



Preparing Your Floodplain Administration & Building Department for a Disaster

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Agenda

- Planning and preparing for disasters
- Training
- Inspections
- Staffing
- Building code, insurance, and other programmatic requirements
- Leveraging data collection for multiple purposes
- Permitting
- Lessons learned
- Resources available

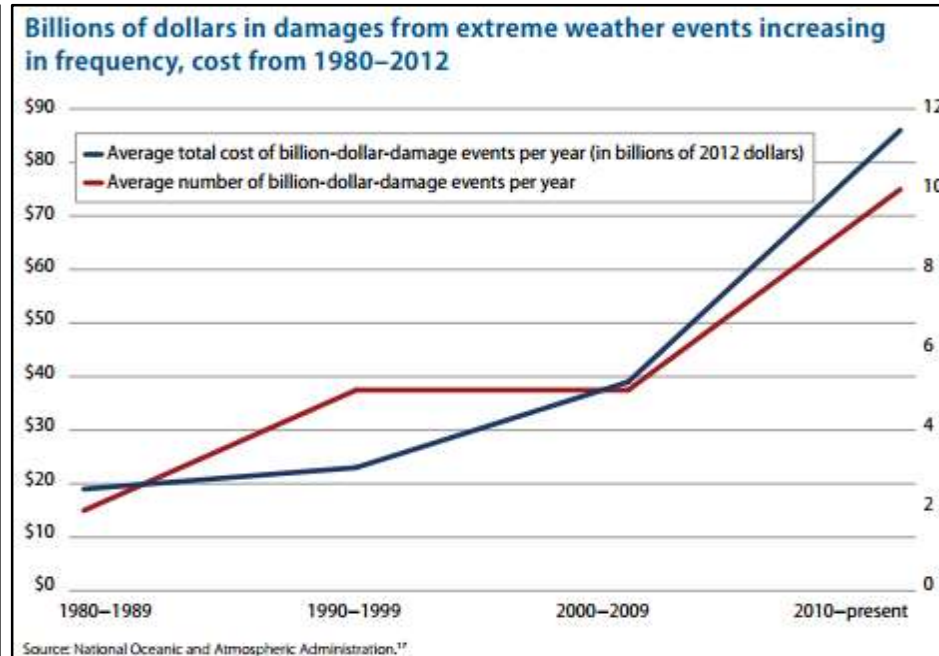
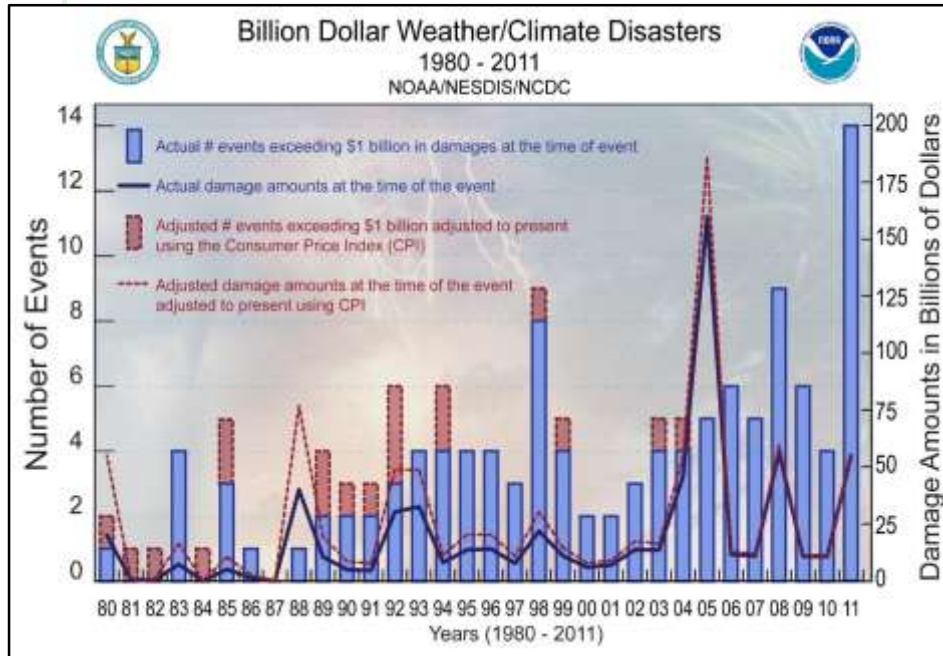
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Planning and preparing for disasters

- Statistics
- Plans
- Training and Exercises
- Daily Operations

“Plans are of little importance, but planning is essential.”

