What’s New at FEMA?
Agency

- FEMA Maintained – United States Emergency Management Authority
- Return of Preparedness to FEMA
- Director reports to the President during Disaster
- Maintain 10 Regional Offices
- Strategic Human Capital Plan
- HMGP Funding
HMGP Funding

The third sentence of section 404(a) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5170c(a)) is amended by striking `7.5 percent' and inserting `15 percent for the amount spent up to $2,000,000,000, 10 percent for amounts between $2,000,000,000 and $10,000,000,000, and 7.5 percent on amounts spent between $10,000,000,000 and $35,333,000,000'.
Proposed NFIP Legislative Changes (H.R. 4973)

- $23 B in Claims shortfall, Increased Borrowing Authority
- Elimination of Pre-FIRM subsidy
- Mandatory Purchase in 500-Year Floodplain
- Reduced Waiting Period
- Increased Maximum Coverage Amounts
- Annual Reporting of Financial Status
- Reiteration of Insurance Agents Training Requirements
Mitigation at HQ

- Moved to Crystal City, VA (Temporary)
- Business Transformation
- New Grant Programs (SRL & RFC)
- Connection improved with Regions (Regional & Disaster Support)
- Emphasis on CRS
Region III

- New Regional Director?
- Office Space
- New Staff (DCO, Red Cross, etc.)
R3 Mitigation

Priorities

1. Implement Regional Mitigation Reorganization for R3
2. Map Modernization (Levees)
3. DMA 2K 322 Plans
4. PDM-C, SRL & RFC
5. NFIP
6. Disaster Management
7. Outreach
8. Environmental/Historic Preservation
R3 Mitigation

DRAFT Mitigation Division
Regional Proposed New Org Structure

Region 3

Disaster Operations & Cadre Management
(Catastrophic Disaster Planning, Cadre Management, Professional Development of Cadre Management, Liaison to HQ R&DS)

- Ops Officer - Vacant

Disaster Operations – RE-ORG VACANCY

Environmental & Historical Preservation

- REO - Vacant

Core - Vacant

NOTE: Beyond the established (current) vacancies, all Regions should show the following five Re-Org Vacancies:
- 3rd Branch Chief
- Senior Engineer
- Disaster Operations (listed in Disaster Ops & Cadre Mgmt)
- Insurance Specialist (listed in Fld Mgmt & Insurance)
- Planner (listed in Risk Analysis)

Outreach (Optional)

- Gene Marrone

Stephanie Nixon

Risk Analysis
(Map Modernization, Multi-Hazard Mitigation Planning, HAZUS, Hurricane, Dam Safety)

- Branch Chief - TBD

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Hazard Mitigation Assistance
(Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, Pre-Disaster Mitigation, Flood Mitigation Assistance, Severe Repetitive Loss, Repetitive Flood Claims)

- Branch Chief - TBD

Floodplain Mgmt & Insurance (Floodplain Management, Insurance coordination/liaison)

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