



WV Emergency Management Division

COOPERATING TECHNICAL PARTNERS (CTP)

**FEMA-APPROVED COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND
MITIGATION STRATEGIES (COMS)**

STATEMENT OF WORK (SOW)

COMS SOW No. 1

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Document Organization and Instructions

This template should be used by Cooperating Technical Partners (CTPs) applying for an award to complete Community Outreach and Mitigation Strategies activities.

This document is organized into two parts to simplify and streamline the Statement of Work (SOW) completion process and improve the usability of the SOW for both the Cooperating Technical Partner (CTP) and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

Part 1 provides areas for the CTP to detail custom SOW elements (formatted in tables), along with required elements which cannot be modified by individual CTPs:

- Part 1.1 – 1.3. These sections are where the CTP will provide a narrative on the project and identify the scope elements to be completed under this SOW. Opportunities to clarify or modify the standard descriptions and deliverables on fundable activities (as shown in Part 2) are provided. Additionally, the CTP will indicate the schedule for delivery, leverage, budget, performance measures, etc.
- Part 1.4 – Part 1.7. These sections include standard language the CTP is agreeing to, around standards, use of contractors, reporting and performance, and privacy and protection of personally identifiable information (PII). No inputs or edits may be required by the CTP.

Part 2 of this document provides standard language on available fundable scope activities. If the CTP indicates in Part 1 that they are applying for an individual fundable activity, the CTP is agreeing to scope as written in Part 2 under that subsection unless otherwise noted in Part 1. CTPs have the opportunity to customize this language (by note/deliverable additions, subtractions, etc.) after each scope element in the “Custom Scope Elements.” If the text is accepted as-is, there is no need to copy text from Part 2 into Part 1, it is incorporated by reference

1. Part 1 – Custom Statement of Work (SOW) Information

In accordance with the CTP Partnership Agreement referenced in Table 1 between {insert name of community(ies) or county} (herein referred to as “CTP”) and the FEMA, the following explains the scope to be undertaken by {insert name of community(ies) or county} to enhance communication and coordination detailed within this COMS SOW No. {Insert SOW #} as follows:

1.1. Project and Point of Contact Information

Instructions: Complete Table 1 below with the basic project information and point of contact (POC) information for both the CTP and FEMA staff.

Table 1. Project and Point of Contact Information

Information Type	Insert Information
CTP Organization Name:	WV Emergency Management Division
CTP Contractor Working on the activities in this SOW: <i>Optional, only if contractors have already been identified; contractor support may be used for all activities except Staffing and Mentoring, which must be completed by the CTP</i>	WVU GIS Technical Center
CTP Partnership Agreement Date:	7/2022 (?)
Period of Performance:	10/1/2022 to 9/30/2024
CTP Project Manager:	Timothy W. Keaton, CFM
FEMA Regional Project Officer (PO): <i>When necessary, additional FEMA assistance should be requested through the FEMA Regional Project Officer</i>	Robert Pierson, PMP FEMA Region III
FEMA Funding to Complete this COMS SOW:	\$100,000

Information Type	Insert Information
<p>CTP Estimated Leverage:</p> <p><i>Final Leverage dollars or units will be entered as applicable in the Manage Data Development Task Workflow in the Mapping Information Platform (MIP). Leverage data shown here is an estimate of available Leverage at the time the scope is prepared and may be refined throughout the project. See Estimating the Value of Partner Contributions to Flood Mapping Projects “Blue Book” (Blue Book)</i></p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Project Team Coordination Activities:</p> <p><i>Throughout the project, all members of the Project Team will coordinate, as needed, to ensure that activities, products, and deliverables meet FEMA requirements and contain accurate, up-to-date information.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meetings, teleconferences, and video conferences with FEMA Region III, WVEMD, and other Project Team members biannually at a minimum with additional meetings scheduled as necessary. • Telephone conversations with FEMA and other Project Team members on a scheduled monthly basis and ad hoc basis, as required • Email as needed

1.2. Tasks and Deliverables to be Completed Under this SOW

1.2.1. NARRATIVE AND AUDIENCE

Instructions: Complete Table 2 below with a high-level narrative of the work to be accomplished under this COMS SOW, as well as the intended audience of the project.

Table 2. Narrative and Audience

Information Type	Insert Information
<p>SOW Narrative:</p>	<p>{Provide a high-level summary of what will be accomplished in this project. Maps may be added as appendices to this document as needed and referenced here.}</p> <p>This project focuses on three technical assistance activities in support of local and state hazard mitigation planning.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Map riverine flood impacts of vulnerably disadvantaged communities with higher stream flow change forecast models. • Update the WV Building Level Risk assessment (BLRA) from new data sources (e.g., flood studies, building characteristics) to enhance Hazus flood loss models and risk assessment products. • Map landslide incidents from the new FEMA lidar for 38 counties. Correlate

	<p>climate change (precipitation) to higher landslide incidents.</p> <p>These activities advance community hazard mitigation actions through technical assistance that supports the Mitigation Planning Process and Risk MAP projects. See Appendix A for a more detailed statement of work.</p>
Intended Audience:	<p>{Provide a high-level list of the intended audience within the footprint of this project including identification of local, state, tribal and territorial communities within the scope of this project/task}, herein referred to as “community(ies)”</p> <p>Target Audience: Floodplain Managers, Community Planners, Emergency Preparedness Officials, Citizens of affected communities.</p> <p>Project Footprint: State of West Virginia</p>

1.2.2. PROJECT TASKS AND DELIVERABLES

The following eleven tasks can be accomplished under this COMS SOW:

- COMS Engagement Plan (Required)
- Strategic Planning for Community Engagement
- Meetings and Process Facilitation
- Mitigation Support
- Communication and Outreach to Communities
- Training and Community Capability Development
- Mitigation Planning Technical Assistance
- Pilot Projects
- Internal Partner Support Activities:
 - Mentoring
 - Staffing

These tasks and their associated deliverables are in listed in the sections below.

Instructions: Please fill out the appropriate sections for the work you plan to complete. Required information includes 1) budget information, 2) identification of deliverables to be provided, and 3) description of the detailed scope elements for each relevant task.

Funding information is required per task. If any staff will be directly funded under this grant, please list all project budget and leverage information in Table 10. Task 8 – Directly Funded Staffing. In the leverage table for each task, please indicate the following:

- A - FEMA Contribution. This is the funding FEMA is providing to the CTP for the completion of this COMS SOW
- B - Partner Contribution. Indicate the additional resources required that the CTP will provide to complete the assigned activities for this COMS SOW (also known as *Leverage*). Values shall be based on Blue Book values or actual costs where Blue Book values do not exist. The current Blue Book is dated April 2017 and can be downloaded from FEMA's Information Resource Library at https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/documents/fema_risk-map_blue-book_2017.pdf.
- A+B – Total Project Cost. The sum of the above two quantities.

Task 1 – COMS Engagement Plan (Required)

This task is required as a condition of COMS funding – see [Part 2.1](#).

Instructions: Please fill out the required information in Table 3 below. Insert language in the “Custom Scope Elements” field below if this is a joint plan with the Program Management (PM) SOW task.

Table 3. Task 1 – COMS Engagement Plan

COMS Task	Mark ‘X’ if task will be done under this SOW	(A) FEMA Contribution	(B) Partner Contribution	(A+B) Total Project Cost
COMS Engagement Plan (required as a condition of COMS funding) (see Part 2.1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$0	\$0	\$0
Deliverable			Mark “X” if deliverable will be done under this task	
COMS Engagement Plan (required)			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Combined COMS Engagement and Business Plan			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Other: {Insert additional details}			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Custom Scope Elements				
<p>Note, you are agreeing to the scope as written in Part 2.1 COMS Engagement Plan unless otherwise modified/noted in this cell. If you accept the text as-is, there is no need to copy the wording here. Only provide additional details here on what you plan to modify.</p> <p>A comprehensive Business Plan will be a single deliverable for both the Community Outreach and Mitigation Strategies (COMS) Engagement Plan and PM Business Plan. Plan cost covered in PM Statement of Work.</p>				

Task 2 – Strategic Planning for Community Outreach and Engagement

Instructions: Please fill out the required information in Table 4 below.

Table 4. Task 2 – Strategic Planning for Community Outreach and Engagement

COMS Task	Mark 'X' if task will be done under this SOW	(A) FEMA Contribution	(B) Partner Contribution	(A+B) Total Project Cost
Strategic Planning for Community Outreach and Engagement (see Part 2.2)	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Deliverable			Mark "X" if deliverable will be done under this task	
Awareness and Action Strategy			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Watershed and community assessment and mitigation action plan for prioritized communities			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Integrated and strategic plan for advancing relationships with partners and community stakeholders			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Summary of all activities that will increase flood risk awareness and subsequent or related mitigation actions			<input type="checkbox"/>	
New or updated community profiles that reflect insights gained from community research			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Prioritized list of communities, their potential for action readiness within a watershed based on action potential or action readiness, contribution to the action target, and detailed outreach and coordination activities that helped them in this undertaking			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Summary of outcomes/next steps from partnership coordination			<input type="checkbox"/>	
An update to CTP's website and other digital platforms			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Other: {Insert additional details}			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Custom Scope Elements				
Note, you are agreeing to the scope as written in Part 2.2 unless otherwise modified/noted in this cell. If you accept the text as-is, there is no need to copy the wording here. Only provide additional details here on what you plan to modify. {enter custom scope elements}				

Task 3 – Meeting and Process Facilitation

Instructions: Please fill out the required information in Table 5 below.

Table 5. Task 3 – Meeting and Process Facilitation

COMS Task	Mark 'X' if task will be done under this SOW	(A) FEMA Contribution	(B) Partner Contribution	(A+B) Total Project Cost
Meeting and Process Facilitation (see Part 2.3)	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Deliverable			Mark "X" if deliverable will be done under this task	
Key community influencers list (including community-based organizations identified to work with socially vulnerable populations as a trusted advisor) or contact list			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Key Influencer Relationship Management Plan			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Meeting minutes, attendees list, and actions discussed/identified (provided to FEMA region within 2 weeks of the meeting)			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Report on Awareness Post-Meeting Survey results from Discovery, Flood Risk Review, CCO, and Resilience Meetings. (Note: this could include polling data from virtual meetings)			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Other: {Insert additional details}			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Custom Scope Elements				
<p>Note, you are agreeing to the scope as written in Part 2.3 unless otherwise modified/noted in this cell. If you accept the text as-is, there is no need to copy the wording here. Only provide additional details here on what you plan to modify.</p> <p>{enter custom scope elements}</p>				

Task 4 – Mitigation Support

Instructions: Please fill out the required information in Table 6 below.

Table 6. Task 4 – Mitigation Support

COMS Task	Mark 'X' if task will be done under this SOW	(A) FEMA Contribution	(B) Partner Contribution	(A+B) Total Project Cost
Mitigation Support (see Part 2.4)	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Deliverable		Mark "X" if deliverable will be done under this task		
Action Identification and Advancement Strategy (i.e., a summary of the partners' approach to encourage community uptake in mitigation)			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Quarterly projections indicating the potential collection of Actions Identified and Advanced Strategy			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Summary of new Actions Advanced or status updates on existing Actions Advanced through this coordination			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Other: {Insert additional details}			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Custom Scope Elements				
<p>Note, you are agreeing to the scope as written in Part 2.4 unless otherwise modified/noted in this cell. If you accept the text as-is, there is no need to copy the wording here. ENTER any additional deliverables planned to be developed above. And add the specifics regarding the technical support that will be completed in this activity in this section.</p> <p>{enter custom scope elements}</p>				

Task 5 – Communication and Outreach to Communities

Instructions: Please fill out the required information in Table 7 below.

