



County of Los Angeles
2025 Floodplain Management Plan Revision
3rd Floodplain Management Plan (FMP) Meeting
Wednesday, October 1, 2024, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. PDT
Virtual Meeting



<u>Attendees</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Type</u>
Glenn Tong	PW Building & Safety	Government (Alternate)
Joshua Felton	PW Building & Safety	Government (Alternate)
Loni Eazell	PW Emergency Management Group	Government
Angine Geragoosian	PW Emergency Management Group	Government (Alternate)
Pat Wood	PW Stormwater Engineering – CRS Coordinator	Government
Anjero Asprer	PW Stormwater Engineering – CRS Coordinator	Government (Alternate)
Gary (Yong) Guo	PW Stormwater Engineering – Hydrology & Hydraulics	Government (Alternate)
CJ Caluag	PW Stormwater Planning	Government (Alternate)
Nam Doan	PW Community Service & Government Relations Group	Government (Alternate)
Dorothy Wong	Altadena Town Council	Non-Government
Debbie Sharpton	Environmental Restoration Group	Non-Government
Mark Caddick	Antelope Valley Resident, Acton	Non-Government
Samson Wong	City of LA Bureau of Engineering	Non-Government
Salomon Miranda	CA Department of Water Resources	Non-Government
Shannon Ggem	Malibu Lake Mountain Club	Non-Government
Thu Win	PW Stormwater Engineering	Core Planning Team
William Saunders	PW Stormwater Engineering	Core Planning Team
Makenna Hobson	Burns & McDonnell	Core Planning Team
David Pohl	Burns & McDonnell	Core Planning Team
Courtney Semlow	Craftwater	Core Planning Team
Stephanie Pavon	MIG	Core Planning Team

Meeting Notes:

Welcome and Introductions

1. Anjero Asprer welcomed attendees, thanked everyone for their participation throughout this plan update process and everyone introduced themselves. The required quorum of a minimum of 10 members for the meeting is met.

Agenda

1. David Pohl presented the agenda to guide what will be spoken about today.



Draft RLAA Part 2 Power Point

1. Burns & McDonnell presented a PowerPoint slide presentation outlining the Draft RLAA Part 2 document and the corresponding FEMA CRS requirements met by each Chapter. The topics covered included:
 - a. Presentation of the determination of the five new repetitive loss areas that are provided in the RLAA Part 2. Information on these new Repetitive Loss Areas presented included the number of properties/structures within the area, the methodology in developing the RLA and possible mitigation measures to address impacts from flooding.
 - b. Discussion of the Reverse Function Analysis and how it was used for several of the RLA.
 - c. Comments during the presentation included:

Comment #1: The FMP should identify which Repetitive Loss Areas are within a designated disadvantaged community as there may be grant funding available to address flood hazard issues.

Response #1: The FMP Part 2 provides a map of the disadvantaged communities. A map can be added to the RLAA Part 2 or 3 that includes this disadvantage community data with the RLA information on a map. The project team will look into this and include this into the RLAA. This may go into Part 3 which covers mitigation measures and priorities.

Comment #2: Will there be education and outreach efforts directed at the Repetitive Loss Properties (RLP)?

Response #2: There are several outreach efforts directed at RLP and the properties within the RLA. This includes the community meetings during the planning process and after the RLAA and FMP updates are available for public review. A Community Meeting was held at the Malibou Lake community during the planning efforts. In addition, letters have been sent to the RLP and properties within the RLAs to notify them of the RLAA update. Another notice will be sent when the RLAA is available for public review and input. The notices include a link to the FMP Web-site and survey. The FMP web-site includes information from FEMA and Public Works on mitigation measures that can be implemented by private property owners. Although no educational information is directed at a particular RLP or RLA, the information from FEMA and Public Works provides a range of mitigation measures that are applicable to most properties.

Comment #3: How are properties taken off the list of RLP? For example, if a property has undergone changes to meet current standards.



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Response #3: Properties are removed from the list of RLP through a process that includes submitted the documentation to FEMA. Public Works submits this documentation when property status changes that allows for a change in status. Public Works has submitted this documentation for example for properties where the structures have been removed. FEMA resources may be the reason these properties off the list to date. It is important, however, to update the status of properties in the RLAA where flooding that have impacted the building have been mitigated. Public Works will continue to submit the documentation to request properties be removed as information is provided. There are benefits to reducing the number of RLP as requirements under the CRS decrease.

d. Written comments that have been received from the FMP Committee prior to the meeting were discussed and included:

Comment #1: Agua Dulce A: follow up needed on private property owner modifications

Response #1: Public Works conducts surveys of RLP periodically to check on status and also receives updates on properties that undergo changes requiring a building permit from Planning. This RLA will be identified for follow-up surveys to check on property owner modifications as notes in the report. Updates based on the surveys and other sources will be made when available. Updates will also be included in the annual report for the FMP as required by the CRS guidelines.