- Winston Churchill



Training

- ATC 20 & 45
- ICC When Disaster Strikes – A Field Guide
- FEMA
 - Substantial Damage Estimator
 - IS-284: Using the Substantial Damage Estimator 2.0 Tool
 - E0285: Providing Post-Disaster Substantial Damage Technical Assistance to Communities
- Recommendations
 - Standard Operating Procedures
 - Safety
 - Signage/Reporting
 - Case Studies
 - Unique circumstances



Inspections

- Safety
- Protocols
- Equipment
- Identification
- Consistency



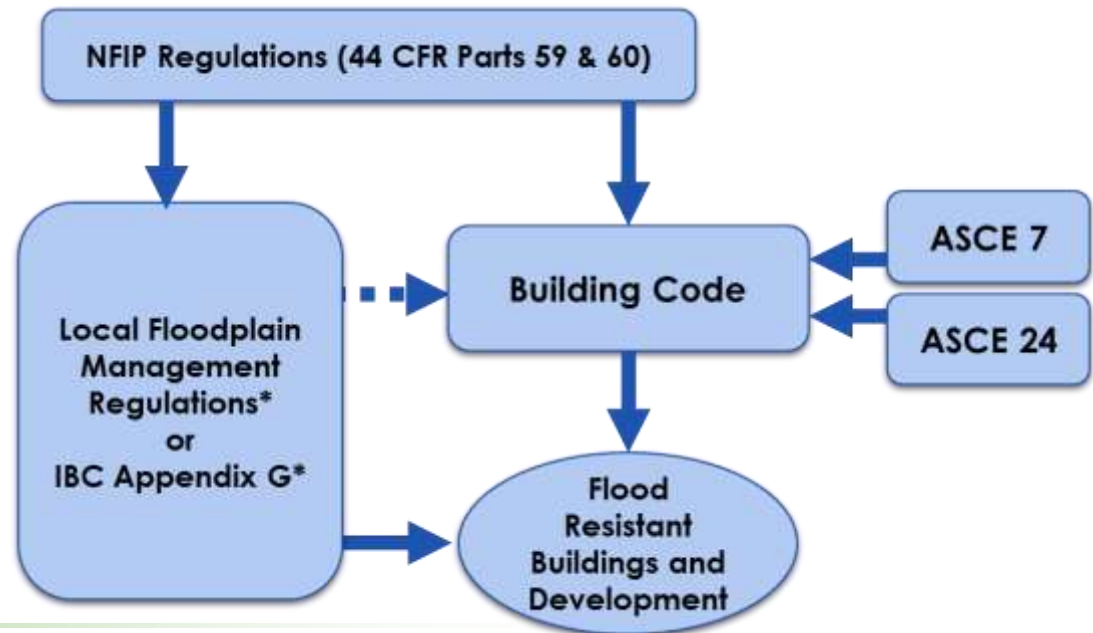
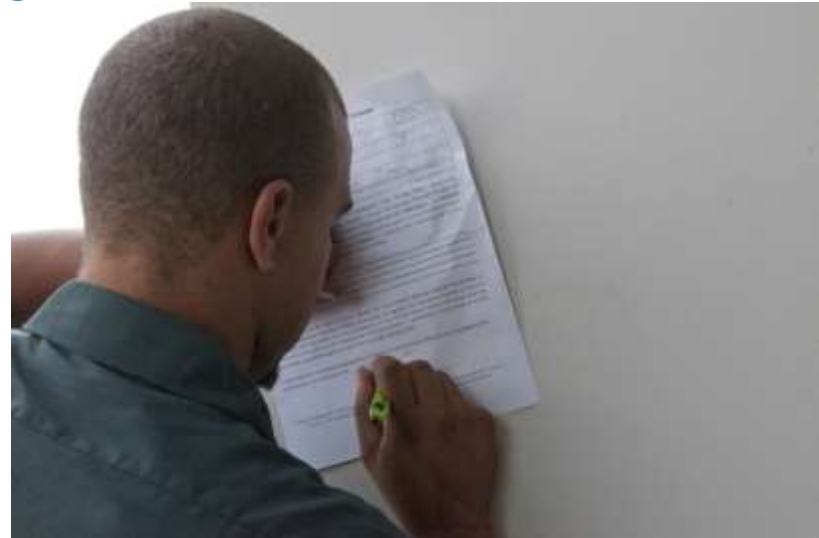
Staffing