Table 7. Task 5 – Communication and Outreach to Communities

COMS Task	Mark 'X' if task will be done under this SOW	(A) FEMA Contribution	(B) Partner Contribution	(A+B) Total Project Cost
Communication and Outreach to Communities (see Part 2.5)	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Deliverable			Mark "X" if deliverable will be done under this task	
Newly developed messaging and outreach materials that frame flood risk in an accessible way for all communities identified for this task			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Newly developed outreach materials that help community officials to outreach to their constituents to inform them of flood risk and ways to reduce their risk			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Report on outreach activities			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Other: {Insert additional details}			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Custom Scope Elements				
<p>Note, you are agreeing to the scope as written in Part 2.5 unless otherwise modified/noted in this cell. If you accept the text as-is, there is no need to copy the wording here. ENTER any additional deliverables planned to be developed above. And add the specifics to the types or audiences for the outreach that will be completed in this activity in this section.</p> <p>{enter custom scope elements}</p>				

Task 6 – Training and Community Capability Development

Instructions: Please fill out the required information in Table 8 below.

Table 8. Task 6 – Training and Community Capability Development

COMS Task	Mark 'X' if task will be done under this SOW	(A) FEMA Contribution	(B) Partner Contribution	(A+B) Total Project Cost
Training and Community Capability Development (see Part 2.6)	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Deliverable			Mark "X" if deliverable will be done under this task	
Copies of draft training materials for FEMA review			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Copies of final training materials			<input type="checkbox"/>	
A list of training instructors			<input type="checkbox"/>	
A list of all participants and completed course evaluations (such as pre- and post-knowledge surveys) after each training course			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Report on outreach activities			<input type="checkbox"/>	
A description of how training will benefit the public and accomplish the Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning (Risk MAP) goals of awareness and action			<input type="checkbox"/>	
A narrative including how it was determined that the training was needed and how communities that received training were prioritized			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Other: {Insert additional details}			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Custom Scope Elements				
<p>Note, you are agreeing to the scope as written in Part 2.6 unless otherwise modified/noted in this cell. If you accept the text as-is, there is no need to copy the wording here. ENTER additional deliverables planned to be developed above. And add the specifics on the training that will be completed in this activity in this section.</p> <p>{enter custom scope elements}</p>				

Task 7 – Mitigation Planning Technical Assistance

Instructions: Please fill out the required information in Table 9 below.

Table 9. Task 7 – Mitigation Planning Technical Assistance

COMS Task	Mark 'X' if task will be done under this SOW	(A) FEMA Contribution	(B) Partner Contribution	(A+B) Total Project Cost
Mitigation Planning Technical Assistance (see Part 2.7)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$100,000	\$0	\$100,000
Deliverable		Mark "X" if deliverable will be done under this task		
Copies of all technical data provided to local, state, and tribal communities		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
A report detailing the technical assistance provided, including date(s) of technical assistance, type of assistance and communities stakeholders supported		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Other: {Insert additional details}		<input type="checkbox"/>		
Custom Scope Elements				
<p>Note, you are agreeing to the scope as written in Part 2.7 unless otherwise modified/noted in this cell. If you accept the text as-is, there is no need to copy the wording here. ENTER additional deliverables planned to be developed above. And add the specifics on the technical support that will be completed in this activity in this section.</p> <p>{enter custom scope elements}</p> <p>Special Project 1. Cost \$50,000.</p> <p>Map Riverine Flood Impacts of Vulnerably Disadvantaged Communities with Higher Stream Flow Change Forecast Models.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> USACE forecast models predict higher stream flows in the future for central and southern West Virginia. In addition to forecasted higher stream flows, many of the disadvantaged communities in this region have a moderate to high Social Vulnerability Index. Small, incorporated communities in which large tracts of the community are in the Special Flood Hazard Area are especially vulnerable to climate change riverine flood impacts. Many of the vulnerable communities were established in the early-20th century along narrow river valleys and steep mountainsides during the boom of coal mining and timbering extraction industries. Specifically, this project will map the riverine flood impacts of vulnerably disadvantaged communities facing higher stream flow change forecast models. The targeted five disadvantaged communities (Clendenin, Rainelle, White Sulphur Springs, Camden-on-Gauley, and Richwood) incorporate the new 2016 flood studies recently published by FEMA. All five disadvantaged communities had a negative population growth rate between the 2010 and 2020 censuses. Both 2D and 3D maps will show changes in the floodplain forecast models 				

and substantial damage impact on the built environment, including critical facilities, for the following scenarios: (1) Base Flood, (2) 500-YR Flood, and (3) Climate Change Flood Model. For climate change scenarios, both FEMA flood map BFE plus constant (2' and 3' values) and the [First Street Foundation climate model](#) will be incorporated. This activity will also incorporate the largest flood disaster mitigated reconstruction dataset in the State to date since the devastating April 1977 flood of the Tug Fork Basin in which the [USACE Section 202 Mitigation Program](#) was established in 1981. Primary objectives of this project are to communicate the flood risk facing these disadvantaged communities based on current and future climate changing models, and to evaluate how various flood protection measures (e.g., elevated structures from mitigated reconstruction) implemented recently in these communities will adapt to changing environmental factors due to the impacts of climate change. See Table 1 for a more detailed project description including a [3D Flood Visualization Movie](#) example as a visual means to effectively communicate flood risk information.

Special Project 2. Cost \$35,000.

- **Update the WV Building Level Risk Assessment (BLRA) from New Data Sources (e.g., Flood Studies, Building Characteristics)** so more accurate Hazus flood loss models and risk assessment products can be published in support of the State's flood reduction activities, especially those communities which are socially vulnerable in the State.

The 2018 CDC Social Vulnerability Index for West Virginia shows seven counties with high vulnerability and 22 counties with moderate to high vulnerability. These social vulnerability factors may weaken a community's ability to prevent human suffering and financial loss in a disaster. The findings of the First Street Foundation's October 2021 risk assessment report states that West Virginia's built environment of critical facilities tops all other states for being vulnerable to flooding in current and future climate changing conditions. As for the built environment susceptible to riverine flooding, it is important to update the statewide building level risk assessment when new data sources become available ([new flood studies](#), [advisory flood height mapping](#), [mitigated structures](#), [elevation certificates - elevated building diagrams 5-8](#), [LOMAS](#), etc.) so more accurate flood loss models and risk assessment products can be published in support of the State's flood reduction activities, especially those communities which are socially vulnerable in the State. Specifically, the project footprint is most of the counties in the State, whereby new floodplains and depth grids are the result of active [FEMA flood studies](#) (17 counties) and [Updated Zone AE Redelineated Floodplains](#) (38 counties) using the new [FEMA-purchased 1-meter elevation data \(metadata\)](#) that is now available statewide. As part of the current CTP 2020-21 activity, the WV GIS Technical Center is creating new Updated AE's because of the final delivery of the QL2 LiDAR elevation data in fall 2021. In addition, updates to critical facilities and other structures of significance shall be a priority in quantifying the degree of flood risk. Benefits to communities include the continued validation of primary floodplain structures, expansion on base level risk assessment information for further hazard reduction and planning efforts, and the use of risk assessment information for Community Rating System (CRS) insurance discounts.

Special Project 3. Cost \$15,000.

Map Landslide Incidents from the New FEMA LiDAR for 38 Counties. Correlate Climate Change (Precipitation) to Higher Landslide Incidents.

- Landslides are identified in the State Hazard Mitigation Plan as the #2 hazard in West Virginia. Climate change models for West Virginia that forecast heavy precipitation events for mountainous

terrain with steep slopes will also result in a higher incidence of landslides. This activity will map landslides from the new FEMA-purchased LiDAR delivered in September 2021 that covers 38 counties. Landslide incidents and the type of landslide are used to generate the statewide landslide susceptibility map. The new LiDAR covers physiographic provinces in West Virginia that are most susceptible to landslide hazards. Mapped landslide incidents are published to the [WV Flood Tool](#) (RiskMAP View) and [WV Landslide Tool](#). Landslide incidents can also be submitted to the USGS Landslide Inventory. Where possible, climate change data (precipitation) predictive landslide mapping/modeling will be incorporated.

See Appendix A for more details of scoping activities.

Task 8 –Directly Funded Staffing

Instructions: Please fill out the required information in Table 10 below.

If Staffing is the only COMS Task to be performed under this SOW, please complete Table 13 and Table 14 below.

Table 10. Task 8 – Directly Funded Staffing

COMS Task	Mark 'X' if task will be done under this SOW	(A) FEMA Contribution	(B) Partner Contribution	(A+B) Total Project Cost
Directly Funded Staffing (see Part 2.8)	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Deliverable			Mark "X" if deliverable will be done under this task	
{Insert number of staff} will attend regional mapping meetings hosted by FEMA regions			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Maintain {Insert number of staff}; potentially utilize {Insert number of staff} current personnel to support COMS activities			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Report on Outreach Activities			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Other: {Insert additional details}			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Custom Scope Elements				
<p>Note, you are agreeing to the scope as written in Part 2.8 unless otherwise modified/noted in this cell. If you've checked the box(es) above indicating you will undertake this activity, provide scope here.</p> <p><i>(E.g., Insert description of current staffing levels and types of staff supporting Community Engagement and Risk Communication activities. It should be clear what is being funded under the COMS SOW vs. PM SOW vs. the Risk Project Mapping Activity Statement (MAS). Detail request for additional staff to be supported under this agreement and what their roles, responsibilities, and hours allocated to project/budgets will be.)</i></p>				

Task 9 – Mentoring

Instructions: Please fill out the required information in Table 11 below.

Table 11. Task 9 – Mentoring

COMS Task	Mark 'X' if task will be done under this SOW	(A) FEMA Contribution	(B) Partner Contribution	(A+B) Total Project Cost
Mentoring (see Part 2.9)	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Deliverable			Mark "X" if deliverable will be done under this task	
List of existing or potential CTP entities to be mentored			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Schedule and explanation of COMS mentoring activities			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Report detailing COMS mentoring activities provided			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Participant Surveys completed by mentored individuals that provide feedback on the quality and benefits of the mentor(s) and COMS mentoring activities			<input type="checkbox"/>	
{Insert #} COMS Best Practice write-ups to be shared nationally on the FEMA CTP Collaboration Center			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Other: {Insert additional details}			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Custom Scope Elements				
<p>Note, you are agreeing to the scope as written in Part 2.9 unless otherwise modified/noted in this cell. If you've checked the box(es) above indicating you will undertake this activity, provide scope here.</p> <p>{enter custom scope elements}</p>				

Task 10 – Pilot Projects

Instructions: Please fill out the required information in Table 12 below.

Table 12. Task 10 – Pilot Projects

COMS Task	Mark 'X' if task will be done under this SOW	(A) FEMA Contribution	(B) Partner Contribution	(A+B) Total Project Cost
Pilot Projects (see Part 2.10)	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Deliverable			Mark "X" if deliverable will be done under this task	
Report on Pilot Activities			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Other: {Insert additional details}			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Custom Scope Elements				
<p>Note, given that pilot activities are by definition new, there are not details of the scope written in Part 2.10. ENTER deliverables planned to be developed above. And add the specifics that will be completed in this activity in this section.</p> <p>{enter custom scope elements}</p>				

1.2.3. PERCENTAGE OF STAFF TIME SPENT ON COMS TASKS

Instructions: Table 13 and Table 14 are only required if Staffing is the only COMS Task to be performed under this SOW (other than the COMS Engagement Plan, which is required). If the CTP is not performing Staffing or is performing multiple activities which include Staffing, these tables may not be required. Coordinate with your FEMA POC on any additional applicability. **Based on these guidelines, Tables 13 and 14 are not required for COMS SOW.**

Note: Assume each staff member works 100% of their day on this project. This represents percentage of total time on the project, not the hours spent.