Comment #2: Mitigation Measures Table: Regarding the public entity actions, which involve improvements and maintenance, has/have the appropriate agencies been notified? If so, when, what action taken?

Response #2: Part 3, which will be sent to the FMP Committee in the next week for review, includes more detail on the responsibilities, riels and priorities of the mitigation measures listed in Part 2. Part 3 will identify the agency, where applicable, that is responsible for the action. The status of the action to implementation mitigation measures are reviewed annually and reported per the CRS guidance. Status of mitigation measures on private properties will be based on the surveys and information provided by the property owners.

Comment #3: Clarify the responsible party for maintaining offsite drainage and drainage within private property with regard to flooding

Response #3: The response was covered under the previous comment.

Comment #4: Clarify who would be providing education/outreach outside of the LACFCD



Response #4: Although there is limited funding for education/outreach efforts outside of the LACFCD, the FMP process includes community outreach meetings to communities where RLA are identified. As mentioned, RLP and properties within the RLAs are notified of the RLAA updates, public review of the RLAA and annual notifications. These notifications include links to the FMP website that includes educational material regarding mitigation measures that can be used by private property owners. Additional information on outreach efforts will be provided by Community Relations.

Comment #5: Clarify current status of Quartz Hill Drainage improvements. Hasn't the construction of the Quartz Hill drain addressed the flooding issues?

Response #5: Public Works will look into the current status. As mentioned in the above responses, Public Works conducts surveys of RLP periodically to check on status. This RLA will be identified for follow-up surveys. Updates based on the surveys and other sources will be made when available. Updates will also be included in the annual report for the FMP as required by the CRS guidelines.

e. The comment period for the RLAA Part 2 is extended to October 8th to allow for any additional comments committee members may have.

Draft FMP Part 2 Power Point

2. Burns & McDonnell presented a PowerPoint outlining the Draft FMP Part 2 document and the corresponding FEMA CRS requirements met by each Chapter. The topics presented included:
 - a. Overview of the CRS guidelines and the corresponding chapter and content of the FMP Part 2 that meet these reporting requirements.
 - b. Discussion of the land use and how most of the unincorporated county area is rural and open space compared to the urban areas in southeast LA which comprise a much smaller of the total unincorporated area but have much higher populations and density per area. These land uses affect the risk assessment results regarding comparative number of the population and structures potentially impacted by flooding.
 - c. Discussion of the maps generated from the HAZUS results which included potentially impacted population, number of structures and critical facilities potentially impacted and the portion of total replacement costs of structures that could be impacted by flooding.
 - d. Presentation of the concentrated disadvantage index and disaster declarations in LA County.



- e. Discussion of the comments received on the FMP part 2 and opened the flood to additional comments
- f. **The comment period for the FMP Part 2 is extended to October 8th to allow for any additional comments committee members may have.**

Public Outreach

1. MIG presented a brief overview of public outreach activities. The following is a summary of the information shared with the FMP Committee.
 - a. PPI Committee Meeting 2 - Met in early September to discuss and review the PPI Implementation Matrix. The matrix includes the set of outreach topics, types of messaging, audiences to reach, types of outcomes and set of projects underway or needed to reach these outcomes and audiences.
2. MIG will provide a revised draft, which includes comments and discussion from the committee meeting, via email for further review and comment from PPI committee members. Stephanie also announced the next committee meeting will be held in early November and will address the implementation and evaluation of PPI Implementation Matrix projects.
3. Community Floodplain Questionnaire
 - a. Stephanie Pavón from MIG presented an update about responses to the Community Floodplain Questionnaire and requested that committee members promote the survey to their neighbors, communities and networks in unincorporated Los Angeles County.

Next Committee Meeting and Action Items

1. The FMP committee should review/provide input on:
 - a. Comment period for the RLAA and FMP Part 2 is extended to the 8th. Please send comments to Anjero.
 - b. The Doodle Poll will be sent out in the next 2-weeks for the next meeting time and date. The date will be tentatively scheduled for November 12th.
 - c. Burns & McDonnell will be sending out FMP Part 3 Draft and RLAA Part 3 Draft with 2-3 weeks of review time before the next meeting.
 - d. The Survey- Please fill out the survey and share with local community if you are located in flooding areas.
2. Burns & McDonnell & Team will send out:
 - a. A doodle poll for the next meeting
 - b. Meeting Minutes and Copy of Presentation



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- c. The mailer flyer for the Community Flood Preparedness Questionnaire to FMP Committee members to share with their communities and networks.
- d. MIG will share a doodle poll with the PPI committee members for a meeting at the beginning of November.
- e. An Agenda for the next meeting

Meeting Adjourned at 11:30am PDT