- Source
- Span of Control
- Team Size
- Qualifications
- Familiar with Common/Unique Construction Practices
- Non-field Staff
 - Coordination & Planning
 - Logistics
 - Review
- Other
 - Law Enforcement Escort
 - Translator
 - Personally impacted

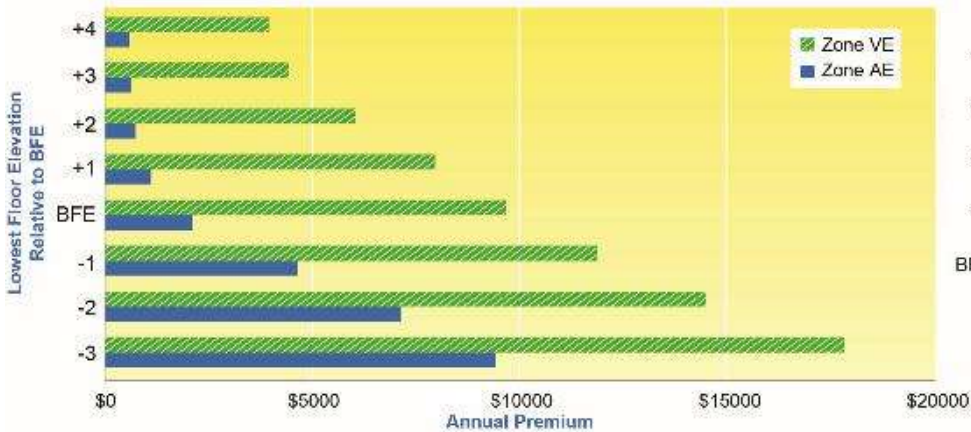


Building code, insurance, and other programmatic requirements

- Enforcement - emphasis every day, do not make enforcement new after a disaster
- Record Keeping
- Structure Inventory
- Maps
- Data
 - Elevation Certificate
 - Cumulative SI/SD
- Fact Sheets/Job Aids



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Note: Annual premiums calculated using the *NFIP Flood Insurance Manual*, April 1, 2017, for a one-story single-family home with no basement and no enclosure. Premiums (including fees) are based on the maximum available building coverage of \$250,000 and contents coverage of \$100,000, with \$2,000 deductibles for both building and contents coverages. Zone V building is assumed to be free of obstructions with a building replacement cost ratio of 0.75 or more.

■ With or Without Obstruction



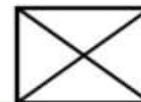
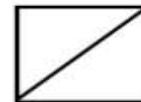
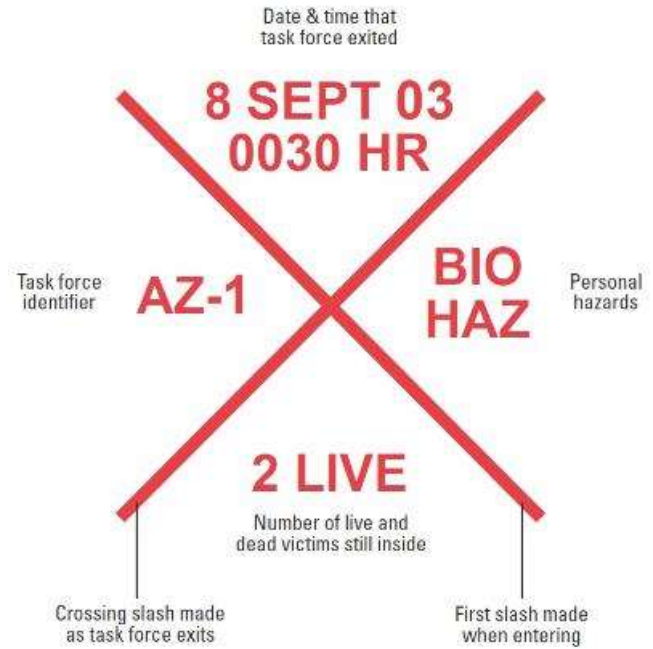
- No enclosure or open-wood latticework or insect screening
- With machinery or equipment at or above the BFE



- Enclosure (total area <300 sq. ft.) w/ breakaway walls
- With machinery or equipment at or above the BFE

