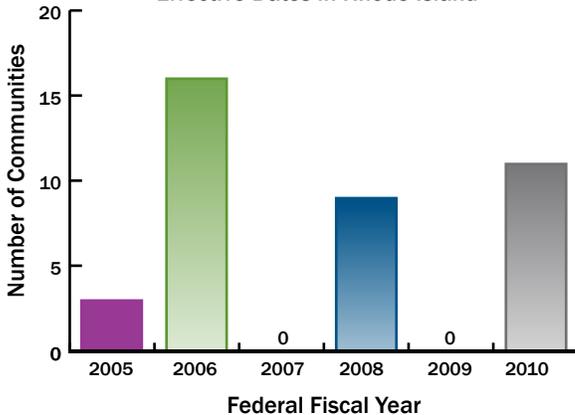


Rhode Island Five-Year Plan Summary

COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – STATE SUPPORT SERVICES ELEMENT

Projected Flood Insurance Rate Map
Effective Dates in Rhode Island*



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

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

By 2010, through effective leadership and partnerships, achieve 100 percent high quality digital flood maps for Rhode Island, with improved flood hazard data for the watersheds with highest population, land use change, growth, and need and coastal erosion data for shoreline mapping; create a continuously improving program for flood hazard data development and future map maintenance; foster an environment to build State and local capabilities consistent with the continued availability of federal funding;

and promote professional excellence within the State of Rhode Island.

STATE FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

Rhode Island is a "home-rule" State comprised of 39 incorporated cities and towns, all of which participate in the NFIP. Nearly all land authority rests with local jurisdictions.

OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS, WHERE DOES RHODE ISLAND FORESEE A SHORTAGE OF RESOURCES?

Rhode Island's home-rule structure dictates that adoption of new maps is carried out at the local level. Counties in Rhode Island do not have authority over land use; therefore, the effort to assist communities in Rhode Island with map adoption entails significant outreach and education. This is especially true in many rural communities where the floodplain administrator and the community staff are often not full-time employees of the municipality. Rhode Island anticipates being significantly limited in this capacity until FY07, when the State expects to exceed FEMA's map adoption goals.

GAP ANALYSIS

****How many Full Time Equivalent (FTEs) are employed for floodplain management in the State agency: 1**

How many additional FTEs are needed to perform floodplain management activities: 0

What percent/number of floodprone communities participate in the NFIP: 100%/40

What percent/number of NFIP communities participate in the Community Rating System: 10%/4

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



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

One of Rhode Island's objectives is to foster mutually beneficial partnerships that achieve shared outcomes through the communication of flood risk and other hazard information and improve

the systems that support the flood mapping program. Through the Rhode Island Geographical Information System, the State will be more actively involved in populating and disseminating final Digital Flood Insurance Rate Map data. The Rhode Island Emergency Management Agency plans to investigate the possible participation of other entities in the State, such as the University of Rhode Island, in supporting this effort.

FEDERALLY DECLARED DISASTERS/EMERGENCIES BY CALENDAR YEAR

RHODE ISLAND	2004	2005
Federally Declared Disasters	N/A	N/A
Federally Declared Emergency Declarations	N/A	Snow - February 17

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

	TOTAL CURRENT POLICIES	TOTAL PREMIUM (\$)***	NUMBER OF CLAIMS***	TOTAL DOLLARS PAID (\$)****
NATIONAL RANKINGS*	11,752	\$10,050,968	2,707	\$19,404,439
	38th	29th	40th	41st

* 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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