



2019 Montana Floodplain Resource Seminar How Do You Levee The Flood Risk In Your Community?

September 10 - 13, 2019

Fort Peck Interpretive Center and Museum
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The Floodplain Resource Seminar offers free training on various topics to Montana's floodplain professionals and others interested. All sessions will take place at the Fork Peck Interpretive Center. Snacks and beverages will be provided. See the "Target Audience" listed for each session in order to assure you make the best use of your time.

Anyone may register for the sessions at the link below. CFM Exams takers will need to apply through ASFPM.

For the Eastern Montana Hydrology Summit on Thursday and Friday, please register with Brandon Bigelbach, brandon.bigelbach@noaa.gov, or Todd Chambers, todd.chambers@noaa.gov with the National Weather Service.

Registration: https://app.mt.gov/cgi-bin/confreg2/index.cgi?CONFERENCE_ID=7784&ACTION=INTRO

Tuesday, 9/10 (Concurrent Tracks)

NFIP Overview

▶ NFIP Overview and Exam Prep Workshop

9:00am – 12:00pm

Fish Wildlife and Parks – Glasgow Office

Target Audience: Those taking the CFM Exam (but anyone may sit in)

CECs: To be announced

Presenters

Worby McNamee – DNRC Floodplain Program

Description

This is an interactive review session covering various aspects of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). This class provides a unique opportunity for participants to ask specific questions about the NFIP and the CFM Exam. It will include general floodplain topics that are often addressed at the local level and those topics that appear in the Exam.

CFM Exam

CFM Exam

1:00pm – 4:00pm

Fish, Wildlife, and Parks – Glasgow Office

Target Audience: Only those who have applied to ASFPM to take the exam

CECs: 0

Exam Proctor

Worby McNamee – DNRC Floodplain Program

Description

This is the exam for the professional certification of floodplain managers provided by the Association of State Floodplain Managers (ASFPM). Application for the CFM Exam is made through ASFPM and is separate from 2019 Floodplain Resource Seminar registration. Please be sure to both register for the Floodplain Resource Seminar session and apply to take the exam with ASFPM.

Exam takers must apply to ASFPM by September 1, 2019 at the link below.

<http://www.floods.org/index.asp?menuid=405&firstlevelmenuid=180&siteid=1>

Levees

Local Levee Workshop

8:00am – 5:00pm

Fort Peck Interpretive Center

Target Audience: Community Officials (Elected officials, Floodplain Administrators, Emergency Coordinators, Local Levee Committees and Planners) in communities with existing levees.

CECs: To be announced

Presenters

FEMA and United State Army Corp. of Engineers(USACE) Representatives – Representatives with both agencies with levee and levee funding experience.

Nadene Wadsworth – DNRC Floodplain Mapping Program

Tiffany Lyden, CFM – DNRC Floodplain Mapping Program

Description

A workshop specific to the levee mapping processes for accredited and non-accredited levees. A special creative financing workshop will be presented by FEMA for levee communities. DNRC Mapping will also provide an update on future mapping projects.

Due to limited space, attendees will need to register for this workshop by contacting Nadene Wadsworth:

Nadene.Wadsworth@mt.gov or 406-444-6732.

Wednesday, 9/11

Introduction

▶ **Introduction and Program Overview**

8:30am – 8:40am

Fort Peck Interpretive Center

Target Audience: Community Officials (Elected officials, Floodplain Administrators, Emergency Coordinators, Local Levee Committees and Planners)

CECs: To be announced

Presenter

Worby McNamee – DNRC Floodplain Program

National Weather Service

▶ **National Weather Service Forecast and Service Overview**

8:40am – 9:10am

Fort Peck Interpretive Center

Target Audience: Community Officials (Elected officials, Floodplain Administrators, Emergency Coordinators, Local Levee Committees and Planners)

CECs: To be announced

Presenter

Glasgow National Weather Service

Description

Short and long-range weather forecasts for Montana. Brief overview on the services provided by NWS and changes to their websites.

NFIP Overview

▶ **NFIP Overview**

9:10am – 9:30am

Fort Peck Interpretive Center

Target Audience: Community Officials (Elected officials, Floodplain Administrators, Emergency Coordinators, Local Levee Committees and Planners)

CECs: To be announced

Presenter

Worby McNamee – DNRC Floodplain Program

Description

Brief overview of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) and community responsibilities.