Table 13. Percentage of Time Spent on Tasks for Funded Staff

Task	Funded Staff Member 1	Funded Staff Member 2	Funded Staff Member 3	Funded Staff Member 4	Brief Work Description Across All Funded Staff
COMS Engagement Plan	%	%	%	%	
Strategic Plan for Community Outreach	%	%	%	%	
Meetings and Process Facilitation	%	%	%	%	
Mitigation Support	%	%	%	%	
Communication and Outreach to Communities	%	%	%	%	
Training and Community Capability Development	%	%	%	%	
Mitigation Planning Technical Assistance	%	%	%	%	
Mentoring	%	%	%	%	
Pilot Projects	%	%	%	%	

Task	Funded Staff Member 1	Funded Staff Member 2	Funded Staff Member 3	Funded Staff Member 4	Brief Work Description Across All Funded Staff
{Insert additional activities}	%	%	%	%	
Total (not to exceed 100 percent per employee)					

Table 14. Percentage of Time Spent on Tasks for Unfunded Staff

Task	Unfunded Staff Member 1	Unfunded Staff Member 2	Unfunded Staff Member 3	Unfunded Staff Member 4	Brief Work Description Across All Unfunded Staff
COMS Engagement Plan	%	%	%	%	
Strategic Planning for Community Engagement	%	%	%	%	
Meetings and Process Facilitation Engagement	%	%	%	%	
Mitigation Support	%	%	%	%	
Communication & Outreach to Communities	%	%	%	%	
Training and Community Capability Development	%	%	%	%	
Mitigation Planning Technical Assistance	%	%	%	%	
Mentoring	%	%	%	%	
Pilot Projects	%	%	%	%	

Task	Unfunded Staff Member 1	Unfunded Staff Member 2	Unfunded Staff Member 3	Unfunded Staff Member 4	Brief Work Description Across All Unfunded Staff
{Insert additional activities}	%	%	%	%	
Total (not to exceed 100 percent per employee)					

1.3. Schedule and Performance

Instructions: Insert deliverables for all activities included in this COMS SOW in Table 15 below. Examples provided in italics. Deliverables can be listed individually or grouped into a single deliverable date. Due dates will be negotiated with the FEMA Regional PO.

Table 15. COMS Deliverables Schedule

SOW Activities	Deliverable	Deliverable Due Date	Submitted To
COMS Engagement Plan (required)	COMS Engagement Plan	6 months from Award date	FEMA Regional Project Officer
Mitigation Planning Technical Assistance (TA)	Reporting on TA Activities	Quarterly	FEMA Regional Project Officer
[TBD]			
[TBD]			
[TBD]			

The activities documented in this SOW shall be completed in accordance with Table 15. COMS Deliverables Schedule. If changes to this schedule are required, the CTP shall coordinate with FEMA and other necessary Mapping Partners in a timely manner. Deliverables must be uploaded to the MIP unless otherwise approved by the FEMA Regional PO and it is the CTP’s responsibility to make sure that final deliverables are stored to the MIP prior to the end of period of performance.

Table 16. Performance Measures Targets

Note: Insert appropriate measures in Table 16 below based on the document “2022 CTP Performance Measures Matrix” in the Appendix of the Notice of Funding (NOFO) Opportunity

and coordinate with your FEMA Regional PO. This instructional note should be deleted prior to application submission.

Outcome ¹	Output Measurement ² (with customized Target)	Recorded Unit/Scale
<p>Map Riverine Flood Impacts of Vulnerably Disadvantaged Communities with Higher Stream Flow Change Forecast Models.</p>	<p>Create 2D and 3D maps for five disadvantaged communities that will show changes in the floodplain forecast models and substantial damage impact on the built environment, including critical facilities, for the following scenarios: (1) Base Flood, (2) 500-YR Flood, and (3) Climate Change Flood Model (BFE plus constant and First Street Foundation climate models). Incorporate mitigated reconstruction from the 2016 flood.</p>	<p>Complete flood impact studies with higher stream flow change forecast models for five disadvantaged communities: Clendenin, Rainelle, White Sulphur Springs, Camden-on-Gauley, and Richwood.</p> <p>Achieved / Not Achieved</p>
<p>Update the WV Building Level Risk Assessment (BLRA) from New Data Sources</p>	<p>Update Haz flood loss models and risk assessment products associated with inventoried floodplain buildings. New model inputs consist of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Depth Grids: Incorporate 1-meter resolution depth grids from regulatory (Risk MAP) and non-regulatory (Updated AE Redelineation, Advisory Flood Heights) flood studies. Incorporate flood depths for nearly all 55 counties. • Tax Year 2022 Building Characteristics: Updated building replacement values, occupancy class, stories, etc. from 1.4 million tax assessment data parcels. • Mitigated Structures: Incorporated elevated first-floor heights and foundation types (open, closed) from mitigated structure datasets: elevation certificates, building pictures, etc. 	<p>Update BLRA of 98,000 flood-prone structures in State</p> <p>Achieved / Not Achieved</p>
<p>Map Landslide Incidents and Affects of Climate Change</p>	<p>Predict the likely of increased landslide hazards due to climate change:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Map landslide incidents from the new FEMA-purchased LiDAR delivered in September 2021 that covers 38 counties in West Virginia. • Incorporate climate change data (rainfall intensity and long duration) with the statewide landslide susceptibility map to 	<p>Achieved / Not Achieved</p>

	forecast increased landslide incidents in regions of West Virginia.	
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¹An outcome is an observable and measurable change of knowledge, behavior, skills, and/or efficiency due to CTP project.

²An output is a direct, specific, & quantifiable product of CTP activities that lead to /indicate success of the intended outcome, expressed in units of measure that enable quantifiable recording of performance

Outcome ¹	Output Measurement ² (with customized Target)	Recorded Unit/Scale
{Insert Outcome}	{Insert Output Measurement}	{Insert Recorded Unit/Scale}
{Insert Outcome}	{Insert Output Measurement}	{Insert Recorded Unit/Scale}

1.4. Standards

The standards relevant to this SOW are presented in FEMA Policy 204-078-1 Standards for Flood Risk Analysis and Mapping, Revision 12, dated November 2021 located on FEMA’s website at <https://www.fema.gov/flood-maps/guidance-reports/guidelines-standards/standards-flood-risk-analysis-and-mapping-public-review>. This Policy supersedes all previous standards included in the Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners, including all related appendices and Procedure Memorandums. Additional information, along with links to guidance documents, technical references, templates, and other resources that support these standards, may be found on the FEMA Guidelines and Standards website at <https://www.fema.gov/guidelines-and-standards-flood-risk-analysis-and-mapping>. FEMA reviews standards on an annual basis and the most current version of the policy should be used.

Additionally, CTPs and their subawardees must comply with the regulations in Chapter 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), and the appropriate year CTP Funding Opportunity Announcement and Agreement Articles. CTPs shall also coordinate with their regional office to determine additional requirements that should be met. CTPs shall coordinate with the FEMA Regional PO to confirm that technical assistance also complies with regional requirements. Additional information is available in FEMA’s Incorporating Mitigation Planning Technical Assistance guidance document, available on the FEMA Guidelines and Standards website at <https://www.fema.gov/flood-maps/guidance-reports/guidelines-standards/guidance-femas-risk-mapping-assessment-and-planning>.

1.5. Use of Contractors

Check applicable statement in Table 17 below.

Table 17. Use of Contractors

Select One	Description of Contractor Options
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<p>Contractor support may be used for all activities within this SOW, except staffing and mentoring, which must be completed by the CTP. Guidance provided in this part includes, but is not limited to, contract administration and record keeping, notification requirements, review procedures, competition, methods of procurement, and cost and pricing analysis. 2 CFR Part 200 may be viewed online at http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?SID=cc011f4fb962e68cb0da4bc91e8fbb43&mc=true&node=pt2.1.200&rgn=div5</p> <p>Additionally, contractors must not pose a conflict-of-interest issue nor be active in writing the scope of this SOW.</p> <p>Contractors support will be provided by the WV GIS Technical Center, West Virginia University</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>The CTP does not intend to use the services of a contractor for this SOW. No transfer of funds to agencies other than those identified in the approved cooperative agreement application shall be made without prior approval from FEMA. The CTP will identify the name of the CTP contractor for services used as part of this SOW. The CTP shall ensure that the procurement for all contractors used for this COMS Activity complies with the requirements of 2 CFR Part 200.</p> <p>Guidance provided in this part includes, but is not limited to, contract administration and recordkeeping, notification requirements, review procedures, competition, methods of procurement, and cost and pricing analysis. Additionally, contractors must not pose a conflict-of-interest issue.</p>

1.6. Reporting and Performance

Financial Reporting: Because funding has been provided to the CTP by FEMA, financial reporting requirements for the CTP will be in accordance with the terms of the Cooperative Agreement Funding Opportunity Announcement, Articles of Agreement, or Award Notice for this SOW. The CTP shall also refer to [2 CFR Part 200](#). The CTP shall provide financial reports to the FEMA Regional PO and Assistance Officer in accordance with the terms of the signed Cooperative Agreement for this SOW.

Performance Reporting: Recipients are responsible for providing a signed performance report using the required list of information shown in the NOFO (or and old SF-PPR if preferred) on a quarterly basis throughout the period of performance, including partial calendar quarters as well as for periods where no grant award activity occurs. The CTP shall refer to [2 CFR Part 200](#) to obtain minimum requirements for progress reporting. The FEMA Regional PO, as needed, may request additional information on progress.

The CTP may meet with FEMA and/or its contractor(s) as frequently as needed to review the progress of the project in addition to the quarterly financial and status submittals. These meetings may alternate between the FEMA Regional Office, the CTP office, and conference calls, as necessary.

The CTP must report performance of the grant in conjunction with the progress reporting. The performance of the CTP is measured by Table 16. Performance Measures Targets. If you are completing a COMS project in conjunction with a Flood Risk Project MAS, then you may use the measures outlined in that MAS for your SF-PPP performance criteria.

Quantitative Targets for performance measures are defined above by using the 2022 CTP Performance Measures Matrix in conjunction with your FEMA Regional PO.

Earned Value Data Entry:

The CTP is required to report on the earned value of projects that are in the MIP monthly and must give explanations for variances outside of the tolerance defined above in Table 16. Performance Measures Targets. The FEMA Regional Offices must implement a Corrective Action Plan (CAP) when a CTP partner is outside of the tolerance. A CAP must define the reason for the variance and the intended resolution. FEMA Regional Offices shall coordinate with FEMA Headquarters (HQ) when CAPs are developed.

COMS SOW/PM SOW tasks are now tracked in the MIP. Cost and schedule performance measures are defined in this SOW. These measures will be used to monitor partner performance and to determine future funding eligibility. Earned Value data entry involves updating cost, schedule, and performance (physical percent complete) in the MIP by the CTP each month for each assigned task. The CTP may contact the region to obtain additional guidance (as needed) for updating COMS/PM efforts in the MIP.

1.7. Privacy and Protection of Personally Identifiable Information

Your organizational access to the MIP signifies that you have access to Personally Identifiable Information (PII). As such, please ensure your organization has coordinated with the region so that each user is meeting the requirements with the new Risk Analysis Management Access Request (RAMSAR) process.

Please contact your FEMA Regional PO for more information.

2. Part 2 – Available COMS Scope Activities

Note, unless otherwise noted in Tables 3-12 in [Part 1.2.2](#) in the Custom Scope Elements cell(s), CTP is required to fulfill all scope required within the tasks described below.

The activities outlined in this SOW will be completed as specified in the Cooperative Agreement Funding Opportunity Announcement, Award Notice, and/or Articles of Agreement. The SOW may be terminated at the option of FEMA or the CTP in accordance with the provisions of the Partnership Agreement. If the SOW is terminated, all products produced to date must be returned and remaining funds, provided by FEMA for this SOW, from uncompleted activities will be returned to FEMA.

The objective of the COMS activity documented in this SOW is to recognize and enhance activities undertaken by CTPs that create an environment where communities:

- Understand their flood risk and the importance of addressing that risk.
- Are more willing to engage with the Mapping Partner and FEMA to analyze their risks.
- Are better primed to take action to reduce their risk, based on that analysis.

Specifically, tasks funded under this SOW support and enhance COMS activities. All processes and deliverables shall be completed in accordance with FEMA's [Guidelines and Standards for Flood Risk Analysis and Mapping](#), Revision 12, dated December 2021 located on FEMA's website at www.fema.gov/guidelines-and-standards-flood-risk-analysis-and-mapping. These guidelines and standards define the specific implementation of the statutory and regulatory requirements for National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) flood risk projects and address the performance of related Risk MAP activities.

