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Mark your calendars now for the 13th Annual OFMA Fall Conference in downtown Oklahoma City!

The conference is for Floodplain Managers, Elected Officials, City Managers, Building Code Officers, City Staff, and Private Sector Professionals involved in floodplain management. You'll have an opportunity to learn about the latest floodplain management techniques and initiatives, get advanced training, and network with fellow professionals. You'll hear presentations from leaders in floodplain management as well as local flood-

plain managers facing the same issues as you. Continuing education credits will be

awarded to those who complete the conference. A tentative agenda for the conference is included in this newsletter.

This year, in response to comments from previous conferences, the OWRB is offering Floodplain 101 on Monday, along with training opportunities for CTP, Enhanced Dfirm's, MNUSS, Elevation Certificates, CRS, RSDE and "How to Survive a CAV". When the conference begins on Tuesday, attendees will be armed with the knowledge and training received on Monday, in order to fully appreciate the conference topics.

Additionally, conference attendees can attend the 7th annual golf tournament on Sunday, as well as the "meet and greet social" Sunday night, and a Vendor's Social at Lake Hefner Monday night. See you there!

Notice to all Golfers!

The 7th Annual OFMA Golf Tournament will be held Sunday, September 21, 2003 at noon at the Hefner Golf Club. Located on beautiful Lake Hefner at 4491 S. Lake Hefner Drive, OK City.

The format will be a two person scramble, with prizes awarded. Cost is \$35 per person, including golf and cart.

For more information and to sign up, contact Gavin Brady at (918) 581-2924 or e-mail jgbrady@owrb.state.ok.us. Please respond by September 12, 2003.

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Canadian County Cities Team To Develop Plan

Several cities within Canadian County are working with the county to develop an all-hazard mitigation plan to assess and mitigate the effect of a natural disaster.

Lynne Stevenson, county floodplain administrator and project coordinator, said the county and Yukon, Mustang, El Reno, Union City, Piedmont and Calumet plan to develop an individual city and a county hazard mitigation plan. She said the plan will assess each city's vulnerability for a natural disaster such as, wildfire, high winds, earthquake, hazardous material incident, drought, etc.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency now requires all cities to develop an all-hazard mitigation plan. When a city or county receives federal disaster assistance, it is based upon damage. If the site has an all-hazard mitigation plan, they can receive an extra 15 percent. This year, the amount was reduced to 7.5 percent, Stevenson said. "If you don't have that type of plan, you aren't going to get that money, " she said.

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13th Annual Oklahoma Floodplain Managers **Association Conference**



GETTING THE WORD OUT

September 21-24, 2003

Conference Location:

The Marriott



3233 Northwest Expressway Oklahoma City, OK 73112 (www.marriott.com)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2003

9:00~12:00pm OFMA Board Meeting

12:00~5:00pm 5th Annual Golf Tournament at Lake

Hefner Golf Course: Gavin Brady (918)

581-2924

1:00~5:00pm How to Survive a CAV (4 CEC's): Diane

Calhoun, Diane Calhoun Consulting,

ASFPM Region 6 Director

Meet and Greet Social 6:00pm~?

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2003

7:30~8:00am Registration in Lobby

8:00am~5:00pm **BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

SESSION 1 – Floodplain 101 (7.5 CEC's)

8:00~10:00am Floodplain 101: Ken Morris, OWRB

10:15~12:00pm Floodplain 101 cont'd 12:00~1:00pm Lunch on your own 1:00~3:00pm Floodplain 101 cont'd 3:15~5:00pm Floodplain 101 cont'd

SESSION 2 – Cooperating Technical Partnerships (7.5 CEC's)

8:00~9:45am Cooperating Technical Partnerships: Jim

Orwat, FEMA Region VI

10:15-12:00am Enhanced DFIRM Production: Jim Orwat,

FEMA Region VI

12:00~1:00pm Lunch on your own

1:00~2:45pm MNUSS: Jim Orwat, FEMA Region VI 3:15~5:00pm Elevation Certificates: Dorothy Martinez,

NFIP

SESSION 3 – Community Rating System (7.5 CEC's)

Community Rating System: Bill Baker, ISO 8:00~9:45am

10:15-12:00am Community Rating System cont'd:

12:00~1:00pm Lunch on your own

1:00~2:450pm RSDE: Lonnie Ward, FEMA Region VI

3:15~5:00pm RSDE, cont'd.:

6:30~? Vendor's Social at Lake Hefner

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2003

PLENARY SESSION

7:00~8:00 Past Chairs Breakfast ~ Marriott

Restaurant

8:00~9:45pm Opening Plenary Session (2 CEC's)

Welcome and Introduction to OFMA -

Janet K. Meshek, CFM, Chair

Conference Overview - Ken Morris,

OWRB

National Perspective – Diane Calhoun,

Diane Calhoun Consulting, ASFPM Region

6 Director

FEMA Changes Since 9/11 – Gary Jones,

FEMA Region VI Director

Role of the OEM in HMGP – Fred Liebe.

