

### **C.2.1.4 Local Emergency Response Agency Structure**

The Hazard Mitigation Plan covers a wide array of mitigation measures, covering everything from storm shelters/safe rooms to public awareness and education to suggestions to adopt ordinances.

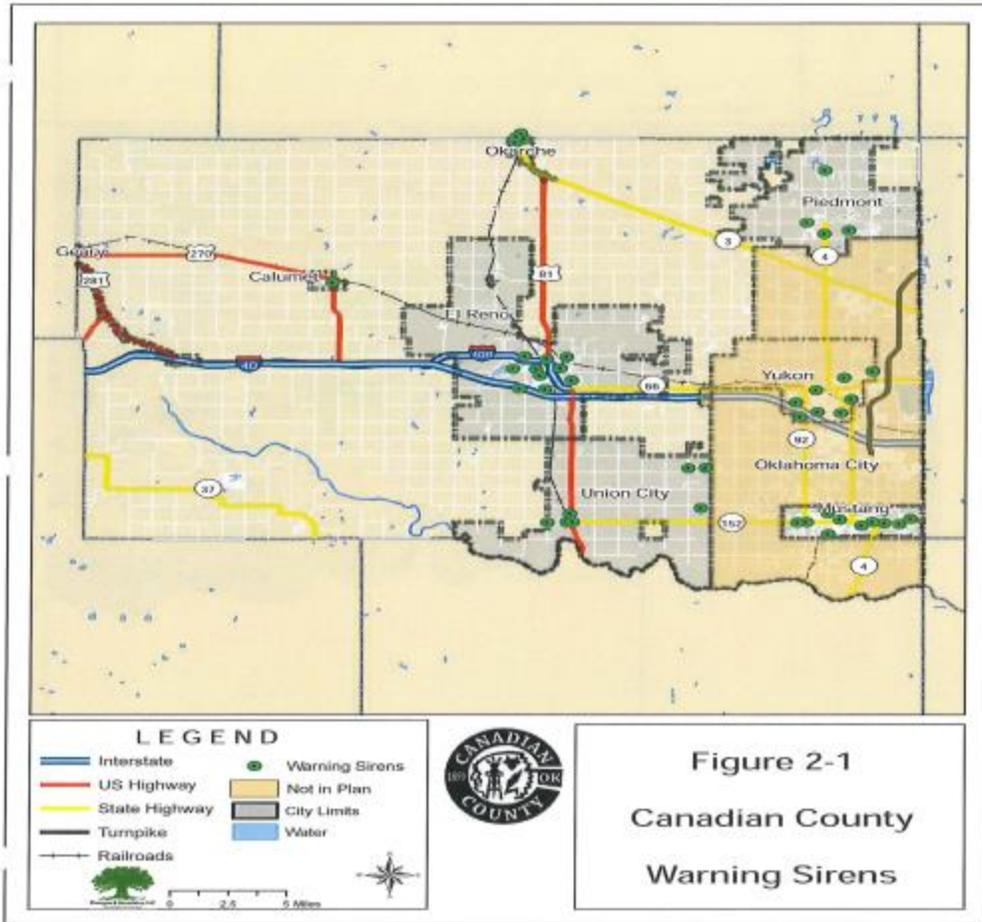
Canadian County has an Emergency Operations Plan in place, stating that the Sheriff's Department assists with storm spotting and the Emergency Manager provides damage assessment. It also mentions that there is no EOP in place for the unincorporated areas of the County.

### **C.2.1.5 Threat & Hazard Warning Systems**

The identified Threat & Hazard Warning Systems for Canadian County include:

- Outdoor Sirens
- 2-1-1 system
- NOAA radio
- Television
- Oklahoma Mesonet
- National Warning System (NAWAS)
- SkyWarn
- Oklahoma Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (OLETS)
- Newspapers (for educational purposes)

The County – not including Oklahoma City – has a total of 28 sirens that exist in urban areas. These can be electronically activated by authorized personnel such as fire fighters, Emergency Management Directors, or Civil Defense Directors.



## Social Vulnerability

Based on the research work done by the Texas A&M University Hazard Reduction and Recovery Center, an added component is being included in this section. Social vulnerability can place households at a further disadvantage during and after a disaster. This analysis is assessing for the county the levels of social vulnerability based on demographic indicators to highlight 'hotspots' or counties that have higher social vulnerability. That combined with Hazard Mitigation Plans – or lack thereof – can highlight places where additional work is needed to reduce impacts on households.