COMS tasks cannot result in the production of a Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM). The activity/activities that could be accomplished under the COMS SOW are as follows:

- COMS Engagement Plan (Required)
- Strategic Planning for Community Engagement
- Meetings and Process Facilitation
- Mitigation Support
- Communication and Outreach to Communities
- Training and Community Capability Development
- Mitigation Planning Technical Assistance

- Pilot Projects
- Internal Partner Support Activities:
 - Mentoring
 - Staffing

2.1. COMS Engagement Plan (Required)

Intent: Document prepared by recipients and used by Regional Offices in support of Risk MAP Multi-year Planning. This plan should identify the overarching approach to community engagement, that will then be implemented on a project-by-project basis. This plan must:

1. Document the capabilities and accomplishments of the partner related to COMS. For example, summarize the partner’s capabilities to do community outreach and provide some examples of successful community outreach efforts. And/or provide an overview of the partners strategic approach to community engagement and critical factors in successfully engaging communities in reducing their risk.
2. Explain the recipient’s vision for implementing or participating in Risk MAP, specifically describing how the partner’s activities advance the vision, goals and objectives of Risk MAP for encouraging communities to take action to mitigate risk.
3. Include examples or updates from previous years’ activities (if applicable).
4. Provide recommendations to FEMA regarding action and outreach potential for future Risk MAP projects within the State, regional or local area.

Recipients that are also completing activities under the PM SOW may combine Business Plan and the COMS Engagement Plan for these two SOWs into a comprehensive Business Plan that includes the required elements for both the PM SOW Business Plan and the COMS SOW Engagement Plan. Recipients must work with their FEMA Regional Office for additional details and requirements of Business/Engagement Plans, including due dates, for the State and/or Local Business Plans.

If CTP has both COMS and PM SOWs, then the COMS Engagement Plan will be combined with the Business Plan requirements of the PM and COMS awards into a single deliverable, with approval from the FEMA Regional PO. If this is the case, make that notation in Tables 3 to 12 in [Part 1.2.2](#).

2.2. Strategic Planning for Community Outreach and Engagement

Intent: The CTP will strategically prepare for engagement with communities and stakeholders, to strengthen and focus project discussions towards taking mitigation action to reduce natural hazard risk. This work can include the development of plans, to create a framework for action throughout a project, and/or can also include outreach activities with the community, to facilitate its forwarding progress in reducing risk.

There are many ways to encourage natural hazard reduction or mitigation:

- Ensure the community understands and accepts its flood risk.
- Invite non-traditional partners and community-based organizations that represent socially vulnerable populations to be part of the conversation
- Educate the community about how mitigation can help their community in a way that is meaningful to them.
- Provide technical assistance to help identify what mitigation makes sense.
- Ensure the right stakeholders (community officials, local influencers, regional and state partners, etc.) are involved in the work, so that the decision-making required for mitigation action can be achieved.
- Understand the community's other key concerns that might impact their interest and capacity and inform how best to engage with them.

Note: Communication and outreach activities described in this task are meant to be supplemental or complementary efforts to those identified in the Flood Risk Project MAS. CTPs and the FEMA region are responsible for confirming no duplication of effort in other awards (grants, cooperative agreements, interagency agreements, and contracts).

Unless otherwise amended in Table 4. Task 2 – Strategic Planning for Community Outreach and Engagement in the “Custom Scope Elements” cell, completion of Strategic Planning for Community Outreach and Engagement task will include:

Awareness and Action Strategy – Develop a regional approach to better understand communities’ needs and priorities by conducting research on demographics and socio-economic factors, community communications practices and preferences, evaluation of local plans and initiatives, identification of local decision-makers and potential advocates, mitigation history and potential roadblocks, existing relationships with state and federal agencies, etc. These collected insights can build stronger partnerships within a community, increase participation in and acceptance of the mapping process, and personalize risk messaging and meeting approaches specifically for communities. This can be useful to identify any barriers or inequities in a community and help develop a more equitable approach to serve the whole community.

Watershed and Community Assessment and Mitigation Action Plan – Assess a watershed and high priority communities to understand their mitigation priorities and their existing relationships with FEMA and other federal agencies to inform future outreach. The assessment may include local planners, floodplain administrators, elected officials, community leaders, local levee/dam/coastal leadership, business owners, residents, participants from other local departments such as public works, and others, based on local needs such as Non-governmental Organizations (NGOs) or local

initiatives. Local Hazard Mitigation Plans, FEMA's National Risk Index, the Center for Disease Control /Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry's Social Vulnerability Index along with other planning processes/documents can inform this work; supplemental interviews would also be informative.

Relationship Management Plan – Identify how to establish and/or build relationships between FEMA, the partner, and local stakeholders. Consider the objectives, roles and responsibilities, and how you will measure success. Lean on local organizations or community champions to understand the nuances of a community and ensure you are capturing all community dynamics.

Community Prioritization – Prioritize the action potential, action readiness, or need of communities within a watershed to inform project scoping and planning. Consider marginalized communities or populations and how you might address any inequities when tailoring or providing services to close the equity gap.

Integration Planning – Help state, federal, and local partners coordinate efforts that move communities towards reducing flood risk. Convene a variety of stakeholders (who might have diverse goals) and provide tools and knowledge to conduct joint mitigation planning in a watershed. Consider a variety of planning tools, including those that address future conditions, and social vulnerability. The CTP will coordinate with their Regional PO to ensure up-to-date products and templates are used and new products are coordinated and fully reviewed prior to dissemination.

2.3. Meetings and Process Facilitation (if needed)

Intent: The CTP will hold meetings and facilitate the decision-making processes. Meeting activities are only allowable if they are not funded under an award for a specific project area outlined in a Flood Risk Project MAS, or the CTP must provide additional scope to clarify the difference between the funding under the COMS SOW and the MAS for the specific flood risk project. The following potential activities included in this task are listed below:

Process Facilitation – Support for implementation of the strategic planning efforts include: identifying and supporting key community priorities and key influencers; support community identification of mitigation opportunities; gap analysis of community requirements for mitigation implementation; ongoing relationship management; monitoring, evaluation, and update.

CTP will create materials in “plain language” to increase understanding for meeting participants.

Where practical, CTPs will strive towards applying accessibility principles in meetings such as ADA accessibility and Section 508 compliance.

All current policies on personally identifiable information regarding the allowed deliverables shall be followed.

The Mapping Partner shall notify FEMA and all applicable parties of all meetings with community officials at least 3 to 6 weeks prior to the meeting (with as much notice as possible). FEMA and/or its contractor(s) may or may not attend the community meetings.

2.4. Mitigation Support

Intent: The CTP will leverage Risk MAP data, analyses, products, and/or processes to support communities to advance mitigation actions. Funds cannot be used to update all or part of a Hazard Mitigation Plan but may be used to integrate hazard mitigation concepts into community plans and regulations.

The CTP shall work in close coordination with state and local Emergency Management Offices throughout the life cycle of a Risk MAP project to collect and quantify actions identified and actions advanced as part of a project specific MAS. Additionally, actions should be collected throughout the period of performance of this grant for any projects even after the close out of a Risk MAP project. This activity is used to provide for the coordinated effort with local emergency management to communicate with communities outside of the life cycle of the Risk MAP project, extending beyond completion of the project for all watersheds that fall within the Period of Performance of this SOW.

Activities include:

Action Identified – Support for communities to identify mitigation opportunities and/or select alternatives through the provision of data and/or analysis. Data is considered new data or aggregation of existing data that is delivered and disseminated in formats readily consumed by the end user. Analysis (i.e., risk assessments; social vulnerability analysis; triple bottom line analysis; or feasibility assessments) will be performed to help identify solutions to identified problems and/or develop requirements for project solutions. There also is an opportunity to help the community understand its geographic location in the larger watershed and how the topography of the watershed should be considered in the selection of mitigation projects, given that one community's effort can have an impact downstream or upstream. Support will also include helping communities understand what capacity they need to undertake a project, how to organize their approach to project planning, how to engage the appropriate stakeholders to gain consensus around project options, and how to pursue funding sources to support the project.

Action Advanced – Support for communities to advance mitigation opportunities including scoping/design; budgeting; obtaining funding; project planning; technical support for zoning, code, and/or ordinance development. Support will include helping communities navigate jurisdictional boundaries, political challenges related to gaining consensus and funding, support in navigating federal and state regulations and program requirements, identifying potential project partners, and educating the public about the benefit of the mitigation and any potential impacts that might occur during implementation.

Evaluation and Valuation – Support provided to the community to evaluate and demonstrate the value of the mitigation investment, including calculating economic, environmental and/or social benefits as well as avoided losses from natural hazard events.

Other – Other activities as negotiated with the FEMA region.

2.5. Communication and Outreach to Communities

Intent: The CTP will develop, promote and deliver resources and products to communities for risk awareness and mitigation action, such as developing messages and products to implement strategic outreach campaigns. Activities include:

Materials Development & Dissemination to Educate Communities – Develop and disseminate messages and materials that increase community understanding and awareness of both flood and other natural hazards and that support project work that is developing an updated assessment of community risk. Materials include: plain language explanations of how flood risk is assessed and displayed in a regulatory product; how flood risk data can be used to inform community planning, why community feedback is critical to a flood risk project, updated website content, etc. Consider needs of the community including translated or tailored materials, as needed.

Materials Development to Help Community Officials in Their Own Outreach – Sample media materials to help promote a public meeting or explain project status, social media content and imagery for community officials to use, sample website copy, etc. Provide guidance on the best strategies to engage a community based on the demographics, socioeconomic factors, and other elements that might improve engagement and understanding.

Other – Other activities as negotiated with the FEMA region.

2.6. Training and Community Capability Development

Intent: Develop and provide training to state and local officials throughout the course of a flood risk project (at the discretion of the Regional Office) that promotes awareness and mitigation action.

The CTP must ensure, and must provide documentation when requested by FEMA, that activities funded through this SOW do not replace activities funded under other federal grant programs, such as Hazard Mitigation Planning or Floodplain Management grant programs.

The recipient must identify if the training will be conducted by in-house staff or through contracted services.

Training can be provided at any time during a Risk MAP project, and it may be beneficial to include a series of training activities over the course of a flood risk project. The CTP will coordinate and/or administer training for communities and/or individual groups. The CTP will:

- Determine target audience.

- Advertise to, and confirm training participants.
- Determine training facility.
- Deliver training.
- Conduct training evaluations.
- Follow-up with participants on unresolved issues.

Activities will include planning, developing, and delivering trainings or direct support in the areas of:

Benefit Cost Analysis (BCA) – Support communities to identify, capture, and document the necessary data to run a BCA as well as understand how to run the FEMA approved BCA model. Funds cannot be used to run a benefit cost analysis.

Building Science – Support communities in the understanding of construction issues and opportunities in the identified natural hazard and risk areas.

Community Capability Development – Support building community capability to sponsor and implement mitigation actions through activities such as: capability assessment; gap analysis; and process, change, and project management.

Community Rating System (CRS) – How to integrate CRS elements into mitigation plans and floodplain ordinances (public information, mapping and regulation, flood damage reduction, warning, and response).

Community Planning – Support communities in the consideration of natural hazards in all relevant areas of community planning, i.e., comprehensive plans, capital improvement plans, stormwater management, etc.

Grant Application Development – Support communities in the development of scopes of work, schedules, and budgets for a successful mitigation activity grant application. Funds may not be used to develop, submit, or execute a grant proposal on behalf of a state, tribe, local jurisdiction.

Mitigation Planning Technical Assistance – Support communities by the creation and dissemination of training and technical assistance for achieving mitigation actions. This task cannot fund an activity that is already funded through another federal grant (including the PM SOW) and should not duplicate assistance available to any community engaged in a Risk MAP Project or a pre- or post-disaster grant funded through the Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) program. Training can be provided at any time during the Risk MAP project. It may be desired to include a series of training activities over the course of a flood risk project.

