



# HAZUS Award Program

**HAZUS-MH** is the nationally applicable standardized methodology and software program that estimates potential losses from earthquakes, floods and hurricane winds. Through state-of-the-art geographic information system (GIS) software, users are able to map and display hazard data and the results of damage and economic loss estimates for buildings and infrastructure and impacts on socio and economic populations. As the User Community grows, new applications are being discovered in government, the private sector and academia. In recognition of these innovative practices and the importance of increasing awareness of HAZUS and its capabilities, FEMA is proud to announce the **2007 HAZUS Award Program**.

In its first year, the Award Program will sponsor three different HAZUS Awards: **Exceptional Individual/Team Award, Exemplary Community Award, and Exemplary HUG (HAZUS User Group) Award**. For each category, winners will be selected for work in the areas of Earthquakes, Floods and Hurricanes. The number of entries from each category and hazard area will determine the final number of awards.

Awards will be administered by an independent committee of judges, comprised of FEMA representatives, technical experts and HAZUS users. The committee will set the criteria for the awards, review applications, recommend award recipients to FEMA Program Directors and oversee all aspects of the recognition program for award winners.

All 2007 winners will be recognized and presented with awards at the awards luncheon to be held at the National HAZUS Users Conference, June 19-20, in San Diego, CA in conjunction with the International ESRI Conference.

Nominations can be submitted for the following categories. Please indicate if the award is for Flood, Wind or Earthquake:

1. **Exceptional Individual/Team Award**—established to recognize the achievements of individuals or teams that have implemented HAZUS in such a manner that it has proven critical in the improvement of internal or external disaster operations, mitigation studies or program development.
2. **Exemplary Community Award**— established to recognize outstanding achievements by leaders in their communities (City Manager/Mayor, Emergency Operations Manager, Fire Chief) who have effectively incorporated the HAZUS concepts in all areas of disaster management (mitigation, preparedness, response, recovery).
3. **Exemplary HUG Award**—established to recognize HAZUS Users Groups for their positive impact on their membership, HAZUS awareness and capabilities. Each current HUG is eligible for consideration and may nominate itself.



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## *Nomination Form*

Exceptional Individual/Team

Earthquakes  
Floods  
Hurricane Winds

Exemplary Community Award

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Floods  
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Exemplary HUG Award

Earthquakes  
Floods  
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### NOMINEE INFORMATION

Name (first, last):

Organization:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

E-mail:

Phone Number:

### NOMINATOR INFORMATION

Name (first, last):

Organization:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

E-mail:

Phone Number:

Please provide a description of what this individual(s) has done in reference to the award category description.

Nominations are due by May 10, 2007. Please fax form to 703.471.8021 or mail to PBS&J, 3859 Centerview Drive, Suite 160, Chantilly, VA 20151 Attn: Beth Miller Howser