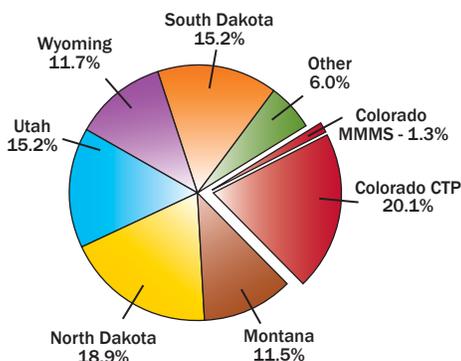


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REGIONAL AND STATE VIEW

Federal FY06 Region VIII Funding Distribution Total \$8,195,032



Source: State percentage received of total FY06 Flood Map Modernization Regional production budget according to internal FEMA procurement data (PALT). Colorado 21.4%

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

The CWCB will act as the coordinating and implementing agency for FEMA by providing accurate digital floodplain management tools and flood insurance information to state residents. Local resources will be maximized to complement FEMA's provided funding focuses on areas where existing flood hazard information needs to be updated, where flood hazard risks are high, and where future development is anticipated.

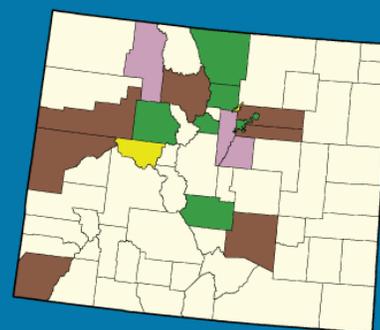
SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND STRENGTHS OR SUCCESS STORIES

The state of Colorado is working on the development of a website to provide effective and preliminary digital Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) for public access. CWCB also has a digital database which the public is able to access via the web to download studies and their associated models with which the CWCB has been involved. This database is a continuous work in progress as more DFIRMs are being finalized and the maintenance program begins.

SIGNIFICANT COOPERATIVE EFFORTS WITH PARTNERS

In FY 2006, the CWCB contacted four counties to begin a countywide DFIRM project with the allocated FEMA funds. Of the four counties contacted, all have been interested in participating on a financial

MAP OF EFFECTIVE DFIRMS



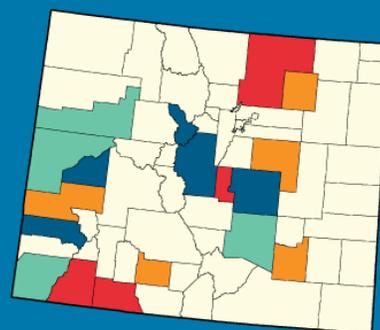
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Map of Effective DFIRMs



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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basis; however, only three of those counties can afford to contribute financially at this time.

IMPEDIMENTS TO MAP ADOPTION

CWCB does not have legal means to determine whether local governments have the legal authority to adopt the State Floodplain Model Ordinance. In some communities, local floodplain management ordinances may be able to be written in order to allow revisions to the FIRMs and to flood insurance studies to be legally enforceable automatically upon adoption by FEMA without requiring adoption by each local government, a position strongly discouraged in a recommendation by the State Attorney General's Office. However, at this point, a conservative recommendation by the CWCB would be to have local governments adopt the State Floodplain Model Ordinance without the automatic adoption provision and have communities actively revise their ordinances as new maps and studies become available rather than utilizing the automatic adoption language. Once FEMA has created a standard program for the implementation of digital map adoption, the CWCB will be able to start discussions with the Colorado Attorney General to begin the program in Colorado.

UNMET NEEDS OF COLORADO'S MAP MODERNIZATION PROGRAM

The CWCB has identified a need for further training in Geographic Information Systems, Mapping Needs Update Support System, Mapping Information Platform, and the Scoping Tool.

LEVEE STRATEGY

The CWCB is working on a letter which is based upon a template provided by FEMA which discusses Procedure Memorandum No. 34 and 44 CFR 65.10 and the requirements necessary to maintain certification of levees. It also discusses how to continue to show levees providing protection on FEMA FIRM panels.

ACCOMPLISHED ACTIVITIES FY06

- The CWCB coordinated and facilitated several pre-scoping and scoping meetings and interviews in FY06, resulting in ten MASs and awarded contracts.
- FEMA contributed about 76% toward DFIRM conversions and restudies, with about 12% from the state and a significant 13% from local governments. The total funding contributed to DFIRM projects and restudies in FY06 exceeded \$1.7 million on CWCB-managed projects.