Risk Assessment – Support communities in the assessment of relative risk for decision support, including HAZUS or other methods. Provide technical assistance on how to use a risk assessment tool.

Risk MAP Data Availability and Tools – Support building community capability to use and understand the regulatory and flood risk components and tools of a Risk MAP project including Flood Risk Products.

Other – Other activities as negotiated with the FEMA region.

2.7. Mitigation Planning Technical Assistance

Intent: Encourage Hazard Mitigation Plan implementation and advance community hazard mitigation actions through technical assistance that supports the Mitigation Planning Process and Risk MAP projects.

Develop and disseminate products and materials to support communities to develop, evaluate, update, and implement their mitigation plans and strategies. Technical Assistance provided through Risk MAP should focus on building a community’s capability to plan for and reduce risk. Technical Assistance will encourage a community to implement or update their Hazard Mitigation Plan and advance community hazard mitigation actions through the Mitigation Planning Process in the form of administration. Technical Assistance can provide data related to the flood study or training on specific planning requirements, and resources for improved planning. The following steps are emphasized:

- Incorporating new flood hazard and risk information.
- Working with the community to update and refine mitigation strategies especially as related to new flood hazard/risk information.
- Training mitigation planning teams.
- Helping communities understand the benefits of incorporating mitigation concepts into existing community plans, programs, and policies.

This task may not be used to fund the creation or update of a Hazard Mitigation Plan. This task cannot fund an activity that is already funded through another federal grant (including the PM SOW) and should not duplicate assistance available to any community engaged in a Risk MAP project or an HMA planning or project grant, including planning-related activities HMA grants.

CTP must ensure that technical assistance activities proposed in the COMS SOW are focused on support related to community engagement, risk communication and identifying and/or advancing mitigation action, and that these activities are not duplicated in the Program Management SOW.

2.8. Staffing

Intent: Provide staff to support Risk MAP COMS activities. Contractor support may not be used for staffing and mentoring for this SOW. Staffing and mentoring must be completed by the CTP. CTP will provide details in Table 10. Task 8 – Directly Funded Staffing and Table 13. Percentage of Time

Spent on Tasks for Funded Staff and Table 14. Percentage of Time Spent on Tasks for Unfunded Staff above.

2.9. Mentoring

Intent: Share CTP program experience and related information with peer participants regarding best practices and process improvements related to COMS activities. CTP will provide details in Table 11. Task 9 – Mentoring.

2.10. COMS Pilot Projects

Intent: As defined by and negotiated with the FEMA Regional Office and approved in coordination with FEMA HQ. CTP will provide details in Table 12. Task 10 – Pilot Projects .

Authorized Representative Signatures

Each party has caused this SOW to be executed by its duly authorized representative.

Timothy Keaton	Date
Project Manager	
WVEMD	

Robert Pierson	Date
Regional Project Officer	
Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region 3	

{Insert name of state authorized representative}	Date
{Insert title of state authorized representative}	

{In states where statutory and/or regulatory requirements require the state's review and/or approval of new flood hazard data, the state will be a signatory to a community's agreement. Otherwise, delete the state representative signature line.}

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Acronyms

BCA	Benefit Cost Analysis
CAP	Corrective Action Plan
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
COMS	Community Outreach and Mitigation Strategies
CPI	Cost Performance Index
CRS	Community Rating System
CTP	Cooperating Technical Partner

FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Agency
FIRM	Flood Insurance Rate Map
HMA	Hazard Mitigation Assistance
HQ	Headquarters
MAS	Mapping Activity Statement
MIP	Mapping Information Platform
NFIP	National Flood Insurance Program
NGO	Non-governmental Organization
NOFO	Notice of Funding Opportunity
PII	Personally Identifiable Information
PM	Program Management
PO	Project Officer
POC	Point of Contact
RAMSAR	Risk Analysis Management Access Request
Risk MAP	Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning
SOW	Statement of Work
SPI	Schedule Performance Index

Appendix A

2022-23 CTP Services and Projects performed by West Virginia University

State: West Virginia

Total Costs: \$100,00 Special Projects

Performance Period: October 1, 2022, to September 30, 2024 (24 months)

Plan by Kurt Donaldson, Manager, WV GIS Technical Center, **West Virginia University**

6/30/2022

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Special Project 1. Cost \$50,000.

Map Riverine Flood Impacts of Vulnerably Disadvantaged Communities with Higher Stream Flow Change Forecast Models.

- [USACE forecast models](#) predict higher stream flows in the future for central and southern West Virginia. In addition to forecasted higher stream flows, many of the disadvantaged communities in this region have a moderate to high Social Vulnerability Index. Small, incorporated communities in which large tracts of the community are in the Special Flood Hazard Area are especially vulnerable to climate change riverine flood impacts. Many of the vulnerable communities were established in the early-20th century along narrow river valleys and steep mountainsides during the boom of coal mining and timbering extraction industries. Specifically, this project will map the riverine flood impacts of vulnerably disadvantaged communities facing higher stream flow change forecast models. The targeted five disadvantaged communities (Clendenin, Rainelle, White Sulphur Springs, Camden-on-Gauley, and Richwood) incorporate the new 2016 flood studies recently published by FEMA. All five disadvantaged communities had a negative population growth rate between the 2010 and 2020 censuses. Both 2D and 3D maps will show changes in the floodplain forecast models and substantial damage impact on the built environment, including critical facilities, for the following scenarios: (1) Base Flood, (2) 500-YR Flood, and (3) Climate Change Flood Model. For climate change scenarios, both FEMA flood map BFE plus constant (2' and 3' values) and the [First Street Foundation climate model](#) will be incorporated. This activity will also incorporate the largest flood disaster mitigated reconstruction dataset in the State to date since the devastating April 1977 flood of the Tug Fork Basin in which the [USACE Section 202 Mitigation Program](#) was established in 1981. Primary objectives of this project are to communicate the flood risk facing these disadvantaged communities based on current and future climate changing models, and to evaluate how various flood protection measures (e.g., elevated structures from mitigated reconstruction) implemented recently in these communities will adapt to changing environmental factors due to the impacts of climate change. See Table 1 for a more detailed project description including a [3D Flood Visualization Movie](#) example as a visual means to effectively communicate flood risk information.

Special Project 2. Cost \$35,000.

- **Update the WV Building Level Risk Assessment (BLRA) from New Data Sources (e.g., Flood Studies, Building Characteristics)** so more accurate Hazus flood loss models and risk assessment products can be published in support of the State's flood reduction activities, especially those communities which are socially vulnerable in the State.

The 2018 CDC Social Vulnerability Index for West Virginia shows seven counties with high vulnerability and 22 counties with moderate to high vulnerability. These social vulnerability factors may weaken a community's ability to prevent human suffering and financial loss in a disaster. The findings of the First Street Foundation's October 2021 risk assessment report states that West Virginia's built environment of critical facilities tops all other states for being vulnerable to flooding in current and future climate changing conditions. As for the built environment susceptible to riverine flooding, it is important to update the statewide building level risk assessment when new data sources become available ([new flood studies](#), [advisory flood height mapping](#), [mitigated structures](#), [elevation certificates - elevated building diagrams 5-8](#), [LOMAS](#), etc.) so more accurate flood loss models and risk assessment products can be published in support of the State's flood reduction activities, especially those communities which are socially vulnerable in the State. Specifically, the project footprint is most of the counties in the State, whereby new floodplains and depth grids are the result of active [FEMA flood studies](#) (17 counties) and [Updated Zone AE Redelineated Floodplains](#) (38 counties) using the new [FEMA-purchased 1-meter elevation data \(metadata\)](#) that is now available statewide. As part of the current CTP 2020-21 activity, the WV GIS Technical Center is creating new Updated AE's because of the final delivery of the QL2 LiDAR elevation data in fall 2021. In addition, updates to critical facilities and other structures of significance shall be a priority in quantifying the degree of flood risk. Benefits to communities include the continued validation of primary floodplain structures, expansion on base level risk assessment information for further hazard reduction and planning efforts, and the use of risk assessment information for Community Rating System (CRS) insurance discounts. See Table 1 for more detailed information about this project.

Special Project 3. Cost \$15,000.

Map Landslide Incidents from the New FEMA LiDAR for 38 Counties. Correlate Climate Change (Precipitation) to Higher Landslide Incidents.

- Landslides are identified in the State Hazard Mitigation Plan as the #2 hazard in West Virginia. Climate change models for West Virginia that forecast heavy precipitation events for mountainous terrain with steep slopes will also result in a higher incidence of landslides. This activity will map landslides from the new FEMA-purchased LiDAR delivered in September 2021 that covers 38 counties. Landslide incidents and the type of landslide are used to generate the statewide landslide susceptibility map. The new LiDAR covers physiographic provinces in West Virginia that are most susceptible to landslide hazards. Mapped landslide incidents are published to the [WV Flood Tool](#) (RiskMAP View) and [WV Landslide Tool](#). Landslide incidents can also be submitted to the USGS Landslide Inventory. Where possible, climate change data (precipitation) predictive landslide mapping/modeling will be incorporated. See Table 1 for more detailed information.

Refer to **Table 1** below for more detailed project descriptions and additional resource links. All information from these projects will be published to the WV Flood Tool and will be accessible for hazard mitigation planning and risk reduction activities.

EQUITY AND/OR CLIMATE CHANGE STATEMENT FOR WEST VIRGINIA

- [USACE Ohio River Basin Climate Change Models](#) (Figure 1) forecast *substantial* stream flow increases for West Virginia. According to the report, watershed sub-basins located northeast, east, and south of the Ohio River are expected to experience greater precipitation and thus higher stream flows – up to 50% greater – during the period 2011-2099. See pages 15 and 16 of the report showing forecasted percent changes in Annual Mean Streamflow for three time periods: 2011-2040, 2041-2070, and 2071-2099. The potential impacts to infrastructure in these sub-basins where climate change models forecast higher stream flows is dramatic and potentially devastating.
- Over the past several years, the number of distressed counties in West Virginia has been steadily increasing. For FY 2022, West Virginia will have 17 distressed counties (most economically depressed counties) and 11 at-risk counties (counties at-risk of becoming economically distressed). With a few exceptions, the 17 distress counties are in the southern and central areas of the State. These 17 counties have an average poverty rate of 22.7%, well above the state average of 17.4% and the national average of 13.4%. [ARC Report](#) | [Online Map](#)
- The 2018 CDC Social Vulnerability Index for West Virginia shows 7 counties with high vulnerability and 22 counties with moderate to high vulnerability. These social vulnerability factors may weaken a community's ability to prevent human suffering and financial loss in a disaster. [CDC Online Map](#).
- West Virginia has numerous small communities in which large tracts of the jurisdiction are in the Special Flood Hazard Area and thus especially vulnerable to climate change riverine flood impacts. Many of the vulnerable communities were established in the early-20th century along narrow river valleys and steep mountainsides during the boom of coal mining and timbering extraction industries.
- West Virginia ranked 1st highest in the nation for the prevalence of poor physical health, poor mental health, and activity limitations due to poor physical or mental health. Source: [WV DHHR](#).
- In West Virginia, according to nonprofit First Street Foundation's October 2021 report titled "[The 3rd National Risk Assessment: Infrastructure on the Brink](#)," 46 percent of the roads in the state and 51 percent of the state's critical facilities — [the highest state-level figures in the Nation](#) — would be closed by flooding. Using modeling that incorporates climate change, First Street's risk assessment report quantifies the huge current and future number of critical facilities and road segments that would be shut down by an average flood.

Figure 1. Extract from [Ohio River Basin Climate Change](#) study in which West Virginia will experience greater precipitation and thus higher stream flows.

Generally, modeling results indicate a gradual increase in annual mean temperatures between 2011 and 2040 amounting to one-half degree per decade, with greater increases between 2041 and 2099 of one full degree per decade. Hydrologic flow changes show substantial variability across the ORB through the three time periods, with Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC)-4 sub-basins located northeast, east, and south of the Ohio River expected to experience greater precipitation and thus higher stream flows—up to 50% greater—during most of the three 30-year periods. Conversely, those HUC-4s located north and west of the Ohio River are expected to experience ever-decreasing precipitation (especially during the autumn season) resulting in decreased in-stream flows—up to 50% less—during the same periods.