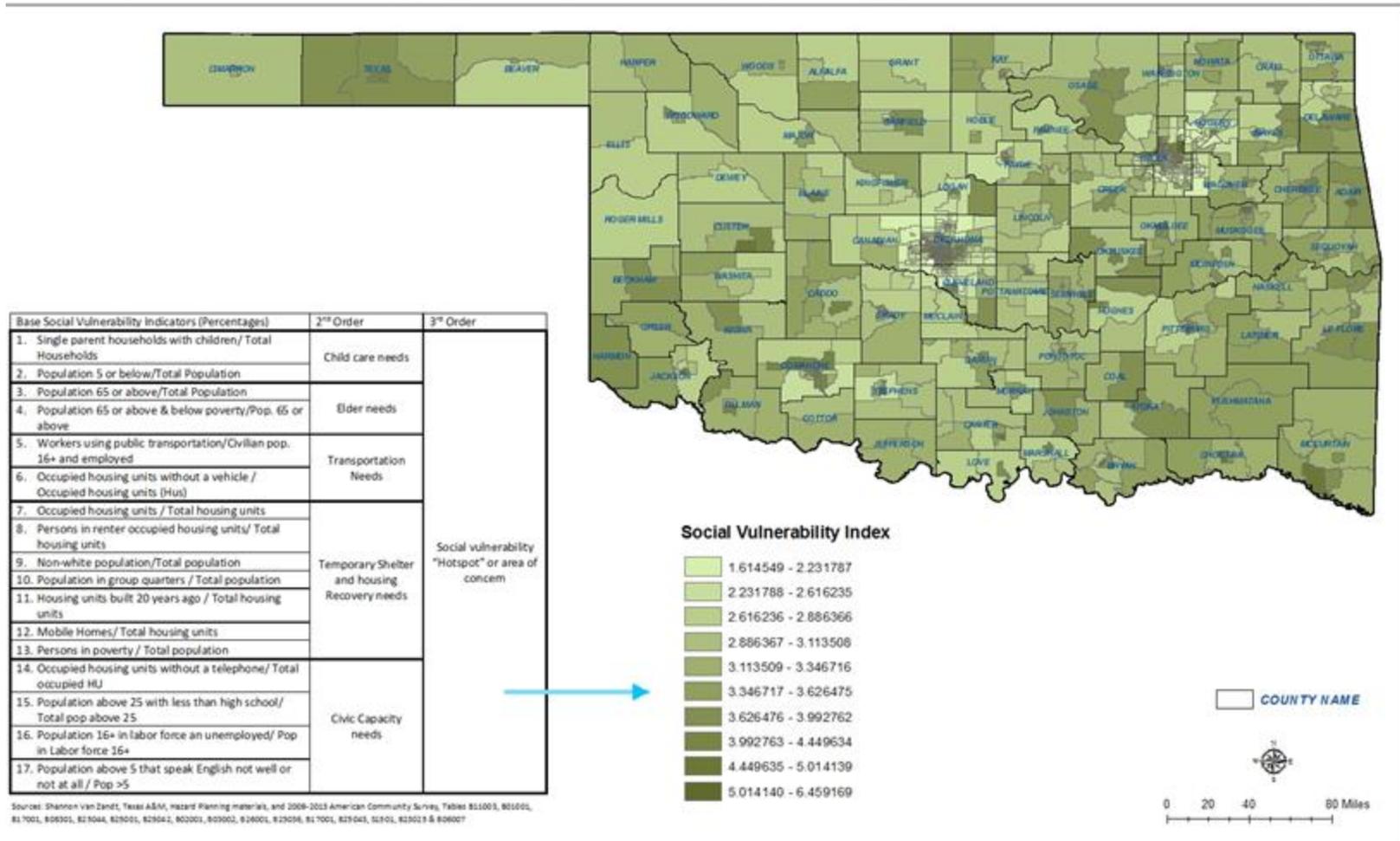
### Social Vulnerability Analysis - Canadian County

| Base Social Vulnerability Indicators (%)                  |        | 2nd Order   | 3rd Order  |
|---|--------|---|--|
| 1.) Single Parent Households                              | 11.95% | 0.192   | <b>2.634<br/>Social Vulnerability<br/>'Hotspot' or Area of<br/>Concern</b> |
| 2.) Population Under 5                                    | 7.20%  | (Child Care Needs)                                      |  |
| 3.) Population 65 or Above                                | 11.33% | 0.159   |  |
| 4.) Population 65 or Above & Below Poverty Rate           | 4.58%  | (Elder Needs)   |  |
| 5.) Workers Using Public Transportation                   | 0.14%  | 0.033   |  |
| 6.) Occupied Housing Units w/o Vehicle                    | 3.14%  | (Transportation Needs)                                  |  |
| 7.) Housing Unit Occupancy Rate                           | 91.00% | 2.069<br>(Temporary Shelter and Housing Recovery Needs) |  |
| 8.) Rental Occupancy Rate                                 | 22.74% |   |  |
| 9.) Non-White Population                                  | 20.87% |   |  |
| 10.) Population in Group Quarters                         | 1.92%  |   |  |
| 11.) Housing Units Built Prior to 1990                    | 57.40% |   |  |
| 12.) Mobile Homes, RVs, Vans, etc.                        | 5.94%  |   |  |
| 13.) Poverty Rate   | 7.00%  |   |  |
| 14.) Housing Units Lacking Telephones                     | 1.47%  | 0.181<br>(Civic Capacity Needs)                         |  |
| 15.) Age 25+ With Less Than High School Diploma           | 8.60%  |   |  |
| 16.) Unemployment Rate                                    | 5.20%  |   |  |
| 17.) Age 5+ Which Cannot Speak English Well or Not At All | 2.86%  |   |  |

