

HAZUS-MH for Decision Makers - A Free Training Seminar



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Free Training Seminar Focuses on a Free ArcGIS Application Developed by FEMA.

A **free** training seminar, HAZUS-MH for Decision Makers, is available for viewing at any time on the ESRI Virtual Campus web site. This seminar is to help the user community to have a better understanding of the capabilities of HAZUS-MH.

HAZUS-MH, developed by FEMA, is designed to support the ongoing disaster response needs of communities as well as meet the risk assessment requirements of programs such as the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000. The application's variety of options is useful to a wide range of individuals and organizations, providing tools to both novice users with limited knowledge of hazard analysis as well as advanced users with expertise in the area.



HAZUS-MH for Decision Makers provides an overview of HAZUS-MH capabilities for anyone interested in preparing for and dealing with natural disasters, including elected officials, planners, public health and public safety, engineering and economic development departments, academics, and insurance and utility representatives. The seminar demonstrates the application's flood, earthquake, and hurricane models and discusses the types of analysis options and output formats that can be derived from each model. Other topics discussed include:

- Key benefits of HAZUS-MH in disaster management and mitigation planning
- Methods for using hazard maps to identify and assess critical resources, infrastructure, and populations at risk
- Strategies for using a geographic information system (GIS) and HAZUS-MH to support decision making for emergency managers
- How to use HAZUS-MH in emergency planning and training exercises
- Opportunities for HAZUS-MH education, user groups, and other user integration

A broadband Internet connection and an ESRI Virtual Campus membership are required to view the seminar. Becoming a Virtual Campus member is free and only takes a few minutes. More information about this seminar, including instructions for viewing, is available at <http://campus.esri.com/campus/home/workshoplister.cfm>.