The potential impacts to infrastructure, energy production, and both aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems over the three 30-year time periods range from minimal in some HUC-4 sub-basins to

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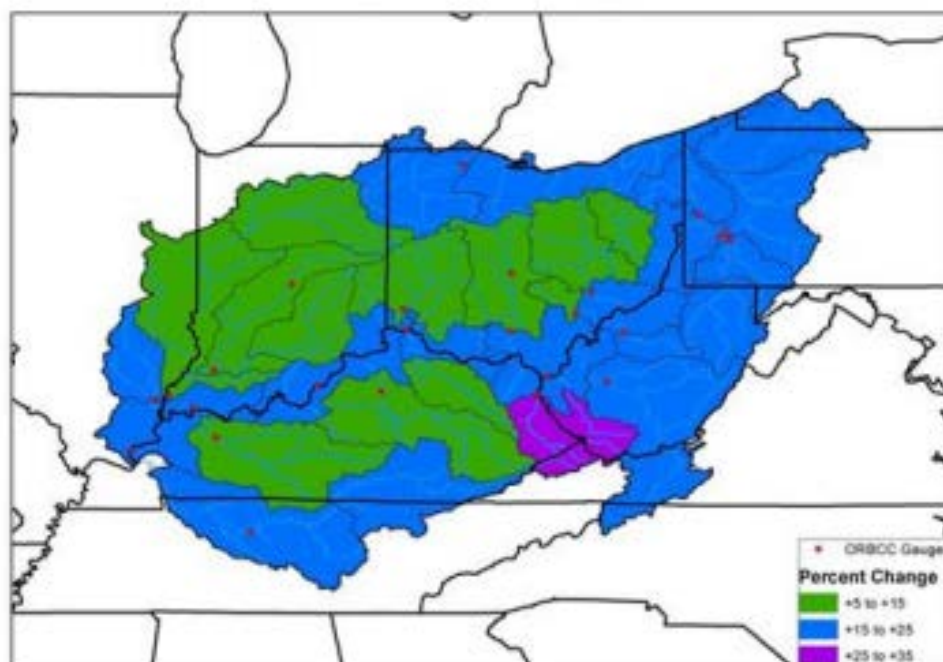


Figure 7-4: Forecasted Annual Mean Percent Change in Streamflow (2071–2099)

Table 1. 2022-23 CTP Work Tasks

#	Task Description	2022-23
Special Project 1	<p data-bbox="253 279 1360 352">Map Riverine Flood Impacts of Vulnerably Disadvantaged Communities with Higher Stream Flow Change Forecast Models.</p> <p data-bbox="253 390 1377 1167">USACE forecast models predict higher stream flows in the future for central and southern West Virginia. In addition to forecasted higher stream flows, many of the disadvantaged communities in this region have a moderate to high Social Vulnerability Index. Small, incorporated communities in which large tracts of the community are in the Special Flood Hazard Area are especially vulnerable to climate change riverine flood impacts. Many of the vulnerable communities were established in the early-20th century along narrow river valleys and steep mountainsides during the boom of coal mining and timbering extraction industries. Specifically, this project will map the riverine flood impacts of vulnerably disadvantaged communities facing higher stream flow change forecast models. The targeted five disadvantaged communities (Clendenin, Rainelle, White Sulphur Springs, Camden-on-Gauley, and Richwood) incorporate the new 2016 flood studies recently published by FEMA. Both 2D and 3D maps will show changes in the floodplain forecast models and substantial damage impact on the built environment, including critical facilities, for the following scenarios: (1) Base Flood, (2) 500-YR Flood, and (3) Climate Change Flood Model. This activity will also incorporate the largest flood disaster mitigated reconstruction dataset in the State to date since the devastating April 1977 flood of the Tug Fork Basin in which the USACE Section 202 Mitigation Program was established in 1981. Primary objectives of this project are to communicate the flood risk facing these disadvantaged communities based on current and future climate changing models, and to evaluate how various flood protection measures (e.g., elevated structures from mitigated reconstruction) implemented recently in these communities will adapt to changing environmental factors due to the impacts of climate change.</p> <p data-bbox="253 1209 558 1241"><u>Climate Change Mapping:</u></p> <ul data-bbox="302 1276 1377 1957" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="302 1276 1377 1759">• Forecast mapping models will be performed for five incorporated communities where new preliminary flood studies (PMRs - Physical Map Revisions) resulting from the June 2016 devastating flood have been completed by FEMA with the most current hydrology, high water marks, etc. The five communities of interest located in four counties are: <ul data-bbox="396 1482 1377 1759" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="396 1482 1377 1549">○ Camden-on-Gauley (Webster County). <i>Chosen for high BFE increase and high substantial damage model flood estimates.</i> <li data-bbox="396 1562 1377 1629">○ Rainelle and White Sulphur Springs (Greenbrier County). <i>High number of mitigation reconstruction projects.</i> <li data-bbox="396 1642 1377 1673">○ Richwood (Nicholas County). <i>High number of structures in the floodway.</i> <li data-bbox="396 1686 1377 1759">○ Clendenin (Kanawha County). <i>High number of mitigated reconstruction projects.</i> <li data-bbox="302 1810 1377 1957">• Incorporate Water Surface Elevation data at the following flood frequency and climate change scenarios: <ul data-bbox="396 1894 1052 1957" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="396 1894 1052 1925">○ Base Flood: 1% Annual Chance (100-yr) WSEL <li data-bbox="396 1938 1052 1957">○ 500-YR Flood: 0.2% Annual Chance (500-yr) WSEL 	50,000

- Climate Change: 500-YR + 2 feet, or BFE + 3 feet (input from FEMA Region III). Water Surface Elevation (WSEL) and Depth Grids will be computed by redelineating the cross-sections.

- **Product Outputs**

- Water Surface Elevation (WSEL) and Depth Grids for three flood scenarios: Base Flood, 500-YR Flood, and Climate Change Flood Model
- Building flood loss damage loss estimates for all three scenarios
- Maps will show changes in floodplain forecast models and impact on the built environment. Show degree of increased flood depths for built environment including critical facilities affected by climate change riverine models.
 - 2D/3D maps of different flood inundation scenarios
 - Build Environment statistics and visualization
- Determine if recent mitigated reconstruction for towns like Rainelle and Clendenin will be affected by the climate change models. Generate 3D flood visualizations to communicate risk by showing:
 - Substantial damage by Base Flood, 500-YR Flood, and Climate Change Flood Model
 - 2016 Flood High Water Marks
 - Elevated Mitigated Structures
 - Critical Facilities
- Compute Hazus substantial flood loss (damage dollar and percent) estimates to quantify degree of flooding using FEMA’s Flood Assessment Structure Tool. Compare substantial damage estimates for Base Flood, 500-Year Flood, BFE+3 Climate Change Flood
- Published Report of findings

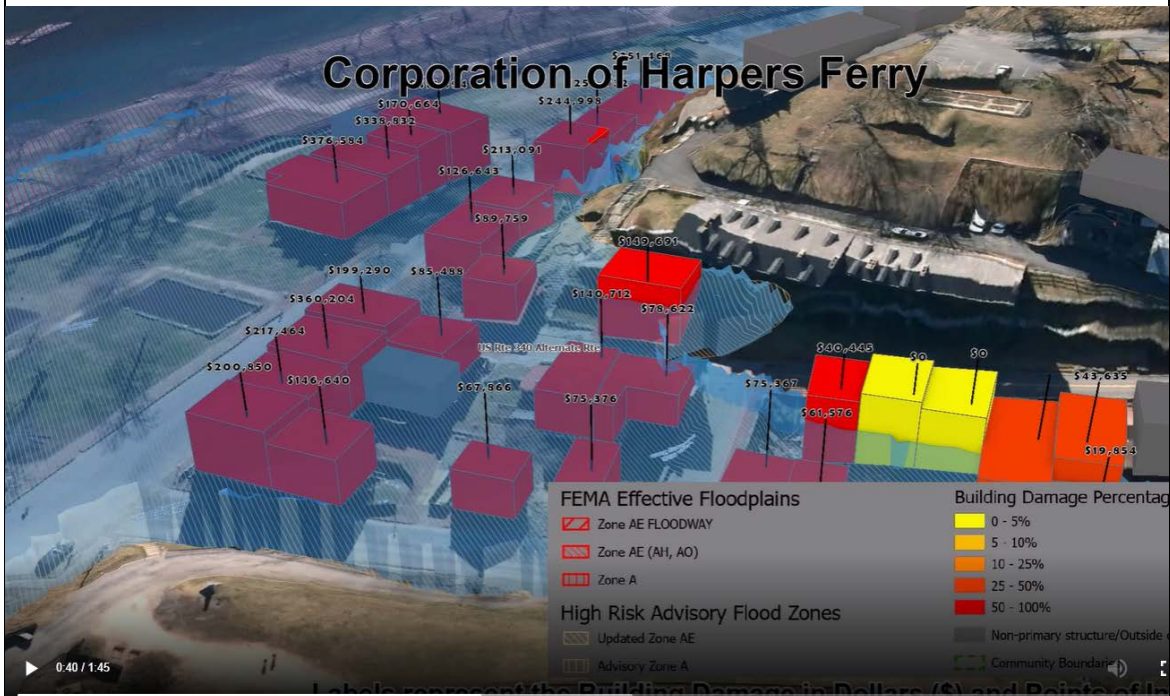
- **3D Flood Risk Visualization Movies. Flood Risk Communications and Recommended Adaptive Measures.**

- Develop 3D Flood Visualization with voice narration to explain risk assessment of flood model estimates. Discuss mitigated structures and recommend flood adaptive measures (e.g., build to higher flood protection standards, open space preservation) for climate change models showing areas of significant vulnerability.
- Movie would show **substantial damage estimates** for different flood scenarios: Base Flood, 500-Year Flood, BFE+3 Climate Change Flood.
- Communicate the climate forecast models to communities for hazard mitigation and community resiliency planning
- Communities targeted: Camden-on-Gauley, Clendenin, Rainelle, Richwood, and White Sulphur Springs
- Mitigated Structures: Show pictures of mitigated structure in movie. If possible, include 3D view drone footage of communities with mitigated reconstruction.

- Reference information could include June 2016 Flood high-water marks, critical facilities, mitigated structures, etc.
- Include legend and title for viewers
- See flood visualization movie of Harpers Ferry for basic concept

<< Harpers Ferry Flood Risk 3D Visualization Movie >>

https://data.wvgis.wvu.edu/pub/RA/resources/3Dflood/HarpersFerry_Jefferson_3D_Flood_2020_mp4.mp4



Social quantitative index or value for the selected disadvantaged communities

- The communities are located in counties which have a moderately high [Social Vulnerability Index](#).
- All five disadvantaged communities had a negative population growth rate between the 2010 and 2020 censuses. FEMA's report [Community Resilience Indicator Analysis: County-Level Analysis of Commonly Used Indicators from Peer-Reviewed Research](#) uses population change as a risk factor. A reduction in population reduces local tax income and community resources to respond to a disaster.

