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FROM THE CHAIR

Happy 25th Anniversary to the LFMA,

It's that time of year again, and we are getting all geared up for our Annual Conference. This year we are celebrating our 25th Anniversary and we have a number of special events planned for this year's conference. We will be in the beautiful City of Lake Charles and Westlake, Louisiana, at the Isle of Capri Hotel and Resort. The conference will be held on April 2, 3, and 4, 2008. We have a special rate at the Hotel for \$89.00 per night. Conference materials can be found on the LFMA Website or in the LFMA Newsletter. Cost of the conference will be \$90.00 for members and \$120.00 for non-members. The non-members will receive a membership with their conference fees. Addresses to send the fees in are listed on the conference brochure and the deadline to receive a free shirt will be March 21, 2008.

The conference will start with our annual Wetlands in the Fairway/Open Space Technical Tour being held at the "Pine Shadows Golf Course". Anyone wishing to participate please contact Mr. Wayne Berggren to set that up, or add that to your registration form. The cost is \$40.00 per person. We will have the Opening welcome at 2:00pm with the Honorable Randy Roach, Mayor of Lake Charles to welcome all of our participants. Our first Session for Wednesday will be the Louisiana House, Severe Repetitive Loss Program, Marsh Creation and Mitigation Banks, and Inundation Flood Mapping. We will finish the evening off with a Hosted Wine and Cheese Reception on a 92' Yacht on the Lake.

Thursday will also be full of exciting information concerning the New Mapping and Levee projects being completed. We will have New DFIRMs for 2008, AR Flood Zones, Levee Certification, LA Mapping Project, Storm Surge Modeling and IPET, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, Flood Insurance and NFIP, CRS Program Update, Substantial Damage Definitions, CAP Program, and Flood Requirements in the IBC and IRC. Our Keynote Awards Luncheon Speaker will be Mr. Frank Pagano, FEMA Region VI. Join us for an evening of fun as we will enjoy our annual Thursday night cookout. This year it will take place at Prien Lake Park, and it will be a Cajun Cookout.

Friday closes out our conference with Floodplain Management, Community Assessment Visits, New and Improved ASFPM, and our General Membership Meeting and Wrap-Up. We will also be offering the CFM Exam in the afternoon. Anyone wishing to take the CFM must contact ASFPM in order to register.

As we look forward to the rest of 2008, we have a lot on our calendar already. The National Flood Conference will be held in Chicago, IL on May 7 – 10, and ASFPM will hold their annual conference in Sparks/Reno, NV May 18-23, 2008. We will also host a July Workshop that will be held in Marksville, LA on July 25, 2008 and an October Workshop that will be held in Hammond, LA on October 24, 2008, and that's just to mention a few. Keep checking our website, www.lfma.org for all of our updates and schedules as well as copies of our newsletter. Hope to see everyone at these events. For those that are planning to attend the ASFPM Conference in Sparks/Reno, please be our guest and join us for LFMA's annual Chairman's Breakfast.

**Keep Louisiana Safe Through Flood Plain
Management,
Your LFMA Chairman,
Michael D. Hunnicutt, CFM**

LOUISIANA FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION
25th ANNUAL CONFERENCE-SILVER EDITION/ANNIVERSARY
TECHNICAL & BUSINESS CONFERENCE
 April 2,3,4, 2008
 Lake Charles, Louisiana
Isle of Capri Hotel and Resort - (337) 430-2300 or 1-(888) ISLE-VIP

Schedule of Events:

WEDNESDAY – APRIL 2, 2008

7:30 – 12:30 Wetlands in the Fairway/Open Space Technical Tour
 "Pine Shadows Golf" Lake Charles, LA

8:30 – 3:00 Registration

SESSION I

2:00 – 2:15 Welcome, Mayor of Lake Charles
 The Honorable Randy Roach
 Michael Hunnicutt - *LFMA Chairman*

2:15 – 2:45 Louisiana House - LSU
 Pat Skinner - *LSU Ag. Center*

2:45 – 3:15 Elevation Certificates Information
 Tom Rodrigue - *Jefferson Parish*

3:15 – 3:30 B R E A K

3:30 – 4:00 Marsh Creation and Mitigation Banks
 Guthrie Perry-*Grand Chenier Wildlife Center*

4:00 – 4:30 Inundation Flood Mapping
 Dave Read - *NOAA - Slidell, LA*

5:00 – Till Wine and Cheese Reception
(Networking at its best – Fun Flood Trivia & Drinking)
"Cruising By the Lake"

