

2018-2019 POLICY COMMITTEE WORK PLAN

ASFPM Floodplain Regulations Committee

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1.0 Mission

The ASFPM Floodplain Regulations Committee is dedicated to supporting and improving sensible floodplain regulations on the local, state and federal levels in order to reduce flood damage.

2.0 Overview

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The Floodplain Regulations Committee plays an integral role in attaining the association’s overall goal of helping the public and private sector reduce the loss of life and damage to property from flooding, preserve the natural and cultural values of floodplains, and avoid actions that exacerbate flooding, including creating adverse impacts to the community.

The current co-chairs for the committee are:

William Nechamen, CFM, Nechamen Consulting, LLC
Stacey Ricks, CFM, MS Emergency Management Agency

Section 2 of this workplan presents the specific items to be accomplished by this committee and work tasks required to complete them. All work items directly support the Goals and Objectives for ASFPM for 2018-2019 that are regulations related.

2.1 Committee Work Items

Task Title: Collaborate with the Floodproofing and Insurance Committees on the development of a Floodproofing Maintenance Plan template or outline to help satisfy new insurance requirements of a guidance document regarding the regulatory and flood insurance aspects of non-residential floodproofing.		Task Leader: Stacey Ricks, Bill Nechamen
ASFPM Goal and Objective #:	Other Committees: Insurance; Floodproofing	
Approximate Start/End Date: October 2018 – March 2019	Approximate # Hrs to Complete: 40	
Detailed Task Description: There are certification and regulatory requirements associated with floodproofing non-residential buildings. These involve flood insurance certification as well as design and construction requirements. There are both flood insurance and floodplain regulatory details involved with non-residential dry floodproofing. This task involves working with the Floodproofing and Insurance Committees to develop guidance for meeting both the regulatory and flood insurance requirements foodproofed buildings.		
Prerequisites Needed: (Activities That Need To Be Performed Before This Task Can Begin) None		
Completion Schedule: March 2019		
Deliverables: Draft guidance document to be developed jointly with floodproofing and insurance committees..		
Other Necessary Support or Resources:		
Approximate Direct Cost to Complete: (Labor and Non-Labor) None		
Approval Process: (Does The Task Require Board Approval?)		
Assumptions: None		
Prepared by/ Date: Stacey Ricks, Bill Nechamen/ September 2018		Approved By/ Date:

Task Title: Provide comments as needed to revised FEMA Technical Bulletins		Task Leader: Stacey Ricks, Bill Nechamen	
ASFPM Goal and Objective #:		Other Committee:	
Approximate Start/End Date: July 2018 – June 2019		Approximate # Hrs to Complete: Up to 30, or as needed	
Detailed Task Description: FEMA may revise Technical Bulletins that clarify the NFIP regulations on key floodplain development practices. The committee will review and provide comments on these bulletins as they are updated. Planned updates include TB 0, User's Guide to Technical Bulletins, TB 1, Openings in Foundation Walls and Walls of Enclosures, TB 4, Elevation Requirements for Buildings Located in SFHA's, TB 5, Free of Obstruction Requirements, and TB 8, Corrosion Protection for Metal Connectors and Fasteners in Coastal Areas in accordance with the NFIP.			
Prerequisites Needed: (Activities That Need To Be Performed Before This Task Can Begin) None			
Completion Schedule: Ongoing as needed			
Deliverables: The Regulations Committee will comment directly to FEMA			
Other Necessary Support or Resources: Mitigation pod, comments from local floodplain managers			
Approximate Direct Cost to Complete: (Labor and Non-Labor) None			
Approval Process: (Does The Task Require Board Approval?) None			
Assumptions: FEMA solicits comments on proposed Technical Bulletin revisions			
Prepared by/ Date: Stacey Ricks, Bill Nechamen/ September 2018			

Task Title: Improve Floodplain Regulations Committee Webpage and Usage		Task Leader: Stacey Ricks, Bill Nechamen	
ASFPM Goal and Objective #:		Other Committee:	
Approximate Start/End Date: July 2018 – June 2019		Approximate # Hrs to Complete: 20	
Detailed Task Description: Name a subcommittee of the Floodplain Regulations committee to work with the ASFPM front office to improve the Floodplain Regulations Committee webpage on www.floods.org to provide a variety of resources for floodplain regulations, higher regulatory standards, examples of No Adverse Impact regulations and Committee activity. Create a subcommittee – work group to develop a detailed outline in coordination with ASFPM staff.			
Prerequisites Needed: (Activities That Need To Be Performed Before This Task Can Begin) None			
Completion Schedule: Ongoing			
Deliverables: Updated content provided to Executive Office review and incorporation to website.			
Other Necessary Support or Resources: Pod facilitator support. ASFPM staff coordination and quarterly calls or updates.			
Approximate Direct Cost to Complete: (Labor and Non-Labor) None			
Approval Process: (Does The Task Require Board Approval?) Will not require board approval			
Assumptions: None			
Prepared by/ Date: Stacey Ricks, Bill Nechamen/ September 2018		Approved By/ Date:	