Municipality	Community Type	Population Growth Rate
Rainelle town	Incorporated	-20.9%
White Sulphur Springs city	Incorporated	-9.1%
Clendenin town	Incorporated	-30.4%
Richwood city	Incorporated	-19.1%
Camden-on-Gauley town	Incorporated	-25.4%

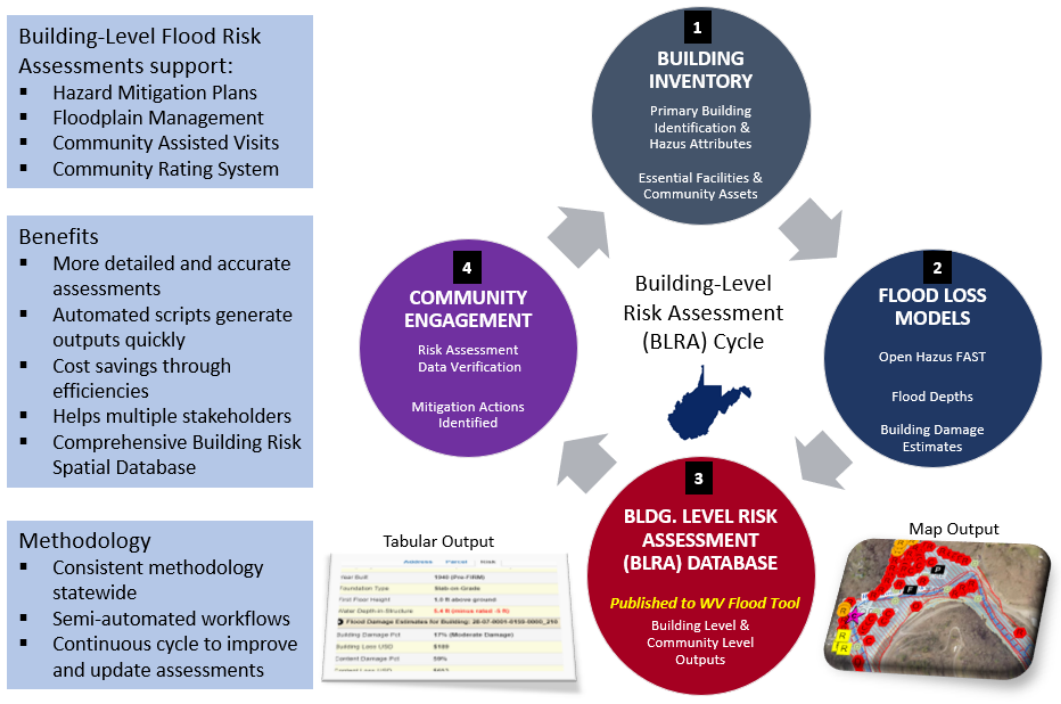
- WVU Geography [Professor Jamie Shinn](#) has long-term and ongoing research in Greenbrier County on the impacts of the flood (Shinn and Caretta 2020; Caretta et al. 2021), including on the intersections of flood recovery and the COVID-19 pandemic (Shinn, under review). Her current research focuses on three towns in Greenbrier County heavily impacted by the 2016 floods, which span the length of the county – Rainelle, Ronceverte, and White Sulphur Springs – and the resulting socio-economic hardships these communities face today. Like the communities of Greenbrier County, the other disadvantaged communities of Clendenin (Kanawha County), Richwood (Nicholas County), and Camden-on-Gauley (Webster County) face similar socio-economic challenges.

For the climate change map scenario, will there be physical climate model run or just adding constant (2' and 3') values?

- Both. We will evaluate both FEMA flood map BFE plus constant (2' and 3' values) and the [First Street Foundation climate model](#). The First Street Foundation Flood model is a nationwide probabilistic flood model at 3-meter resolution that shows the risk of flooding at any location in the contiguous 48 states due to rainfall (pluvial), riverine flooding (fluvial), and coastal surge flooding. The First Street Foundation Flood Model takes changing environmental factors into account by applying global climate model projections to forecast how flood risk will change over the next 30 years. Specifically, the climate model outputs flood depth in centimeters at the low, medium, and high CMIP 4.5 climate scenarios for the 2, 5, 20, 100, and 500 year storms this year, in 15 years and in 30 years.

<p>Special Project 2</p>	<p>[UPDATE THE WV BUILDING LEVEL RISK ASSESSMENT (BLRA) FROM NEW FLOOD STUDIES AND STAKEHOLDER INPUTS]</p> <p>The 2018 CDC Social Vulnerability Index for West Virginia shows seven counties with high vulnerability and 22 counties with moderate to high vulnerability. These social vulnerability factors may weaken a community’s ability to prevent human suffering and financial loss in a disaster. The findings of the First Street Foundation’s October 2021 risk assessment report states that West Virginia's built environment of critical facilities tops all other states for being vulnerable to flooding in current and future climate changing conditions. As for the built environment susceptible to riverine flooding, it is important to update the statewide building level risk assessment when new data sources become available (new flood studies, advisory flood height mapping, mitigated structures, elevation certificates - elevated building diagrams 5-8, LOMAS, etc.) so more accurate flood loss models and risk assessment products can be published in support of the State’s flood reduction activities, especially those communities which are socially vulnerable in the Sate. Updates to critical facilities and other structures of significance shall be a priority in quantifying the degree of flood risk. Benefits to communities include the continued validation of primary floodplain structures, expansion on base level risk assessment information for further hazard reduction and planning efforts, and the use of risk assessment information for Community Rating System (CRS) insurance discounts.</p> <div data-bbox="256 930 1372 1228" style="background-color: #2e5496; color: #ffff00; padding: 10px;"> <h2 style="text-align: center; margin: 0;">Benefits to Communities</h2> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Validation of primary structures in floodplain • Expand on base level information for further hazard reduction and planning efforts • Use risk assessment information for Community Rating System insurance discounts </div> <p><i>Methodology:</i> The statewide building-level risk assessment will be updated with building characteristics (building value, occupancy class, area, stories, etc.) from a new data pull of the statewide tax assessment database that occurs once per year. The Center will use change detection along with remote sensing (aerial imagery, building footprints) and tax assessment records (compare with previous year) methods to identify new or removed structures from the floodplain. With new input data, revise the flood loss estimates using FEMA’s Flood Assessment Structure Tool (FAST). The Center will update and publish various risk assessment products for community engagement. Refer to the BLRA Cycle documents for more information.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BLRA Cycle Diagram of WV Building-Level Flood Risk Assessment procedures 	<p>\$35,000</p>
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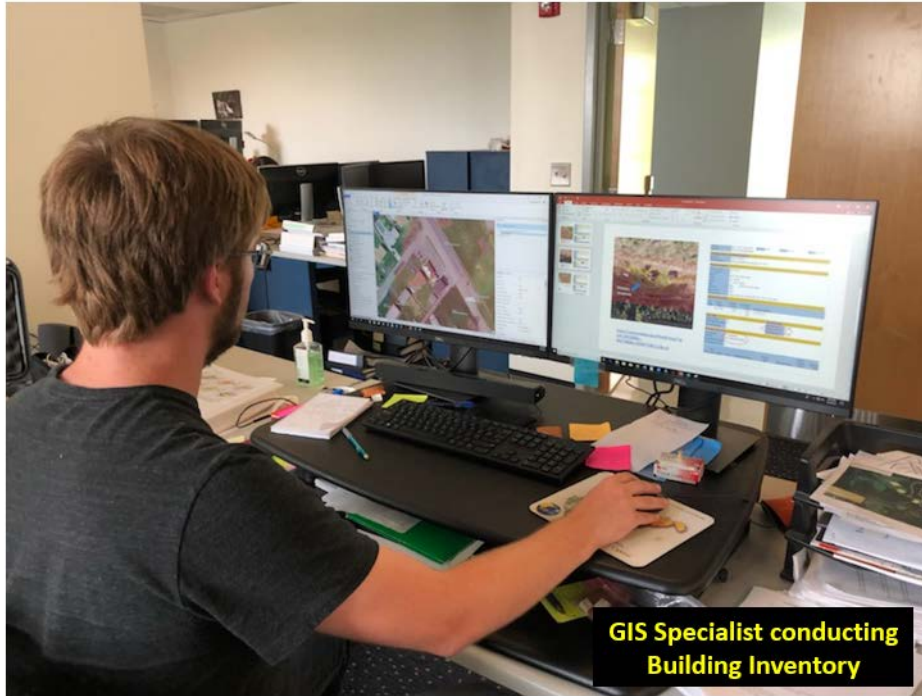
WV Building-Level Flood Risk Assessment



The processing/validation procedures of the WV Building Level Risk Assessment (BLRA) are more accurate and comprehensive than a typical Hazus Level 2 analysis (it is a step up and should be called a Hazus Level 3). The enhanced processing and verification steps include:

- Visual aerial photography checks of every primary structure using the highest temporal and spatial resolution imagery.
- Building attribute checks by detailed tax assessment records. Customized online tax assessment web reports provide a per structure breakdown including multiple buildings (one-to-many relationship) in a single parcel. Building sketch diagrams are available for residential properties to distinguish characteristics of multiple building in a single parcel.
- Building land use codes from the tax assessment database are converted to Hazus specific/generalized [occupancy classes](#) including manufactured homes (RES2 occupancy class).
- The Building Year combined with the Initial FIRM Date determines the Pre/Post-FIRM status of each structure. (If the SFHA was not present when the structure was constructed, then a “Post-FIRM regulated to Pre-FIRM status” is tracked in the BLRA database).
- User-modified values for all Hazus input variables (Value, Occupancy Class, FFH, Area, Stories) can be entered to override building attributes compiled from tax assessment records.
- Each structure is assigned a unique [Building Identifier](#) (Parcel ID + Address) to relate structures to other risk assessment and mitigation databases. In the WV Flood Tool, the user can zoom to the structure by entering the building identifier in the Search function.

Building Inventory



WV Building Level Risk Assessment (BLRA) Data Sources:

- [Statewide BLRA Geodatabase](#) (98,467 building points)
- [BLRA County Files](#) organized by WV Planning & Development Regions
- [BLRA Data Extract Tables](#): High Building Value, High Damage Loss, High Minus Ratings
- [BLRA Statewide Top Lists](#): Building Value, Flood Depth, Damage Loss \$, Damage Loss %, Minus Rated, Mitigated Structures

Refer to the [Index Guide](#) spreadsheet named "RA_Info_Index.xlsx" to access various risk assessment products (products, reports, tables, graphics) published in support of FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Plans and NFIP/CRS activities.

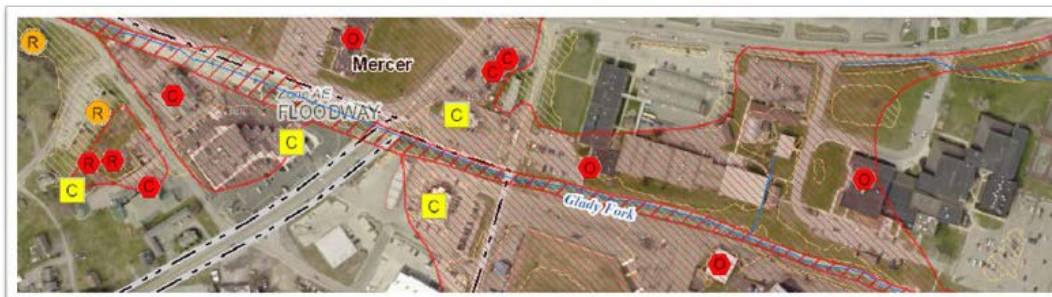
Example building level risk assessment table with map links to WV Flood Tool

Floodplain Exposure (Region 1)

Building Level (Excel Table)

Building_ID	Full_E-911_Address	Stream_Nam	FIRM_St	Year	St	Ity_Class_D	Tax_L	Id_Us	Land_Use_Descriptio	Occu
28-05-023A-0026-0002_203	203 KELLY ST, PRINCETON, WV, 24740	Glady Fork	Pre-FIRM	1979	B-	R Residential	2	101	Residential 1 Family	RES1
28-05-023A-0038-0000_209	209 KIM ST, PRINCETON, WV, 24740	Glady Fork	Pre-FIRM	1974	C-	R Residential	2	101	Residential 1 Family	RES1
28-05-023A-0039-0000_207	207 KIM ST, PRINCETON, WV, 24740	Glady Fork	Pre-FIRM	1974	C	R Residential	2	101	Residential 1 Family	RES1
28-05-023A-0040-0000_205	205 KIM ST, PRINCETON, WV, 24740	Glady Fork	Pre-FIRM	1974	C-	R Residential	2	101	Residential 1 Family	RES1
28-10-0011-0165-0000_300	300 PRINCETON AVE, PRINCETON, WV	Brush Creek	Pre-FIRM	1973	C	X Exempt	4	610	Recreational/Health	COM8
28-10-0011-0171-0001_202	202 PRINCETON AVE, PRINCETON, WV	Brush Creek	Post-FIRM	1988	C	C Commercial	4	397	Office/Warehouse	COM2
28-10-0011-0172-0000_201	201 PRINCETON AVE, PRINCETON, WV	Brush Creek	Pre-FIRM	1958	D+	C Commercial	4	373	Retail-Single Occupancy	COM1
28-10-0011-0234-0000_208	208 HINES AVE, PRINCETON, WV, 2474	Brush Creek	Pre-FIRM	1963	C-	C Commercial	4	398	Warehouse	COM2
28-10-0011-0263-0000_9999	9999 Industrial St, Princeton, WV, 24	Brush Creek	Post-FIRM	2008	C-	C Commercial	4	398	Warehouse	COM2

