

FEMA: Week in Review



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New Orleans, LA

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WOMEN'S

HISTORY MONTH

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Announcements

PRESIDENTIAL POLICY DIRECTIVE 8 NATIONAL PLANNING FRAMEWORKS AND RECOVERY INTERAGENCY OPERATIONAL PLAN

FEMA and its partners are seeking your input on four working drafts of the National Planning Frameworks, and the initial draft of the Recovery Federal Interagency Operational Plan, which are part of [Presidential Policy Directive 8/PPD-8: National Preparedness](#). PPD-8 is a policy directive that asks federal agencies to work with the whole community—including all levels of government, individuals and communities, businesses, nonprofits and faith-based organizations—to work together to improve national preparedness.

As an element of the implementation of PPD-8, the National Frameworks, focusing on Prevention, Protection, Mitigation, Response and Recovery, clearly define key preparedness roles and responsibilities for the entire community. Over the course of the next 30 days, stakeholders will have the opportunity to provide additional input to the drafts of these Frameworks and the initial draft of the Recovery Federal Interagency Operational Plan. The period will end on April 2, 2012.

Please visit www.fema.gov/ppd8 to view the working drafts of these documents and submit your input using the accompanying matrix.

Private Sector Input

FEMA will be hosting [webinars](#) during the month of March for people to provide their thoughts on the private sector and nonprofit roles and responsibilities identified in the working draft frameworks that are part of [Presidential Policy Directive 8 \(PPD-8\): National Preparedness](#).

The dates and topics of the webinars are:

March 12, 2012 - 12 p.m. - 2 p.m. EDT - Webinar 2: Mitigation

March 14, 2012 - 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. EDT - Webinar 3: Protection

March 21, 2012 - 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. EDT - Webinar 4: Response

To [RSVP](#) for webinars visit: <https://vlevittown.vjpo.org/public/launch.aspx>



Jefferson Parish will host the 2012 Louisiana State Citizen Corps Conference on March 23-24 at the Pontchartrain Convention Center located at 4545 Williams Boulevard, Kenner, La. The conference will highlight best practices for Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) programs and include a triage exercise. The event is free and open to the public.

For more information and to register, please contact [Chelsea Brown](#) at 225-922-0260.

FEMA Recovery Video: [80 Arpent Pump Station](#)

http://www.fema.gov/medialibrary/media_records/7588



Funded primarily through a \$3.2 million FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant, the capacity of a pump station is being increased in Boutte, La. The increased capacity will reduce the potential for future flooding in St. Charles Parish. The addition of two new pumps at the station will increase the pumping capacity to approximately 950 cubic feet per second, this is equivalent to filling a 10-lane Olympic-size pool in a minute and a half.



Michelle Obama
First Lady

Flood Safety Awareness Week (March 12-16)

Did you know that out of 2 million Louisiana households and businesses, only one-half million have flood insurance policies? That's only 25 percent.

Visit floodsmart.gov.

Calendar

March 16: Rosa Keller Library Grand Opening 4300 South Broad Street, New Orleans, La. 2:30 p.m.

March 20: Norman Mayer Library Grand Opening, 4200 Old Gentilly Road, New Orleans, La. 2 p.m.

March 22: Robert E. Smith Library Grand Opening, 6301 Canal Blvd, New Orleans, La. 11:30 a.m.

March 23-24: Louisiana State Citizen Corps Conference, Pontchartrain Convention Center, Kenner, La.

Housing Update

Katrina/Rita: 1 units

Gustav/Ike: 2 units

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