

Tennessee Association of Floodplain Management

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STATE COORDINATOR'S UPDATE

Every New Year people make resolutions to improve an area of their life. In 2018, the goal of every floodplain administrator should be to gain a greater understanding of floodplain management, administration of the community's ordinance and enforcement techniques. Floodplain administrators are important because you are the communication conduit for floodplain management to the public.

The primary emphasis of the Tennessee Association of Floodplain Managers is to present information and practices that will help floodplain administrators strengthen their understanding and implementation of the NFIP.

One important method of success is reviewing the ordinance to understand the development standards, review permitting procedures and file maintenance. By having a standard operating procedure, your time can be spent conveying a message to individuals regarding development regulations that prevent flood damage, lower flood insurance premiums and provide a positive impact to the natural floodplain.

There will be opportunities this year for training on floodplain management. Seize the opportunity to gain new skills and understand the complexity of the program. This will help your program prepare for the next flood event.

Sincerely,

Amy Miller

State NFIP Coordinator
TN Department of Economic and Community
Development

Tennessee Mapping Update

Currently there are 4 mapping projects occurring in Tennessee under Risk MAP contracts.

Duck River:

This Physical Map Revision (PMR) encompasses 4 panels in Coffee County.

Lower Cumberland:

This PMR affects Cheatham County, Dickson County, Houston County, Montgomery County, and Stewart County. The revision covers 100 panels and a Flood Risk Review meeting is planned for February to review the draft maps with community officials.

Lower Cumberland-Sycamore:

This PMR affects Cheatham County, Robertson County, Sumner County, and Williamson County. The revision covers 48 panels and a Flood Risk Review meeting is planned for February to review the draft maps with community officials.

Stones River:

This PMR affects 56 panels in 3 counties: Cannon, Wilson, and Rutherford.

Schedule of Events

TNAFPM Middle TN Regional Training

Date/Time/Location: First Quarter of 2018 (Jan-Mar), TBD

Cost - FREE for TN AFPM Members; \$25 for Non-Members

Additional Information to be provided soon!

TNAFPM East TN Regional Training

Date/Time/Location: Second Quarter of 2018 (Apr-Jun), TBD

Cost - FREE for TN AFPM Members; \$25 for Non-Members

Additional Information to be provided soon!

TNAFPM 9th Annual Conference

Date/Time/Location: Third Quarter of 2018 (Jul-Sep), TBD

Cost - FREE for TN AFPM Members; \$25 for Non-Members

Additional Information to be provided soon!

TNAFPM West TN Regional Training

Date/Time/Location: First Friday in December, Location TBD

Cost - FREE for TN AFPM Members; \$25 for Non-Members

Additional Information to be provided soon!

Watch the TN AFPM website for updated information.



- Duck River PMR
- Lower Cumberland Sycamore
- Lower Cumberland
- Stones River

HAVE A QUESTION???

ask the expert!

Risk MAP program,
engineering, mapping, flood
insurance, etc.

Send the newsletter
committee your question and
we will find the right expert to
answer it in our next issue.

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2018 Goals

NEWSLETTERS

We will distribute an e-newsletter for each quarter in 2018.

- Q1 - January
- Q2 - April
- Q3 - July
- Q4 - October



MEMBERSHIP

400

NFIP communities in TN

97

Unique jurisdictions represented as members of TNAFPM

100

Goal: 25% of NFIP communities join TNAFPM

9TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Preparations are in the works for 2018 to provide our local floodplain administrators, community leaders, and technical professionals with a hands-on, real-world floodplain management conference.



EDUCATION & OUTREACH

Each quarter of the year, TNAFPM will hold a training session.

- Q1 - Middle TN
- Q2 - East TN
- Q3 - Annual Conference
- Q4 - West TN



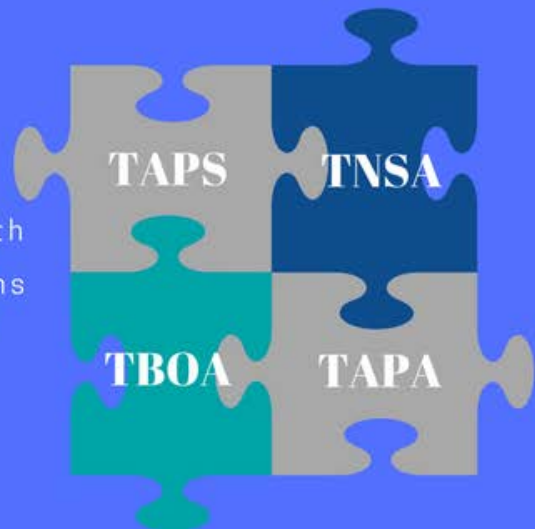
CERTIFIED FLOODPLAIN MANAGERS

Our goal is to add 18 new CFMs in Tennessee in 2018.

Let's get certified!

COORDINATION

working with local associations in 2018



Certified Floodplain Surveyor Program



Congratulations to our newest Certified Floodplain Surveyors!

The Certified Floodplain Surveyor program was started by a joint effort between FEMA and North Carolina in 2002, to educate surveyors in submitting simple Letters of Map Change and increase the accuracy of elevation certificates. In 2017, Tennessee became the second state in the nation to offer the Certified Floodplain Surveyor certification. The program covers NFIP fundamentals, completion of elevation certificates and the concepts needed to complete Letters of Map Amendment and Letter of Map Revision based on Fill (LOMR-F). To become CFS certified, licensed surveyors must successfully complete the three-day certification seminar and 2-part exam. The class had 28 surveyors take the exam with 21 surveyors receiving certification (75% passing rate). The State of North Carolina was gracious enough to assist us with materials, instructors and guidance on the training process this year.

More information can be found at the following website:

<https://www.tn.gov/environment/national-flood-insurance-program/certified-floodplain-surveyor-program.html>

It is with deep sadness that we acknowledge the untimely death of Mike North and express our condolences to his family. Mike was a surveyor in Hamilton County, a CFM and the second Certified Floodplain Surveyor in Tennessee.

Mike was instrumental in bringing the Certified Floodplain Surveyor program to Tennessee by advocating the

Tennessee Association of Professional Surveyors. He helped teach the first ever Certified Floodplain Surveyor course in

Knoxville, Tennessee. He also taught the MTAS NFIP Elevation Certificate training in 2017 and provided valuable

insight and knowledge of the surveying profession to floodplain administrators. He was a kind, compassionate, inquisitive and selfless who gladly helped everyone with



floodplain management, surveying and elevation certificate questions.

He had an infectious smile and enthusiasm for floodplain management. He will be deeply missed and those of us who were friends and colleagues will cherish the memories and continue his legacy.

TN AFPM Regional Updates

WEST TENNESSEE –

2017 West TN AFPM Training Day

The West Tennessee Training Event was held in Milan, Tennessee at the FEMA Building on December 1. We had 24 people attend the event. Amy Miller, State NFIP Coordinator, and Brent Phillips, Regional Planner for TEMA, were our presenters. Topics presented were: Ordinance Review and Permitting, Flood Insurance Rate Map Exercises, and Hazard Mitigation.

We will plan to have our next training event for West Tennessee on Friday, December 7, 2018. We may consider having the event in Martin or Union City.

**Contact Information for all TN AFPM Regional Representatives
is provided on the last page of this newsletter.**

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TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: 217
UNIQUE JURISDICTIONS: 97

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