

Understanding and Communicating Risk using Preliminary Flood Insurance Rate Maps

Workshop for New Hampshire Coastal Community Officials

September 30, 2014 – 8:30 AM to 12 PM

Newington Town Office, Meeting Room, 205 Nimble Hill Road, Newington, NH

AGENDA

- 8:30 – 9:00 AM** **Sign In and Meet & Greet**
- 9:00 – 9:10 AM** **Introductions and Workshop Overview** (NH Office of Energy and Planning)
- 9:10 – 9:40 AM** **Understanding the Preliminary Flood Insurance Rate Maps** (FEMA/NH Office of Energy and Planning)
- Overview of the preliminary maps
 - Project timeline
 - Appeals, Letter of Map Changes
- 9:40 – 10:00 AM** **Adoption of Amendments and Effective Maps to Community Floodplain Regulations** (NH Office of Energy and Planning)
- Review of floodplain ordinances; adoption of amendments
 - Map adoption process
- 10:00 – 10:15 AM** **Break**
- 10:15 – 11:00 AM** **Group Exercise – Simulation of FEMA’s Public Open House Meetings**
- One-on-one assistance from FEMA and project staff on reviewing the preliminary maps
 - How to help residents review the preliminary maps
- 11:00 – 11:30 AM** **Flood Insurance and Outreach** (FEMA Region 1)
- Recent laws impacting flood insurance
 - What residents need to know about flood insurance if mapped into a flood new zone
 - How to help residents make informed choices - comparing flood insurance premiums and potential flood losses and mitigation costs
 - How to work jointly with local insurance agents, realtors, and lending institutions
- 11:30 AM – 12:00 PM** **Questions and Wrap Up**