

Cooperating Technical Partners – ASFPM CTP subcommittee Monthly Call – March 10, 2025

Attendees: Alan Lulloff, Joanna Rohlf, Dave Guignet and Brooke Seymour

CTP webinars

Webinar options for the April – June time frame

The US Army Corps of Engineers submitted a proposal to put on a workshop on HECRAS 2025 at the ASFPM conference in New Orleans. It was not accepted but Kevin Currie reached out to me and suggested that it might be a good option for a CTP webinar. The subcommittee agreed that it would be good topic.

Brooke indicated that the Corps may not be able to send staff to the conference and it unclear if they can present for a webinar. She has had some recent contacts with the Corps and volunteered to reach out to them regarding a webinar. Note: the Corps has agreed to present on this topic June 3, 2025.

Should this not work out, Mark Forest indicated that he could present on hydrology in the May-June timeframe.

CTP conversation in New Orleans

The recent events regarding CTP funding will be a major topic at the ASFPM conference. We want to provide people an opportunity to indicate what they are struggling with and provide a venting opportunity.

The original thoughts were that Laura would present and we would also have a presentation on other funding options. It is uncertain whether federal staff will be able to attend the conference. Should this be the case it was suggested that Laura be asked to provide bullet points that could be provided to the group.

Some options discussed were:

- What people are seeing.
- What opportunities are out there. What are the positive views.

There has not been enough mention regarding what FEMA has done to prevent disasters. They do a lot more than just help with disaster response. Getting people to avoid flood hazard areas and to build to prevent flood damages.

The Mile High Flood District is hiring a contractor to help with scenario planning. No results will be available for the conference but it could be brought up as an option for people to consider.

The white house has indicated that agencies must scrub their grants to remove certain words. The listing of words is quite extensive.

FEMA is looking for basins to do some validation on the FFRD processes. It is unfortunate that they used the term future in their Future of Flood Risk Data initiative.

ASFPM held a Gilbert White forum recently that focused on How Artificial Intelligence can help with floodplain management. Meg Galloway may be able to present on the topic. The Mapping & Engineering

Standards committee is going to ask her to present on the topic at their committee meeting. The CTP Conversation has a different audience so she still may be able to present.

The CTP Conversation is from 3-5 pm on Monday. From 4 to 5 it conflicts with the ASFPM general meeting. While we may not cut the conversation time, mentioning the general membership meeting may be appropriate because FEMA funding will likely be topic at the general membership meeting.

We may need to provide improved support for communities and discuss how to tailor the message to communities. These challenges that are occurring does not change the risk to communities. This may require a larger role for CTPs working with communities.

For break-out sessions, topics that had been suggested were No Rise Analysis and 2D modeling. A more timely topic could be funding options but that could be the topic everyone chooses.

CTP social

Joanna is working on potential sites for the CTP social. The Avenue Pub is a good option. Public transportation could be used to get there. There is a fee of \$250 for a room reservation and \$2,000 minimum for food. Tuesday still seems like the best for the event. The subcommittee felt it would be good to send a notice out well in advance to the CTPs on the list that is sent out for webinars.

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