Asst. Director

10:15~11:45am Committee Meetings (1.5 CEC's)

11:45~1:00 Lunch on your own

BREAKOUT SESSIONS 1:00pm~5:00pm

SESSION 1 - Regulatory (4 CEC's)

Permits & Standards for New & Existing 1:00~1:50pm

Buildings: Ross Richardson, FEMA

Higher Regulatory Standards: Bill Baker, 1:55~2:45pm

3:15~4:05pm Enforcement, Variances & Suspensions:

Ken Morris, OWRB

Substantial improvements and Damages: 4:10~5:00pm

Lonnie Ward, FEMA

SESSION 2 – Flood Insurance (4 CEC's)

1:00~1:50pm Changes to the NFIP: Dorothy Martinez,

1:55~2:45pm Answers to Common Questions Floodplain

Managers Are Asked: Ken Morris,

OWRB / Lonnie Ward, FEMA / Dorothy

Martinez, NFIP

How to Rate a Building: Dorothy Martinez, 3:15~4:05pm

4:10~5:00pm Things That Lenders, Insurance Agents

and Real Estate Agents Need to Know:

Dorothy Martinez, NFIP

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SESSION 3 – Stormwater Management (4 CEC's)		8:55~9:45am	Letters of Map Revision Topics, cont'd: Nick Ganch, PBS&J	
1:00~1:50pm	Master Drainage Planning: Janet K. Meshek, Meshek & Associates, Inc.	10:15~11:05am	Tulsa County Floodplain Mapping Project: Jim Leach, COE	
1:55~2:45pm	Using the Alert System and GIS in Flood Predictions: Deborah Stowers, City of Tulsa / Dr. Baxter Vieux, University of	11:10~12:00am	Floodplain Mapping for the Bartlesville Master Drainage Plan: Terry Lauritsen, City of Bartlesville / Brandon Claborn and	
3:15~4:05pm	Oklahoma NPDES Regulations Update: John		Chris Hill, Meshek & Associates, Inc.	
4:10~5:00pm	Harrington, <i>ACOG</i> NPDES Implementation: Gary Shockley,	SESSION 3— Public Information & Education (4 CEC's)		
	City of Oklahoma City	8:00~8:50am	Educating Kids in Floodplain Safety / Wet Program and More: Andy Kincaid, Payne	
6:30~?	OFMA Awards Banquet	8:55~9:45am	County Conversation District CRS Outreach Requirement: Laureen Gib-	
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 2003			son Gilroy, City of Tulsa	
8:00am~12:00p	om BREAKOUT SESSIONS		How to Use the Media: Laureen Gibson Gilroy, City of Tulsa	
SESSION 1 ~ HMPG (4 CEC's)		11:10~12:00am	How to Talk to You Legislators So They Will Listen: Representative Terry Ingmire, District 34, Stillwater	
8:00~8:50am	HMPG Planning Process: Connie Dill, ODEM	12:00~2:00pm	OFMA Business Luncheon (2 CEC's)	
8:55-9:45am	Case Studies in HMPG / Canadian County Hazard Mitigation Plan: Lynne Stevenson, Canadian County / Ron Flanagan, R.D. Flanagan & Associates / Dan Biby,	-	Business Meeting Committee Reports Election of 2003-2004 Officers Luncheon Keynote Address – Jason	
10:15~11:05an	Case Studies in HMPG: Master Drainage Plans: Terry Lauritsen,	2:00~2:30pm	Donham, Arkansas NFIP Director, ASFPM	
	PE, Asst. City Engineer, City of Bartlesville Acquisition Projects: Brent Stout, City of	_	Break	
	Tulsa Rain Gage/Stream Gage Projects: Deborah Stowers, PE, City of Tulsa, Nancy Wade, Asst. City Planner, City of Bartlesville	2:30-5:00pm	Closing Plenary Session (2.5 CEC's) Natural and Beneficial Uses of the Floodplain ~ Lanny Miller, NRCS Disaster Assistance Efforts During the Tornado Recovery Process – Donnie Blanlot, FEMA DAE	
11:10~12:00am Case Studies in HMPG: Structural Projects: Jim Coffey, City			OFMA Strategic Plan – Laureen Gibson Gilroy, City of Tulsa	
	Planner, City of Bixby School Safe Rooms: Ann Patton, City of Tulsa		Passing of the Gavel / Floodplain Management 2004 Vision – Andy Kincaid, Payne county Conservation District	
	NOAA Weather Radios : Kary Cox, Director of Emergency Management, Washington County and City of Bartlesville	5:00pm	Drawing for Door Prizes Adjourn Conference	
SESSION 2 – Floodplain Mapping (4 CEC's)		•	•	
8:00-8:50am	Letters of Map Revision Topics: Nick			
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Ganch, PBS&J

Stevenson said the county received a \$138,000 FEMA grant to develop the plan. The money was distributed between six cities to develop individual studies. Cities have until October to complete their plan, which includes having people complete surveys, examine infrastructures and develop the mitigation plan. The county will combine each city's plan into the county's plan. The federal agency must receive the completed study by November.