Leveraging data collection for multiple purposes

- First Responders
- Building Department
- Insurance Company
- Individual Assistance
- High Water Mark/Modeling
- Aerial Imagery (CAP, Drones, etc.)
- Social Media
- Substantial Damage
- Repair Contractors
- Research



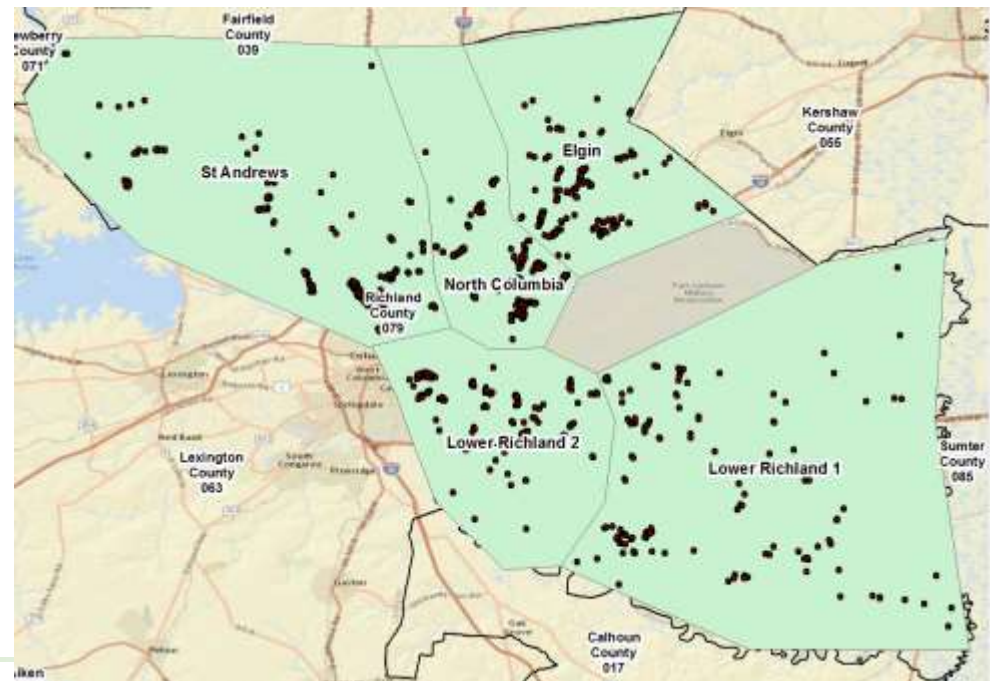
Permitting

- Spike/surge
- Consistent with day to day procedures
 - Emergency waivers
 - New requirements based on post disaster observations/ best available data
- Prepared for “Plan B”



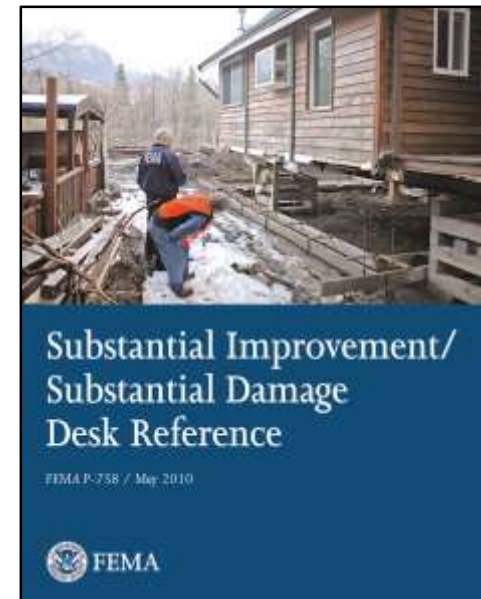
Lessons Learned

- Guidelines for Inspectors
 - Rules of Thumb by Depth
 - Indicators/Criteria
 - Ongoing repairs without a permit
- Local representative
- Priorities/Quadrants
- Representative Structure
- Incremental Staffing
- Volunteers



Resources Available

- Applied Technology Council
 - Assessment Form, Checklist, & Placards
- FEMA P-758 SI/SD Desk Reference
- Public Assistance Category B
 - Safety Inspections - To establish whether a building is safe for entry, occupancy, and lawful use, as well as posting appropriate placards.
 - NOT Inspections
 - Substantial Damage under the FPM ordinance
 - Determine whether the building needs to be elevated or relocated
 - Ensuring repairs are IAW codes and standards
- HMGP Post Disaster Building Code Enforcement
- Mutual Aid



Questions

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