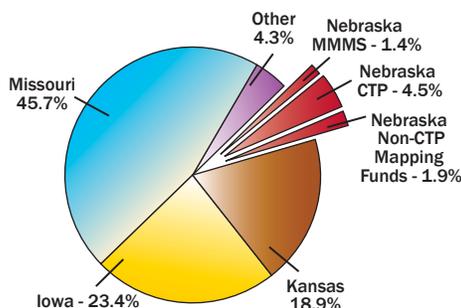


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REGIONAL AND STATE VIEW

Federal FY06 Region VII Funding Distribution Total \$9,817,624



Source: State percentage received of total FY06 Flood Map Modernization Regional production budget according to internal FEMA procurement data (PALT). Nebraska 7.8%

PURPOSE OF BUSINESS PLAN SUMMARY

The Map Modernization Management Support (MMMS) Business Plan Summary was compiled by reviewing the Federal Fiscal Year (FY) 2005-2009 MMMS Business Plans and FY 2007 updates. These business plans were submitted to the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) by FEMA's MMMS partners.

The spring 2007 Business Plan Summary is being published at the crossroads of FEMA's mid-program evaluation and the end-state conditions of Map Modernization. This year, the summary reflects the MMMS partners' approach to and the effects of FEMA's mid-course adjustment, in addition to outlining their accomplished and planned MMMS activities, highlighting the MMMS partner's approach to meeting the goals of and program vision for Map Modernization. FEMA's mid-course adjustment is a redirection of improving and updating the Nation's flood hazard identification maps. FEMA will now focus on developing flood maps that meet new higher standards for mapping and for a greater allocation of

resources to those communities at greatest flood risk. The "end state conditions" refer to how successful the flood mapping effort is at the end of Map Modernization in FY 2010.

STATE VISION FOR MAP MODERNIZATION AND IMPLEMENTATION

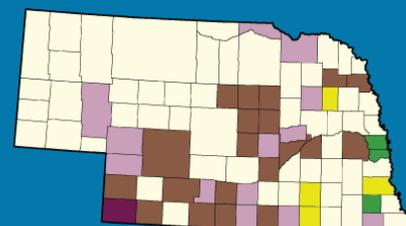
In Nebraska, floodplain management responsibilities reside at the local unit of government. However, the state has strong floodplain management statutes that reflect, and in some instances, exceed federal minimum standards. The Nebraska Department of Natural Resources (NDNR) is the State NFIP coordinator, and is responsible for assisting local communities with floodplain management regulations, ordinances, and community assistance visits. Among other duties, NDNR is directed to provide floodplain information to local units of government, and to assist the federal government with mapping flooding hazards.

The state of Nebraska has put systems in place to identify potential hazards and mitigate them before damage can occur. Accurate floodplain maps are an integral part of the process. Therefore, Nebraska's floodplain mapping program stands on its own, separate from FEMA's mapping program. Despite the different legislative foundations for the state and federal mapping programs, there is a large degree of commonality between the two. Because the two programs are aligned, Nebraska strongly supports FEMA's objectives for Map Modernization.

EFFECTS/APPROACH OF/TO MIDCOURSE ADJUSTMENT

Based on FEMA's mid-course adjustment, 39 of Nebraska's 93 counties are not scheduled to be modernized with funding from fiscal years 2006, 2007, or 2008.

MAP OF EFFECTIVE DFIRMS



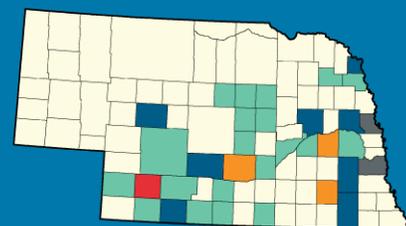
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Map of Effective DFIRMs



Source: FEMA Regional Flood Study Sequencing by County – March 2007

MAP OF PRELIMINARY DFIRMS



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Map of Preliminary DFIRMs



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The counties that will not be modernized include 19 counties that do not currently have a countywide floodplain map, and 20 counties that need to continue to use effective (paper-based) FIRMs.

SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND STRENGTHS OR SUCCESS STORIES

The state of Nebraska fully supports Map Modernization: the process of reviewing the adequacy of existing maps, and digitally converting maps or performing new studies in order to create digital Flood Insurance Rate Maps (DFIRMs). The state has actively mapped floodplains since the 1970s. In 1998, Nebraska began the Large Area Mapping Initiative (LAMI), which consisted of using a geographic information system (GIS) to efficiently produce a countywide flood map. In 2000, Nebraska began participating in the Cooperating Technical Partner (CTP) program with FEMA.

The overall strategy for Map Modernization in Nebraska is to work in a solid partnership with FEMA to complete as much mapping as possible at the lowest cost. Nebraska will continue to work closely with FEMA on establishing mapping priorities and effective processes to complete this mapping.

SIGNIFICANT COOPERATIVE EFFORTS WITH PARTNERS

Between 2000 and 2004 Nebraska mapped 18 counties as CTP projects. Three counties were or are currently being studied by local CTPs and/or study contractors (Douglas, Lancaster, and Sarpy Counties). Four additional counties have had recent countywide studies completed.

Nebraska will continue to partner with FEMA (as a CTP) for Map Modernization. In addition, when requested by local government officials, the state will support local CTP initiatives and partnerships with local governments. Nebraska will work to see that the products resulting from partnerships do not conflict and are complementary, not duplicative. This plan allows for the continued addition of partners, and provides for partner's increased contribution and ownership of the data.

The state will also partner with the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Omaha District. Nebraska has contracted with the USACE, and will continue to work with them. The management of such a partnership has been assisted through earned value management. Nebraska has utilized project management software, and will continue to invest time and effort into systems that will better allow us to manage, schedule and budget for floodplain mapping projects.

UNMET NEEDS OF NEBRASKA'S MAP MODERNIZATION PROGRAM

Nebraska staff and contractors will require additional training (by FEMA or the National Service Provider (NSP) on the use of the Mapping Information Platform (MIP). Local communities will require training on the use and presentation of digital data. Nebraska will incorporate such training in ongoing outreach and education activities. The state will work with the NSP to develop appropriate training methods and modules for community officials, so that they may effectively utilize digital data. Training may be classroom-based, and should also be available on the Internet.

An additional area of need is a redundant capability for production of draft, preliminary, and effective FIRMs in a timely manner. NDNR is interested in fully participating with FEMA in a mapping-on-demand system, where preliminary (and potentially, effective) FIRMs are distributed primarily on CD. With such a system, NDNR will need to continue to have the ability to quickly plot D-sized FIRM panels for local officials that require hardcopies. NDNR currently has one rapid plotter and one slower plotter available. NDNR will work with FEMA and other funding sources to maintain this capability.

LEVEE STRATEGY

As a result of recent guidance by FEMA, NDNR will work with FEMA in a partnering relationship for certification and recertification of levees in counties to be mapped.

ACCOMPLISHED ACTIVITIES FY06

- Hired an employee to assist with outreach, communications, and map and ordinance adoption

MMMS ACTIVITIES PLANNED FY07

- Staff member will produce a short informational video to be shown at scoping and final meetings
- Upgrade the web interface to provide greater speed and improved stability
- Additions to existing community outreach, ordinance assistance, and map adoption