THURSDAY – APRIL 3, 2008

8:30 – 12:00 Registration

8:00 - 8:30 Coffee and Danish

SESSION II

8:30 – 9:00 New D-FIRM For 2008
 Gary Zimmerer – *FEMA Region 6*

9:00 – 9:30 AR Flood Zones
 TBA– *FEMA Region 6*

9:30 – 10:00 Levee Certification
 Durund Elzey – *NO Corps of Engineers*

10:00 – 10:20 B R E A K

10:20 – 10:50 LA Mapping Project
 Jerri Daniels - *Gulf Engineering Co.*

10:50 – 11:40 Storm Surge Modeling - IPET
 Jason McCrossen
 Nancy Powell – *NO Corps of Engineers*

12:00 – 1:30 Lunch – Keynote Speaker
Mr. Frank Pagano - FEMA Region 6

SESSION III

1:30 – 2:00 Program
Hazard Mitigation Grant
 Franki Coons – *FEMA LA TRO*

2:00 - 2:30 Flood Insurance - NFIP Program
 Dorothy Martinez - *Region 6 NFIP*

2:30 – 3:00 CRS Program Update
 Sherry Harper - *ISO, Inc.*

3:00 - 3:15 B R E A K

3:15 – 3:45 Substantial Damage Definitions
 David Hiegel – *FEMA Region 6*

3:45 – 4:15 CAP Program or TBA
 Lisa Jennings– *FEMA Region 6*

4:15 – 4:45 Flood Requirements in the IBC & IRC
 Mark Roberts – *Int'l Building Codes*

5:30 – Till Hospitality Cookout
Cajun Cookout @ Prien Lake Park

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FRIDAY – APRIL 3, 2008

SESSION IV

- 8:30 – 9:00** Coffee and Danish
- 9:00 – 9:30** Louisiana State NFIP Program
Sandra Batten – *LA DOTD*
- 9:30 – 10:00** Community Assessment Visit
David Hiegel or TBA – *FEMA Region 6*
- 10:00 – 10:30** New and Improved ASFPM
Al Goodman - *ASFPM Chairman*
- 10:30 – 11:15** General Business Meeting
Election of Board Members and
Regional Representatives
2008 Conference Wrap Up
Michael Hunnicutt - *LFMA Chairman*
- 1:00 – 4:00** CFM Exam (pre-registered applicants only) Dana Guidry, CFM – Proctor

Registration must be made through the ASFPM by March 21, 2008, contact Anita Larson at (608) 274-0123 or online @ www.floods.org)

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LFMA Rate \$89.00 plus tax

L. F. M. A. - Official Registration Form - 2008 Conference

NAME: _____ **ADDRESS:** _____
TITLE: _____ **CITY/ST/ZIP:** _____
FIRM: _____ **TELEPHONE:** (____) _____
FAX: (____) _____

REGISTRATION includes: Conference Packet, Luncheon, Wine & Cheese Reception, and Cookout.

Registration (Please circle all that apply)

- Members \$90.00 (early as possible; by March 21, 2008)
- Non-Members \$120.00 (includes membership)
- One Day \$40.00 (Thursday only)
- Spouse \$25.00
- Late Registration \$100.00 member
- \$130.00 non-member
- Tech Tour \$40.00
- LFMA T-Shirt \$15.00 (State size: ____ S; ____ M; ____ L; ____ XL; ____ XXL)

[Free T-Shirt if registered by March 21, 2008]

[Please note any special dietary requirements for Luncheon; i. e. diabetic, salt restricted]

TOTAL _____

Make check payable to [LA Floodplain Management Association](http://www.lafloodplains.org).

Registration fee and this form should be mailed to:

Thomas J. Rodrigue, Jr. – LFMA Treasurer
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 Baton Rouge, LA 70896

All room accommodations made DIRECTLY through:
 Isle of Capri Hotel and Resort - (337) 430-2300 or 1-(888) ISLE-VIP.