Floodplain Mapping

► Floodplain Mapping and Overview of Mapping Updates

9:30am – 10:00am

Fort Peck Interpretive Center

Target Audience: Community Officials (Elected officials, Floodplain Administrators, Emergency Coordinators, Local Levee Committees and Planners)

CECs: To be announced

Presenter

Tiffany Lyden – DNRC Floodplain Mapping Program

Nadene Wadsworth – DNRC Floodplain Mapping Program

Description

Brief overview of the floodplain maps, flood studies, and how existing floodplain maps get updated. The session will cover the new flood studies being undertaken in the Milk River basin as well as other areas of the state, and the process to update existing floodplain maps with the new flood study information.

Break

► Break

10:00am – 10:15am

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Insurance

► Using Flood Insurance as One Tool of Resiliency and Recovery

10:15am – 11:00am

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Target Audience: Anyone involved with flood risk, community development, emergency management, flood insurance, insurance agents, floodplain administrators

CECs: To be announced

Presenters

Mel Hodges, FEMA Region VIII Insurance Representative

Description

Federal disaster declarations are never a guarantee. FEMA may or may not be called in to support a state after a disaster. Communities should be prepared to handle response and recovery efforts without state and federal assistance. This presentation will help assist and guide communities to utilize the power of flood insurance after disaster while covering necessary resiliency steps needed to move forward. The importance of non-disaster means for recovery such as flood insurance, Increased Cost of Compliance (ICC), and general lending recovery practices will be discussed. How prepared are you if a disaster were to hit tomorrow? Look to financial disaster resilience for a piece of mind during recovery.

Recovery and Mitigation

▶ Department of Emergency Service(DES) Recovery and Mitigation Overview

11:00am – 12:00pm

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Target Audience: Community Officials (Elected officials, Floodplain Administrators, Emergency Coordinators, Local Levee Committees and Planners)

CECs: To be announced

Presenter

Andrew Long – Montana Department of Emergency Service (DES) Mitigation Grant Program

Kyle Sturgill-Simon – Montana DES Mitigation Grant Program

Description

Brief overview of the on-going recovery efforts from the 2019 spring flooding event Presidential Disaster Declaration. Mitigation Grant opportunity review and case studies throughout Montana.

Lunch Break

▶ Lunch Break

12:00pm – 1:30pm

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Silver Jackets

▶ Montana Silver Jackets Overview

1:30pm – 2:00pm

Fort Peck Interpretive Center

Target Audience: Community Officials (Elected officials, Floodplain Administrators, Emergency Coordinators, Local Levee Committees and Planners)

CECs: To be announced

Presenter

Worby McNamee – Montana Floodplain Program

United States Army Corp. of Engineers (USACE) Representative

Description

Overview of the Montana Silver Jackets Program, projects, and local community project opportunities.

Permitting

▶ **Floodplain Permitting and Technical Assistance Workshop**

2:00pm – 4:30pm

Fort Peck Interpretive Center

Target Audience: Community Officials (Elected officials, Floodplain Administrators, Emergency Coordinators, Local Levee Committees and Planners)

CECs: To be announced

Presenter

Worby McNamee – Montana Floodplain Program

Description

This workshop will focus on the entire permitting process from pre-application meetings, reviews, comment period, to project completion and close out.

Wednesday Afternoon - Friday, 9/11-9/13

▶ **Eastern Montana Hydrology Workshop**

One and a half days

Target Audience: Local community representatives, National Weather Service (NWS) representatives, and National Weather Service primary partners.

CECs: To be announced

Target Audience: Attendees will need to register with Brandon Bigelbach or Todd Chambers with Glasgow National Weather Service.

Presenters/Working Group

NWS

Description

A multi-agency meeting focusing on hydrology topics (issues, research, successes, capabilities, resources, projects) across eastern Montana.

An opportunity to touch base with representatives of many of the agencies that operate in the hydrology realm, not only in Montana but Nationally. Open to those that contribute to the hydrology ecosystem of eastern Montana.