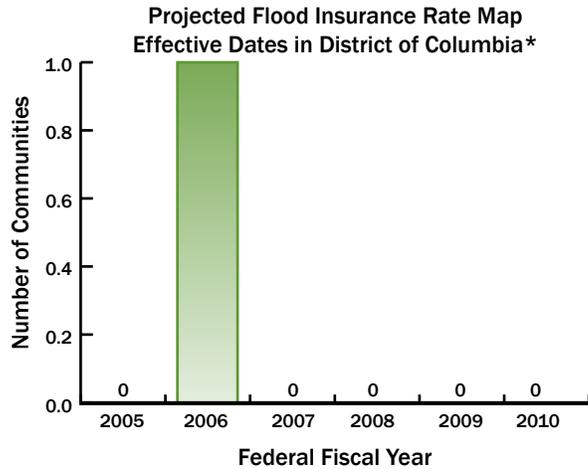


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\*Currently includes both participating and non-participating communities from Multi-Year Flood Hazard Identification Plan sequencing, Version 1.5, June 2005.

\*\*Percentages may have been rounded to the nearest whole number. The pie chart shows the CAP-SSSE activities the State agency responsible for floodplain management is undertaking in relation to other activities.

### PURPOSE

This report is an outcome of the review of the Federal Fiscal Year (FY) 2005-2009 Floodplain Management Work Plans by the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). It is intended to show the relationship of Community Assistance Program – State Support Services Element (CAP-SSSE) activities, and resource allocation, the State is undertaking in response to the flood mapping production schedule of Flood Map Modernization, and to highlight the efforts that are underway to achieve the flood loss reduction goals of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

### STATE VISION FOR FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT

The Government of the District of Columbia Emergency Management Agency (EMA) coordinates the response to emergencies, disasters, and catastrophic events. The EMA has primary responsibility for saving lives and protecting property against hazards of all types. The EMA administers an aggressive hazard mitigation program that helps District of Columbia citizens and businesses reduce disaster losses.

### STATE FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

The following laws and regulations govern the District of Columbia Floodplain Management Program:

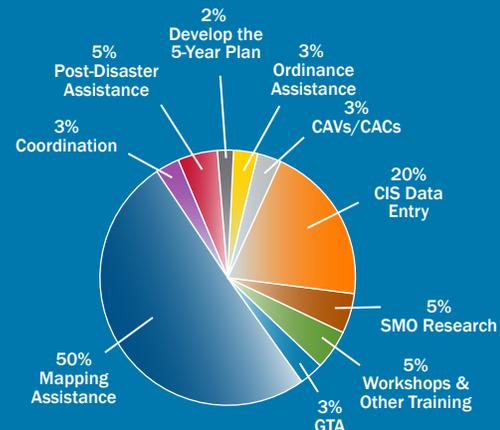
1. District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (DCMR) Title 20, Chapter 31, Flood Hazard Rules
2. D.C. Law 2-23 (The District of Columbia Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Act of 1977)
3. D.C. Law 1-64 (District of Columbia Applications Insurance Implementation Act of 1976); D.C. Code 5-301; Mayor's Order 84-193, dated November 2, 1984
4. D.C. Law 8-36 (The District of Columbia Environmental Policy Act of 1989)
5. D.C. Law 6-216 (Construction Codes Approval and Amendments Act of 1986)
6. Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et. seq.
7. D.C. Law 5-188 (The District of Columbia Water Pollution Control Act of 1984, and subsequent amendments)
8. DCMR 21 Chapter 5 (D.C. Soil Erosion and Sediment Control and Stormwater Management Regulations)

### SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS, STRENGTHS, OR SUCCESS STORIES OF THE FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

The District demonstrates strong capability for establishing intra- and interagency

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According to the FY 2005-2009 Work Plan, District of Columbia will perform the following activities in FY 2005:\*\*



### GAP ANALYSIS

\*\*\*How many Full Time Equivalents (FTEs) are employed for floodplain management in the State agency: **2**

How many additional FTEs are needed to perform Floodplain Management activities: **5**

Participation Status: **100%/1**

Participation Status: **0%/0**

\*\*\*Referenced from the Association of State Floodplain Managers' *Floodplain Management 2003, State and Local Programs*



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liaisons through partnerships with the private and Federal sectors. However, there is a need for the District to consider developing project collaborations with counterparts in Prince George's and Montgomery Counties in Maryland and contiguous jurisdictions in Northern Virginia concerning the development of multi-state mapping products. Also, the District of Columbia should consider strengthening the partnership with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Baltimore District, Natural Resource Conservation Service, and the U.S. Geological Survey to improve mapping precision.

### OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS, WHERE DOES THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FORESEE A SHORTAGE OF RESOURCES?

A preliminary assessment of major gaps in strategic floodplain planning in meeting the strategic plan objectives can be synthesized around gaps in knowledge and gaps in resources available to support floodplain management with information technology. The knowledge gap between data/technology providers and floodplain management end users is an important issue to address. A significant gap exists between existing Geographic Information System, technology products and deployment, and floodplain management needs for refined information and applications to address the specific problems of the

Watershed Protection Division daily workflow. There is a need for better dissemination of information on available data products and tools, as well as training on usage. Overarching the technical issues and challenges, the budget gap must be addressed in order to apply existing capabilities to interagency and regional needs.

### SIGNIFICANT COOPERATIVE EFFORTS WITH FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL PARTNERS IN SUPPORT OF FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT

The partnership between EMA and the DC Department of Health (DOH) enhances the ability for the District Government to target and fund flood mitigation projects; identify the Department of Homeland Security's FEMA's Flood Map Modernization needs; assist citizens with obtaining flood zone determinations; promote the NFIP; and encourage proactive flood mitigation measures through community education.

DOH collaborates with regional organizations including the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Chesapeake Bay Program, the Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin, and the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments to address shared environmental concerns. These organizations include public and private partners from Maryland, Virginia, and the District of Columbia.

### FEDERALLY DECLARED DISASTERS/EMERGENCIES BY CALENDAR YEAR

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	2004	2005
Federally Declared Disasters	N/A	N/A
Federally Declared Emergency Declarations	N/A	N/A

### FLOOD INSURANCE AND LOSS SUMMARY FROM 1978 TO MARCH 31, 2005

	TOTAL CURRENT POLICIES	TOTAL PREMIUM (\$)**	NUMBER OF CLAIMS***	TOTAL PAID DOLLARS (\$)****
<b>NATIONAL RANKINGS*</b>	1,130	\$281,969	78	\$924,703
	52nd	52nd	53rd	53rd

\* National ranking based on NFIP NextGen data; ranked from highest to lowest.

\*\* The total amount of premiums for policies in-force.

\*\*\* The total number of claims reported.

\*\*\*\* The total amount paid on claims.

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