(Contact ASFPM for CFM Exam – asfpm@floods.org or (608) 274-0123; NLT, Deadline March 21, 2008)

Louisiana Floodplain Management Association (LFMA) Application for Membership

Name: _____ **Interest in floodplain management:** _____
Title: _____ _____
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Sponsorships:

- Bronze Level (\$100.00)** _____
Listing in Conference Package, Sponsor Board
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- Platinum Level (\$1,000.00)** _____
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- Corporate Level (\$2,000.00 - \$5,000.00)** _____
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Fees for Exhibitor is \$250.00
(Exhibit area will be open on all days, and will be outside of meeting rooms, there will be no exhibitor reception, and exhibit space is very limited, registration not included)

Company Information

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 Contact Person: _____

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THE MITIGATION CORNER

By: Michael D. Hunnicutt, CFM

The mitigation corner is for the purposes of informing every one of the mitigation activity and programs available to them from FEMA. This special series of articles highlight what services the Mitigation Section of FEMA provides to the public and communities, and future articles will highlight programs in more detail. The Mitigation Section is a division of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, which is an agency of the United States Department of Homeland Security. One of the areas of mitigation is "Risk Analysis". FEMA's Risk Analysis Section is responsible for Flood Hazard Mapping, the National Dam Safety Program, the National Hurricane Program, and Mitigation Planning. Since FEMA is working on the new DFIRM's, in this Mitigation Corner, I will focus on the Flood Hazard Mapping.

Government agencies must understand the full impact of natural hazards using applied multi-hazard engineering science and advanced technology in order to effectively plan to reduce natural hazard effects. Through the Flood Map Modernization (Map Mod), FEMA is transforming the Nation's flood maps into more reliable, easier-to-use, and readily available maps. The [Multi-Year Flood Hazard Identification Plan](#) (MHIP) describes the strategy, schedule, and budget developed by FEMA for producing flood hazard data and maps to administer the NFIP. It is a living document that is updated annually through a collaborative process to engage stakeholders. As part of its commitment to improve the Nation's flood hazard maps and in response to stakeholder feedback, FEMA performed a comprehensive review of Map Mod. This review is referred to as the [Mid-Course Adjustment](#). As a result of the Mid-Course Adjustment, FEMA prioritized funding based on a goal of mapping 90 percent of the Nation's highest-risk areas.

FEMA is considering possible approaches to flood hazard mapping efforts in Fiscal Year 2009 (FY09) and beyond. The NFIP authorizing statutes require that FEMA assess flood hazard data update needs each five years and make flood hazard data and maps available to the public. The concepts under consideration for flood hazard mapping in FY09 and beyond will enable FEMA, based on available resources, to address this statutory requirement and build on the benefits of the digital flood hazard data and maps provided as part of Map Mod. Cooperating Technical Partners (CTP) is an innovative approach to creating partnerships between FEMA and participating NFIP communities, regional agencies, and State agencies that have the interest and capability to become more active participants in the FEMA Flood Hazard Mapping program.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Mitigation Directorate maintains and updates the [National Flood Insurance Program](#) (NFIP) maps. To keep up with the latest developments in Flood Hazard Mapping, please visit [What's New in Flood Hazard Mapping](#) and [subscribe](#) to the e-mail updates on Flood Hazard Mapping Activities. For more information you may [e-mail](#) or call a Map Specialist in the FEMA [Map Assistance Center](#); toll free, at 1-877-FEMA MAP (1-877-336-2627). If you have any questions about the Mitigation Section of FEMA or any of its programs, you can contact Michael Hunnicutt, CFM, Deputy Section Chief, Hazard Mitigation Division, NFIP/Compliance, FEMA, DHS, at 504-762-2298 or visit FEMA website at www.fema.gov.

Upcoming Events

April 1, 2008	LFMA Board Meeting Lake Charles/Westlake, LA
April 2 - 4, 2008	LFMA Annual Conference Lake Charles/Westlake, LA
May 18-23, 2008	ASFPM Reno, NV
July 25, 2008	LFMA Summer Workshop Marksville, LA
October 11-15, 2008	4th National Conference & Expo on Coastal and Estuarine Habitat Restoration Providence, RI
October 24, 2008	LFMA Fall Workshop Hammond, LA



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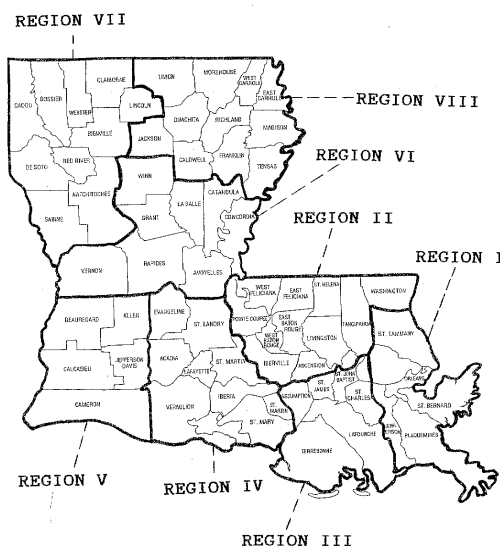
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