



Montana Floodplain Program Preparedness Call

May 27, 2020 Agenda

The intent of this call is to provide a quick overview of programmatic issues, concerns, and responsibilities under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) prior to, during, and after flood events. In establishing the format of the conference call/webinar, we are hoping to keep the official briefing of the meeting and update to only 15 – 30 minutes. Then we will open the call up to questions for interested parties. We will invite state and federal partners on the call to answer questions following the official briefing.

Official Briefing Agenda

Roles and Responsibilities Throughout Flood Events

1. Flood declaration process
 - Local: Check with your Emergency Manager
 - State: <http://readyandsafe.mt.gov/Emergency/Response>
 - Federal
 - i. FEMA Disaster Declaration Process
 - ii. SBA
2. Federal role: Provides support when requested through the state
 - Human Resources
 - Funding
 - Materials
3. State role
 - Outreach
 - i. PSAs/Press Releases
 - ii. Handouts for community
 - Coordination
 - i. Declarations
 - ii. PA/IA Visits
 - iii. Phone numbers for text communication

4. Local Floodplain Administrator's Role

- Outreach
- Coordination
- Planning
- Technical Assistance
- Emergency Permitting
- Recovery efforts
 - i. Permitting
 - ii. Substantial Damage/Substantial Improvement
 - iii. SDE 3.0 - <http://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/18692>
- Insurance Assistance
- Public Assistance/Individual Assistance
- Floods after Fire

Additional Information on On-going Flood Coordination Efforts

Agency/State/Federal Coordination

- Working with state and federal agencies on on-going efforts to be prepared for the next few months.

Public Outreach

1. Press Releases/Media Contact
 - 2/5: MT Insurance Commissioner released a radio PSA on flood insurance
 - 3/30: MT Floodplain CAP released TV PSA with Director Tubbs on spring flooding
 - 5/22: MT DNRC Floodplain CAP/Fire working on TV PSA for floods after fire – will run in June
2. Social Media
 - Working on coordination with key social media contacts
3. Other Advertising
 - Working with other partners to advertise flood preparedness information.

Community Preparedness

1. Flood Coordination Calls for Floodplain Administrators
 - i. 5/27/20: Invited Floodplain Administrators on Spring Flooding Preparedness Call weekly, or weekly, as needed

2. DNRC Highground Newsletter
3. Email Correspondence to Floodplain Administrators
4. Meetings and Trainings
 - ASFPM Annual Conference – Virtual

Flood Response and Recovery

1. Disaster Declarations
 - Local
 - i. February: Teton County
 - State
 - i. None declared at this time
 - Federal
 - i. No requests at this time
2. Floodplain Administrators Primary Duties during response and recovery
 - General Flooding Calls
 - i. Prepare your community
 - ii. Directing Calls to other agencies or departments
 - iii. Keeping an active log on response and recovery issues
 - Insurance Inquires
 - Permitting
 - i. Outreach to property owners
 - ii. Emergency Permitting procedures
 - iii. Keeping an active log on response and recovery issues
 - iv. PA projects and requirements
 - Community Response and Recovery Plans
 - Substantial Damage Assessments
 - i. SD Estimator – working on upcoming training efforts
 - IA and PA Activity
 - i. Visits
 - ii. Permits
3. Data Collection (aerial photography, high water marks, peak discharge estimates, etc.)