Sources: Shannon Van Zandt, Texas A&M, Hazard Planning materials, and 2009-2013 American Community Survey, Tables B11003, B01001, B17001, B08301, B25044, B25001, B25042, B02001, B03002, B26001, B25036, B17001, B25043, S1501, B23025 & B06007



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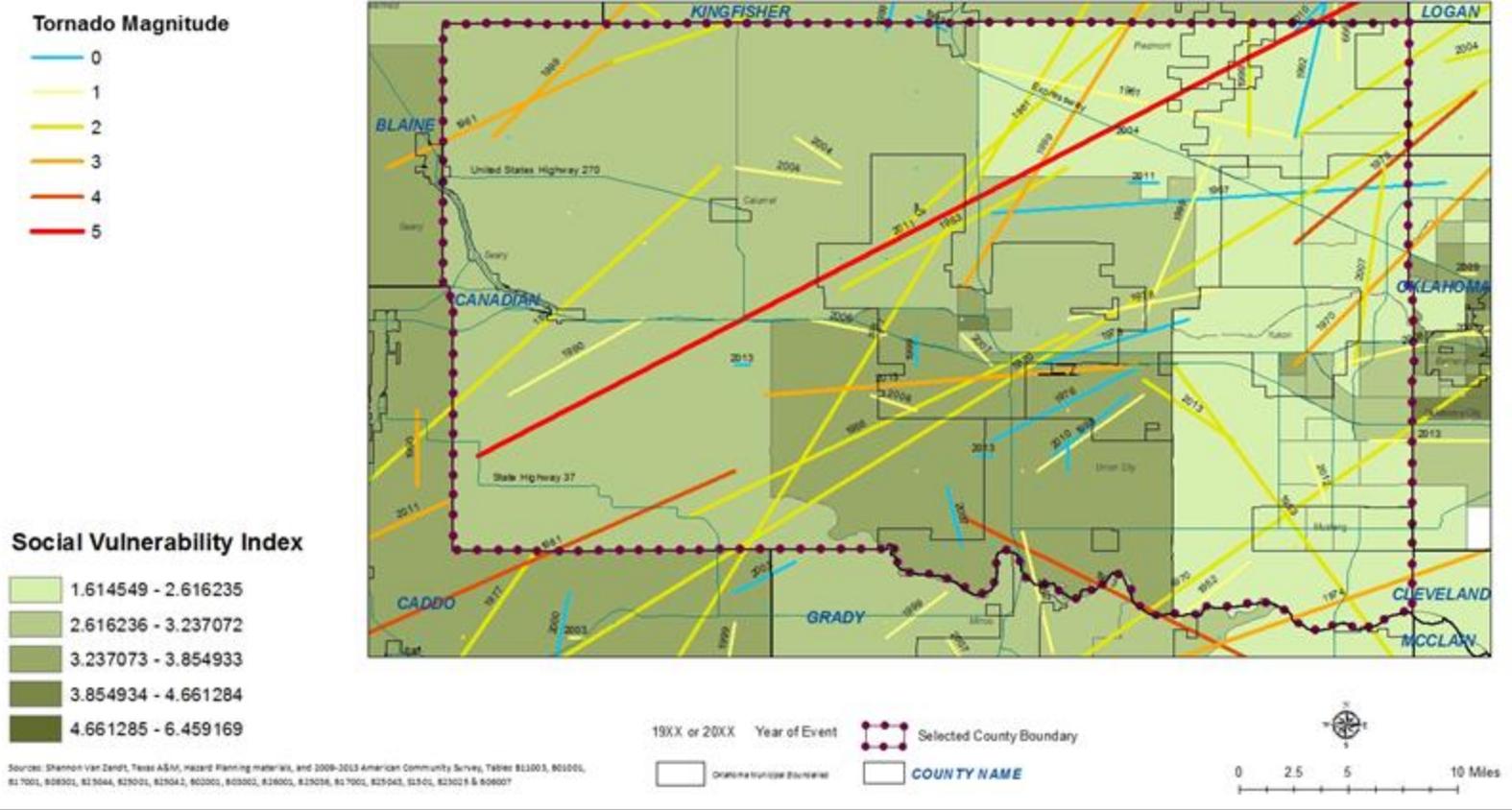


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# Social Vulnerability - Impacts on Housing & Disaster Resiliency

## Tornado Events 1950 - 2014

### Canadian County



Social vulnerability combined with the devastating impacts of a natural or man-made disaster can compound a household's ability to recover and in fact can place those individuals at an even greater gap or disadvantage prior to the event (Shannon Van Zandt, Texas A&M, Hazard Planning).

This county falls below the average or the state score per this index for social vulnerability when comparing as a county to other counties in the state. Central census tracts have increased social vulnerability and attention to these areas during an event as well as part of recovery efforts could be helpful.

Recommendations for this county:

- Continue to update and maintain the county HMP and include attention to areas within the county that in addition to physical vulnerability may have compounding social vulnerability factors.
- Efforts to strengthen building codes related to tornadoes and natural disasters should be considered.
- Planning for shelters from disaster events for multifamily, HUD and LIHTC units, in addition to all housing in the community should be incorporated with any effort to increase housing.