Introduction and Overview

The Nonstructural Flood Proofing Committee maintains a primary mission of providing homeowners, business owners, and government entities responsible for providing flood risk management services prior to, during, and after flood events, the educational information necessary to assist in the reduction of flood risk and property damage during future floods.

The committee promotes opportunities to learn about viable nonstructural flood proofing techniques and to work strategically across all levels of government to reduce flood damage by considering these techniques. Nonstructural measures, when appropriately implemented, decrease the consequences of flooding.

Committee Priorities

Support to ASFPM:
1. Participate in the ASFPM Annual National Conference.
2. Participate in ASFPM conference calls and retreats.
3. Support the nomination of a candidate for consideration of the Sheaffer Floodproofing Award.
4. Provide review and comments of ASFPM directed documents.

Supporting Nonstructural Flood Proofing Committee activities:
1. Organize and facilitate committee conference calls.
2. Organize and facilitate educational webinars on all aspects of viable nonstructural techniques.
3. Provide support to the National Flood Barrier Testing and Certification Program.
4. Support and conduct activities identified within the annual Work Plan.
5. Increase committee membership and expand visibility of committee activities.

Recommended Actions and Ongoing Activities

1. Continue to provide support for the enhancement of the committee’s website to make it more dynamic and user friendly for committee members, ASFPM members and the general public.

2. Support the ASFPM Flood Science Center on its development of the Flood Mitigation Library website by providing technical assistance and support with nonstructural flood proofing mitigation tools and information.

3. Continued development on two additional informational documents that promote and support Section 26 of the Homeowner Flood Insurance Affordability Act that recognizes the use alternative flood proofing measures for residential and commercial structures. The informational document “Actions You Can Take to Protect a Flood-Prone House or Business with Crawlspace” was recently completed and resides on the committee website.
4. Develop talking/discussion points for ASFPM headquarters on a new definition for dry flood proofing. As new technology has been developed, several agencies are not in consensus on current terminology.

5. Continue to seek and promote opportunities to plan and implement pre-flood and post-flood workshops regarding nonstructural mitigation.