"Anything that happens within our county is going to impact the entire county," she said.

Based on an article by Lori Whitaker, staff writer, The Daily Oklahoman June 23, 2003.

Web Sites

OFMA www.okflood.org

ASFPM www.floods.org

OWRB www.owrb.state.ok.us

FEMA www.fema.gov

OEMA www.angelfire.com/ok2/oema

OEM www.odcem.state.ok.us

Corps of Engineers (USACE)

www.swt.usace.army.mil

U.S. Geological Survey (USGS)

ok.water.usgs.gov

Advanced Study Institute

web.uccs.edu/geogenvs/natoasi

CLOMR/LOMR Forms:

www.fema.gov/forms/forms.htm

EPA NPDES Phase II site:

www.epa.gov/npdes/

SMRC Stormwater Mgr Resource Cen-

ter: www.stormwatercenter.net

Webmaster: Hank Elling, P.E., CFM (580) 248-

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Calendar of Educational Opportunities

- OML Annual Conference, Sept 10-12, 2003: Doubletree Hotel, Tulsa. Contact: *Jim Layman*, *1-800-324-6651*.
- OFMA Annual Fall Conference, Sept 21-24, 2003: Marriot Hotel, Oklahoma City. Contact: OFMA, P.O. Box 8101, Tulsa, OK 74101-8101; website: www.okflood.org
- **OWRB Floodplain 101 Workshop**, Marriott Hotel, Sept 22, 2003, for more information, call 405-530-8800.
- <u>CRS Training Class</u>; FEMA's Emergency Management Institute (EMI) in Emmitsburg, MD September 22-26, 2003; for more information, contact Ken Morris, State NFIP Director, 405-530-8800.
- OWRB Managing Floodplain Development Through the NFIP; January 12-16, 2004, Contact: OWRB, 3800 North Classen Blvd., Oklahoma City, OK 73118; for more information, call 405-530-8800; website: www.owrb.state.ok.us.
- NFIP Agent Training; January 14, 2004 Moore/Norman Tech. Center, May 11, Tulsa and May 12, Miami; Contact *Dorothy Martinez*, (281) 829-6880.
- Twenty-Seventh Annual Conference of the Association of State Floodplain Managers: May 16-21, Beau Rivage Hotel, Gulf Coast, LA Contact: ASFPM Executive Office, 2809 Fish Hatchery Road, Ste. 204, Madison, WI 53713-3120; (608) 274-0123; fax: (608) 274-0696; e-mail: asfpm@floods.org; website: www.floods.org
- **Floodplain Managers 101 Training**; One day sessions in each Region to be announced later; for more information, call 405-530-8800.
- NFIP 2004 National Flood Conference; May 3-6 in Seattle, Washington. Contact Dorothy Martinez at (281) 829-6880.

Notes From the Executive Director

Hello and hope all is well with you and your family. I want you to know how hard the OFMA Board of Directors is working to plan and organize the best ever Annual Conference, "Getting the Word Out". The conference committee has drafted a program that will provide many more training opportunities than in years past. Please mark your calendars now and plan on arriving at the Marriott in Oklahoma City on Sept. 21 to attend "How to Survive a CAV" training, planned for that afternoon. Also, a networking social is planned for Sunday evening at the hotel, with the annual vendor social planned at one of the nice restaurants on the shores of beautiful Lake Hefner Monday evening. Gary Jones, FEMA Region VI Director, has been invited to share in these networking opportunities along with Ross Richardson, Mitigation Chief. Come and enjoy these two events and visit with our important FEMA partners.



Also, if you are a local floodplain manager and your community participates in the National Flood Insurance Program, do you know *How To Survive A CAV*? Do you know what a Community Assistance Visit is? Has there been any development of any kind in the floodplains in your community that did not obtain a permit? Has the regulatory floodplain changed and FEMA not been notified? Do you know what is required for floodway development to ensure ordinance compliance? Do you know where your flood damage prevention ordinance is? Is your floodplain development permitting system effective, and operational? Do you have a public awareness campaign in your community so residents know to check with you before they build or develop? A special 4-hour training session has been planned for September 21 on *How To Survive A CAV*. Attend this training session and it will help you survive your community's next CAV. See you at the fall conference.

