2002 OFMA Spring Technical Training
March 17-18, 2002

“No Adverse Impact”

OFMA’s 2002 Spring Technical Training will be held at the Clarion Meridian Hotel & Convention Center, 737 South Meridian, Oklahoma City, OK 73108. It is designed for Floodplain Managers, Elected Officials, City Managers, Building Code Officers, City Staff, and Private Sector Professionals involved in floodplain management.

Sunday’s activities include committee meetings, a board meeting and an evening social on Sunday, March 17th. Monday’s agenda for the technical training session is presented in detail on page 2 of the newsletter. Monday’s session will conclude with an evening session on "Mapping Needs Update Support System (MNUSS)" presented by James Orwat, FEMA Region VI.

The 2002 Training provides information on current Floodplain Issues in two separate concurrent sessions for:

- Flood Hazard Mitigation
- Outside the Box

The Certified Floodplain Manager (CFM) Exam will be given to pre-qualified OFMA members at 3:30 pm. See the OFMA web site for more information.

National Goal: “No Adverse Impact”

The new national floodplain management goal of ASFPM is “No Adverse Impact”. “No Adverse Impact” means that no actions should take place in the floodplain that have an adverse impact upstream, downstream, to existing development, or to the environment.

The current NFIP minimum national regulations have been found to be inadequate, especially in urban areas or in developing basins.

The NFIP’s emphasis in the past has been “How to develop the floodplains”. The emphasis must now switch to “How to keep floodplains free of urban structures and how to enhance the natural and beneficial values of the floodplain”. For more information on the “No Adverse Impact” initiative, see http://www.floods.org “Changing National Policy—The ASFPM Initiative.”
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737 S. Meridian
Oklahoma City, OK 73108

Sunday, March 17
2:00-3:00  Board of Directors Meetings
3:00-6:00  Committee Meetings
6:00-8:00  Evening Social

Monday, March 18
8:30-9:10  PLENARY SESSION
   Welcome: Walter Stout, CFM, OFMA Chair, 2001-2002 & Ken Morris, CFM, Executive Director
   GIS Applications in Flood Hazard Mitigation Planning: Janet Meshek, CFM and Meredith Reeder, GIS Specialist
9:30-12:00  BREAKOUT SESSIONS—See page 3
12:00-1:00  Luncheon Keynote Address: The Honorable Thad Balkman, State Representative, Norman; Special Award Presentation and Legislative Update-Ken Morris, CFM, Executive Director.
1:00-3:50  BREAKOUT SESSIONS—See page 3
3:20-3:50  Break
3:30-5:30  Oklahoma Floodplain Managers Association’s Certified Floodplain Manager Exam. Rhonda Kouba, OFMA CFM Exam given to prior-approved applicants.

PLENARY SESSION 3:50-4:50
"Hydraulics for Dummies": Dr. Robert Tortorelli, CFM

A 30 minute break is provided for attendees of the Flood Hazard Mitigation Tract, before convening the closing 3:50 Plenary Session.
4:50-5:20  Break
5:20-6:00  General Membership Meeting
6:00  Adjourn

EVENING WORKSHOP
6:30-8:30  "Mapping Needs Update Support System (MNUSS)": James Orwat, FEMA Region VI
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THERE IS NO CHARGE FOR THE FLOOD FORUM

REGISTRATION FORM
(Seating is Limited. Register early.)

NAME:

COMPANY:

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CITY, STATE

PHONE#: FAX#

EMAIL:

(This registration may be duplicated for additional attendees.)

Complete and mail the registration to:

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FAX (281) 829-6879
Notes from the Executive Director - February 13, 2002

Dear Floodplain Managers:

Thank you for all you do at the local level. You know who you are; those floodplain managers that make sure the "brother-n-law" deals do not go forward; you ensure all permits are obtained; you ensure all activities in your communities floodplains comply with your flood ordinance. Over the years I have visited with many of you about how difficult it is to enforce your flood ordinance and how sometimes support seems far away. We talk about CAVs, CACs, Probation, Suspension, etc. but do we ever just say Thank you. Well it is time to do just that, Thank you for doing all the good jobs you do in this very special and technical profession. Sometimes you may think "why go the extra effort and do it the right way", but you do. I want you to know I appreciate this effort and it does not go unnoticed. It is this kind of teamwork & partnership that gets things done and does make a difference at the local level that in turn affects the big picture of flood loss reduction.

Also, on Feb 13th, OFMA hosted its 5th Legislative Reception and

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the guest book shows over 268 folks visited 412B today. Thanks to the OFMA Board and members for a very successful reception. This year the Executive Board members were introduced by name to the full House and Senate. As you know, OFMA is supporting two bills, HB 2228 and HB 1969. With your support we can see the floodplain act become stronger to protect the floodplain resource we are working so hard to manage and fund the flood hazard mitigation account. Please look at how our membership has grown over the years with over 245 members and numerous accomplishments to be very proud. Thank you members for your hard work and continued support.

Please come to the Spring "No Adverse Impact" Technical Workshop and Flood Forum in Oklahoma City, March 17-19, 2002. For more details contact Carolyn Schultz at (918) 669-4919.

Sincerely,
Ken

Oklahoma Floodplain Managers Association

Vision

Floodplains are for floodwaters, habitat, water quality enhancement and recreation.

Mission

We encourage and support, with our partners, flood-safe development and flood mitigation. We promote sound floodplain management practices and the natural and cultural benefits of the floodplain. We support the floodplain management profession through education and certification.

Saving lives from floods and reducing property loss from floods are paramount to us.

An Invitation to Join OFMA

The Oklahoma Floodplain Managers Association is a non-profit organization primarily dedicated to providing information and education to the public about reduction of loss of life and property due to flooding.

OFMA Membership Application

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Region (see map): 1 2 3 4 5

Committees:
___ Mitigation ___ Floodplain Regulations
___ Flood Insurance ___ Mapping & Engineering
___ Flood Proofing ___ Stormwater Management
___ Research

Dues Schedule: First-Year dues are prorated depending on the quarter during which you join. The fiscal year starts October 1st and ends September 30th.

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Definition: Base Flood & Special Flood Hazard Area

Base Flood - The flood having a one-percent (1%) chance of being equaled or exceeded in any given year.

Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) - The land in a floodplain within the community subject to a one-percent (1%) or greater chance of flooding in any given year.

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The OFMA Board of Directors, elected at the 2001 OFMA-OEMA Joint Fall conference, held in Tulsa, shown in the picture at right. The Board members are:

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- Jason Shiever, Region 5 Representative
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Shown left to right are: Anna Waggoner, Carolyn Schultz, Walter Stout, Lynne Stevenson, Joe Remondini, Nancy Wade, Janet Meshek, Tom Graham, Ken Morris and John Harrington. Not pictured are David Sprouse and Jason Shiever.

Coming up in future issues....

2002 Legislative Reception
How to properly determine the Base Flood Elevation (BFE)
Hazard Mitigation Planning
Future Conditions Hydrology for floodplain mapping
Why is the FEMA map datum important?

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