Task Title: Revise and promote “Higher Standards Reference Guide” for display on web page and for topical guidance.		Task Leader: Stacey Ricks, Bill Nechamen	
ASFPM Goal and Objective #:		Other Committee:	
Approximate Start/End Date: July 2018 – June 2019		Approximate # Hrs to Complete: 30	
Detailed Task Description: The Regulations Committee has prepared a “Higher Standards Reference Guide”. The purpose of this Reference Guide is to provide a selection of higher development standards that can be adopted by a community or state aimed at reducing flood impacts and losses. The committee will work promote the use of this guide for local floodplain managers seeking higher standards with a particular emphasis on communities recovering from recent extreme floods. Updates to include adaptation to more extreme flooding resulting from climate change.			
Prerequisites Needed: (Activities That Need To Be Performed Before This Task Can Begin) None			
Completion Schedule: July 2019. Note that this is a living document and needs occasional review for relevance.			
Deliverables: The ASFPM Regulations Committee Higher Regulatory Standards Guide will be updated following a review by other committees and the ASFPM front office.			
Other Necessary Support or Resources: Pod facilitator support, executive office review.			
Approximate Direct Cost to Complete: (Labor and Non-Labor) None			
Approval Process: (Does The Task Require Board Approval?) None needed for revisions.			
Assumptions: None			
Prepared by/ Date: Stacey Ricks, Bill Nechamen/ September 2018		Approved By/ Date:	

Task Title: Continue Collaboration with Flood Insurance Committee on ABFE and model backed A zones Discussion paper to be used for both regulatory and insurance rating purposes.		Task Leader: Stacey Ricks, Bill Nechamen	
ASFPM Goal and Objective #:		Other Committee: Insurance, Mapping and Engineering	
Approximate Start/End Date: July 2018 – June 2019		Approximate # Hrs to Complete: 60	
Detailed Task Description: Status document regarding Advisory Base Flood Elevations and model backed A zones and flood insurance implications. This should address use of model backed A zones (un-numbered A zones with model derived 1% flood heights) for regulatory and flood insurance implications. Along with the insurance committee, the guidance would also include definitions and a discussion on flood insurance rating			
Prerequisites Needed: (Activities That Need To Be Performed Before This Task Can Begin) None			
Completion Schedule: June 201			
Deliverables: Draft discussion paper			
Other Necessary Support or Resources: .			
Approximate Direct Cost to Complete: (Labor and Non-Labor) None			
Approval Process: (Does The Task Require Board Approval?) May require board approval			
Assumptions: None			
Prepared by/ Date: Stacey Ricks, Bill Nechamen/ September 2018		Approved By/ Date:	

Task Title: NFIP Reauthorization		Task Leader: Stacey Ricks, Bill Nechamen	
ASFPM Goal and Objective #: 2.1.1		Other Committee: Insurance	
Approximate Start/End Date: July 2018 – June 2019		Approximate # Hrs to Complete: 20	
Detailed Task Description: Provide information to committee members and develop positions related to NFIP reauthorization.			
Prerequisites Needed: (Activities That Need To Be Performed Before This Task Can Begin) None			
Completion Schedule: October 2018 – July 2019			
Deliverables:			
Other Necessary Support or Resources: .			
Approximate Direct Cost to Complete: (Labor and Non-Labor) None			
Approval Process: (Does The Task Require Board Approval?)			
Assumptions: None			
Prepared by/ Date: Stacey Ricks, Bill Nechamen/ September 2018		Approved By/ Date:	

Task Title: Floodplain Regulations Enforcement	Task Leader: Stacey Ricks, Bill Nechamen
ASFPM Goal and Objective #: 1.1.1	Other Committee:
Approximate Start/End Date: July 2018 – June 2019	Approximate # Hrs to Complete: 30
Detailed Task Description: Develop a model policy to assist states and communities with substantial damage determinations and enforcement, including expanded use of EMAC.	
Prerequisites Needed: (Activities That Need To Be Performed Before This Task Can Begin) None	
Completion Schedule: October 2018 – July 2019	
Deliverables: Draft policy for Board consideration	
Other Necessary Support or Resources: .	
Approximate Direct Cost to Complete: (Labor and Non-Labor) None	
Approval Process: (Does The Task Require Board Approval?)	
Assumptions: None	
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