FEMA E-Grant Notification

The OK Dept. of Emergency Management (OEM) administers various hazard mitigation grant programs funded through FEMA. In an attempt to prioritize and fund feasible, cost effective projects throughout the nation, FEMA has developed a nation-wide competitive hazard mitigation program, the Pre-Disaster Mitigation – Competitive program. This program will be accessible to all eligible jurisdictions applying for funding through an internet applications system.

The new e-grants system is now in effect. This system will be used to apply for grants through the Pre-Disaster Mitigation-Competitive (PDM-C) program. PDM-C is a nation-wide competitive grant program funded in the amount of \$150M for 2003. This amount may vary year to year. Applicants in OK will submit grants to OEM through an online website: https://portal.fema.gov. When you enter the website, click on "new user". The access user code is "S40".

After application submission, OEM will review and approve, the State Hazard Mitigation Team will prioritize, and all approved applications will be forwarded to Region VI for review. Region VI will review and approve/disapprove the applications. Region VI will then submit all applications for PDM-C to a nation-wide review board which will then award the grants. Deadline for submission is 9/7/03 to submit to the state through the website.

The priority for PDM-C funding is acquisition/elevation/relocation/demolition of repetitive loss structures. All projects will be prioritized nationally based on B/C for each project. However, planning applications can be submitted through this program. As with all FEMA mitigation grant programs, the PDM-C is funded 75% federal and 25% locally.

In the future, Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) and regular PDM program funds will be available to the state and applications will also be submitted through the e-grants system.

The HMGP grants will remain the same, with funds available following a presidentially declared disaster in OK. Help will be available to applicants applying for grants and for questions pertaining to the e-grant system. Contact mitigation personnel at (405) 946-6325 or contact your local area coordinator for additional help.

Oklahoma Floodplain Managers Association

Vision

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

Mission

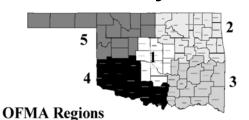
We encourage and support, with our partners, flood-safe development and flood mitigation. We promote sound floodplain management practices and the natural and cultural benefits of the floodplain. We support the floodplain management profession through education and certification.

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.

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The best investment that \$30.00 can buy in the future of your state is a membership in the Oklahoma Floodplain Managers Association.

OFMA Membership Application

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Title:		Address:					
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Detach and Mail to: OFMA P.O. Box 8101	New Member: Renewal: Region (see map): 1 2 3 4 5 Committees:	Dues Schedule: First-Year dues are probate you join. The fiscal year st					
Tulsa, OK 74101-8101	Mitigation Mapping and Engineering Education/Legislative Certification	Full Membership Student Membership Associate Membership Agency Membership (Plus \$10.00 per employee	\$ 30.00 15.00 20.00 50.00	\$ 22.50 11.25 15.00 37.50	\$ 15.00 7.50 10.00 25.00	\$ 7.50 3.75 5.00 12.50	
A	Conference	Corporate Sponsor	100.00	75.00	50.00	25.00	

July CFM® Corner from the ASFPM Insider

Courses Available on line

More than 20 courses are currently available on line for CFM Program CECs through RedVector.com. Additional courses are being reviewed as submitted to RedVector. Courses currently available for CECs include:

- Determining Base Flood Elevations for Approximate Zone A (1CEC)
- GIS: The Very Basics (1CEC)
- Runoff Analysis using USGS Method Florida (1 CEC)
- Runoff Analysis using USGS Method Georgia (1 CEC)
- Runoff Analysis using USGS Method Louisiana (1 CEC)
- Open Channel Hydraulics I: Introduction and Energy Balance (2 CECs)
- Open Channel Hydraulics II: Force Balance and Critical Depth (2 CECs)
- Open Channel Hydraulics III: Uniform Flow (2 CECs)
- Open Channel Hydraulics IV: Introduction to Water Surface Profiles (2 CECs)
- Open Channel Hydraulics V: More Water Surface Profiles (2 CECs)

Training Providers: Get CECs approved ahead of time

It is very efficient to get the CECs approved by the Executive Office prior to offering a course. After the course has been assigned CECs and it is completed, the provider can then submit a list of attendees directly to the Executive Office to record CECs.

PBS&J receives Certification award

On June 4, 2003 ASFPM's Chair, Chad Berginnis, presented PBS&J a special achievement award for their efforts in promoting the Certification Program. Kudos!

Success Story; Kevin Barnes, CFM

Kevin Barnes is an Engineer with the Greene County (MO) Stormwater Division. He became a CFM in May 2001. At the St. Louis ASFPM Conference Kevin wrote the following testimonial: "I became a CFM to earn credibility with my co-workers and the public. By studying for the test, I learned more than I could have imagined." Hats off to Kevin for continuing to strengthen his knowledge of floodplain management!

OFMA General Store

Oklahoma Floodplain Managers Association gifts are now available. The attractive OFMA articles are of the highest quality. You will be proud to wear and display them.

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