

**Florida Floodplain Managers Association  
2019 Annual Conferences  
Abstracts**

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**Title:** New Coastal Maps vs New Coastlines

**Length:** 30 minutes

**Subject:** Floodplain Mapping

**Target Audience:** coastal communities

**Presenter Name:** Laura Nelson, CFM, FPEM  
Senior Emergency Management Planner  
Flagler County

**Biography:** Laura has been coordinating and leading mitigation efforts throughout the state for the last 11 years. After spending 6 years working as the Lead Mitigation Planner at the Florida Division of Emergency Management, she moved to Flagler County Emergency Management. Once at the local level, Laura obtained her CFM and continues her personal mission to ensure the county and municipalities work together to achieve mitigation greatness.

**Co-Presenter:** None

**Biography:**

**Abstract:** Flood maps are costly and time consuming to produce. For these reasons most flood maps commonly have effective dates that span 10 or more years. What happens when FEMA releases newly drafted coastal maps for your area and a major hurricane reshapes the coastline? What options exist for locals to feel comfortable with new maps knowing the coastline is dramatically different? Learn how Flagler County tackled this very situation after Hurricane Matthew.