FEMA Region X

A New Vision for the Future NOW

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Mitigation Philosophy

IF, AS INDIVIDUALS AND AS COMMUNITIES, WE DECIDE NOT TO BE HELPLESS IN THE FACE OF THESE THINGS, BUT TO TAKE ACTIONS TO REDUCE OR ELIMINATE THE LONG TERM RISK TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY FROM HAZARDS AND THEIR EFFECTS, WE ARE MITIGATORS.

THIS IS TO BE DISTINGUISHED FROM IMMEDIATE, REACTIVE RESPONSE AND PREPAREDNESS MEASURES.

HAZARD MITIGATION IS, INSTEAD, A PROCESS, DEDICATED TO BREAKING THE CYCLE OF DAMAGE, RECONSTRUCTION, AND MORE DAMAGE.



Mitigation Division

New administration = new leadership

No new Mitigation Division Director at Headquarters yet

No new Regional Administrator yet

Regional Mitigation Division is fully staffed



New Vision

Disaster Operations

Unified Hazard Mitigation Assistance Programs

Multi Objective NFIP Risk MAP



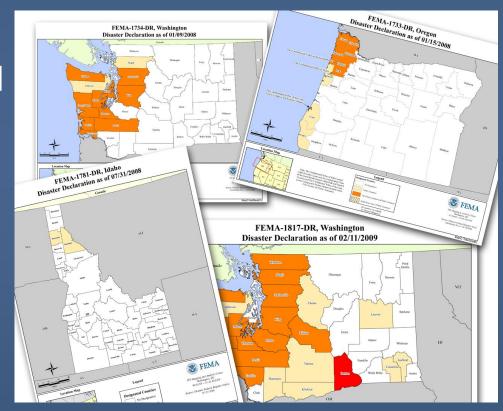
Disaster Operations

3 years of disasters back

to back in WA

Declarations in AK and OR as well

Frequently seeing discharges increasing when analyzing the floods



Disaster Operations

BIG 5

Substantial Damage

Community Assessment

Flood Insurance Support

Joint Field Office (JFO) Operations

Outreach





Disaster Operations

We want you

We are currently recruiting new Disaster Assistance Employees

Specifically Floodplain Managers and other technical specialists



Unified Hazard Mitigation Assistance Programs

HMA Staff has been aligned by state, similar to the NFIP staff

Guidance for all 5 HMA Programs has been unified

2009 SRL/ FMA programs have additional money available and have been extended



Unified Hazard Mitigation Assistance Programs

A new Benefit Cost Analysis module has been released

Easier to use

More accurate results

Look for upcoming training opportunities



Multi-Objective NFIP

Renewed emphasis on:

Performing CAVs

Pursuing violations

Technical assistance

Training



Multi- Objective NFIP

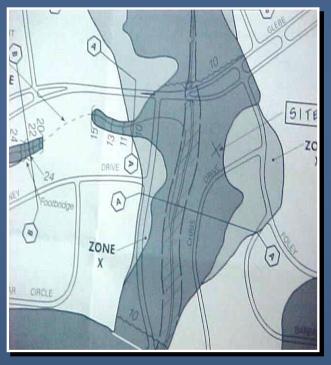
FCCO meetings

FY09 141 communities participated in FCCO

meetings

Next year is projected to be larger

New look to FCCO meetings



Multi- Objective NFIP

New Look FCCO Meetings

Public Open Houses

Manned Stations (requires state/community help with staffing)

GIS Property Locator with New DFIRM

Floodplain Management/ Regulations/ Mitigation

Insurance

Engineering/ Study Questions

WOW Station



Multi-Objective NFIP

NFIP Biological Opinion from NMFS

FEMA feels that land use and flood control practices that protect salmon and their critical habitat also means implementing good floodplain management that will ultimately reduce damages to flood



Risk M.A.P.

A new vision for how we analyze risk...