Building Level (WV Flood Tool Map)



Residential

Commercial (Non-Residential)

Other (Non-Residential)

Statewide Flood Risk Assessment

Flood Model	Description
Software	Hazus (FEMA's GIS-based natural hazard software)
Utilities	FEMA's Open Hazus Flood Loss Utility , customized scripts, property search tools
Flood Event	Riverine Hazus Level-2 Analysis for 1% annual chance (100-YR) flood
Scope	268 NFIP participating communities (213 incorporated and 55 unincorporated)
Depth Grids	Model-backed, 1% annual chance depth grids supplemented with Hazus depth grid
Building Stock	Enhanced building stock (User Defined Facilities) for estimated 100,000 structures
Assessment Records	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1.35 million property tax parcels (Tax Year 2020) 186 Assessment Land Use Codes classified to 33 Hazus Specific Occupancy Classes and further generalized to Residential / Non-Residential categories 8 Assessment Basement categories classified to 7 Hazus Foundation Types and First Floor Height values User-Defined Modified Values override Assessment Default Values (occupancy, foundation, first floor height, building year, building value, area) for (1) blank attribute values, (2) one-to-many, parcel-structure relationships, and (3) identifier issues (parcel geometry misalignments or assessment records in different parcel)
Reference Layers	Key reference layers for building inventory: E-911 addresses , leaf-off aerial imagery
Building ID	Unique Building Identifier (GIS parcel ID + Address No.) assigned to each structure
Outputs	WV Flood Tool Risk MAP View , GIS Layers , Community/Building-Level Tables

What is the project footprint and correlation with new Flood Studies availability?

- The project footprint is most of the counties in the State. New floodplains and depth grids are the result of active [FEMA flood studies](#) (17 counties) and [Updated Zone AE Redelineated Floodplains](#) (38 counties) using the new [FEMA-purchased 1-meter elevation data \(metadata\)](#) that is now available statewide. As part of the current CTP 2020-21 activity, the WV GIS Technical Center is creating new Updated AE's because of the final delivery of the QL2 LiDAR elevation data in fall 2021.
- Floodplain and depth grids from **FEMA restudies** take priority over **Updated AE Redelineation mapping** for enhancing the Building Level Risk Assessment (BLRA). Redelineated Updated AE floodplains and depth grids are being generated using the new LiDAR 1-meter that was delivered in fall 2020 and covers 38 counties. A major goal is for all flood risk products to be created from the newest topographic 1-meter grids.

Are the seven counties with high SVI covered in this BLRA?

Yes, this special project covers all counties in the State including the [seven counties](#) (Gilmer, Fayette, Mingo, McDowell, Mercer, Raleigh, and Summers counties) with high SVI. New Draft NFHL depth grids just became available for Summers County. McDowell, Mercer, and Mingo counties are active [flood studies](#) and draft depth grids should be available in the near future. As these products become available, the WV GIS Technical Center will coordinate with FEMA's mapping contractors (AECOM, Wood Group) to obtain new floodplain and depth grids.

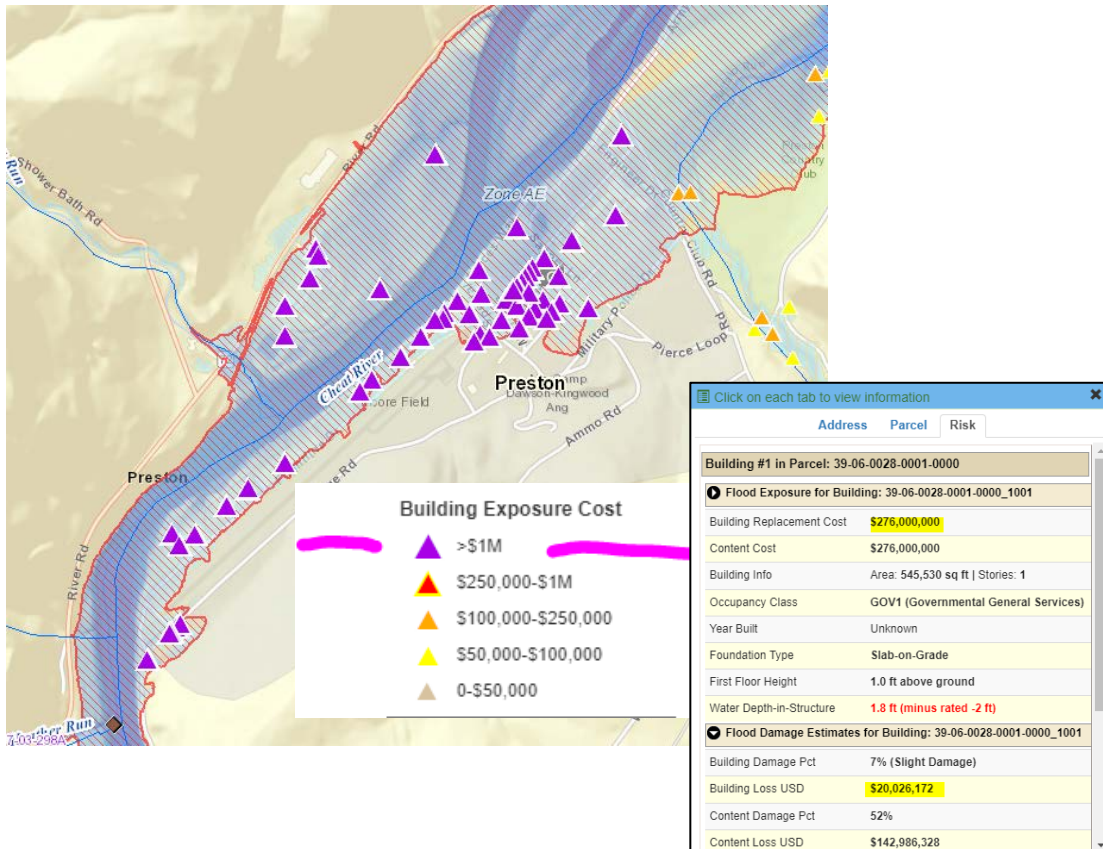
Project 2: CAMP DAWSON EXAMPLE OF UPDATED BUILDING LEVEL RISK ASSESSMENT (BLRA) – NEW REDELINDATED AE FLOODPLAINS AND DEPTH GRIDS

Camp Dawson, Preston County, a military complex on the Cheat River, has one of the highest cumulative [building dollar exposures](#) (\$276M) and [building damage loss estimates](#) (\$20M) in the State. A hydrograph on March 1, 2021, predicted major riverine flooding at 22.2 ft. (8 feet above flood stage of 16 feet); however, fortunately the flooding forecast for major flooding did

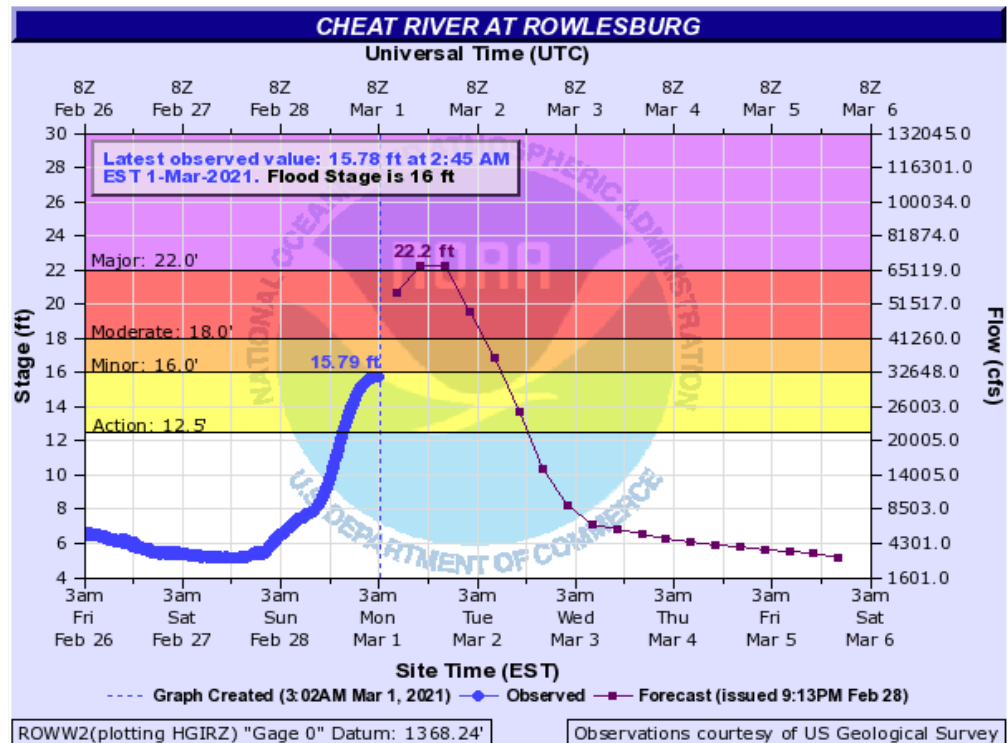
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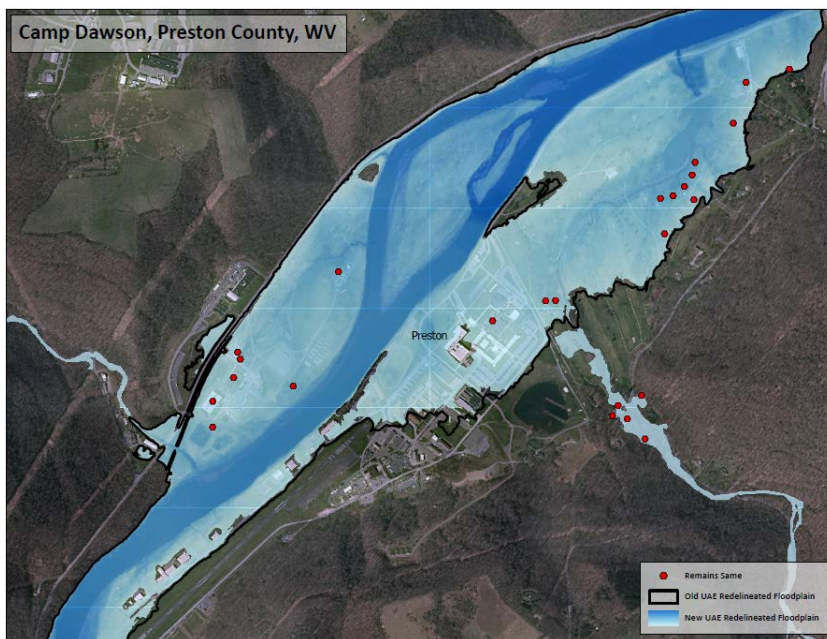
High value building exposure of Camp Dawson structures in AE Zone ([WV Flood Tool Risk Map View](#))



Major Riverine Flooding Forecasted for Camp Dawson on 1 March 2021.



Using the new FEMA LiDAR elevation data, an **Updated AE Floodplain Boundary and Depth Grid** were created for this location. Although the 1%-annual-chance floodplain boundary does not change much for this location, the depth grid values changed almost a foot in certain locations. To quantify the degree of flood risk, the new depth grid will be used to update the building level damage loss estimates for Camp Dawson to quantify the degree of risk.

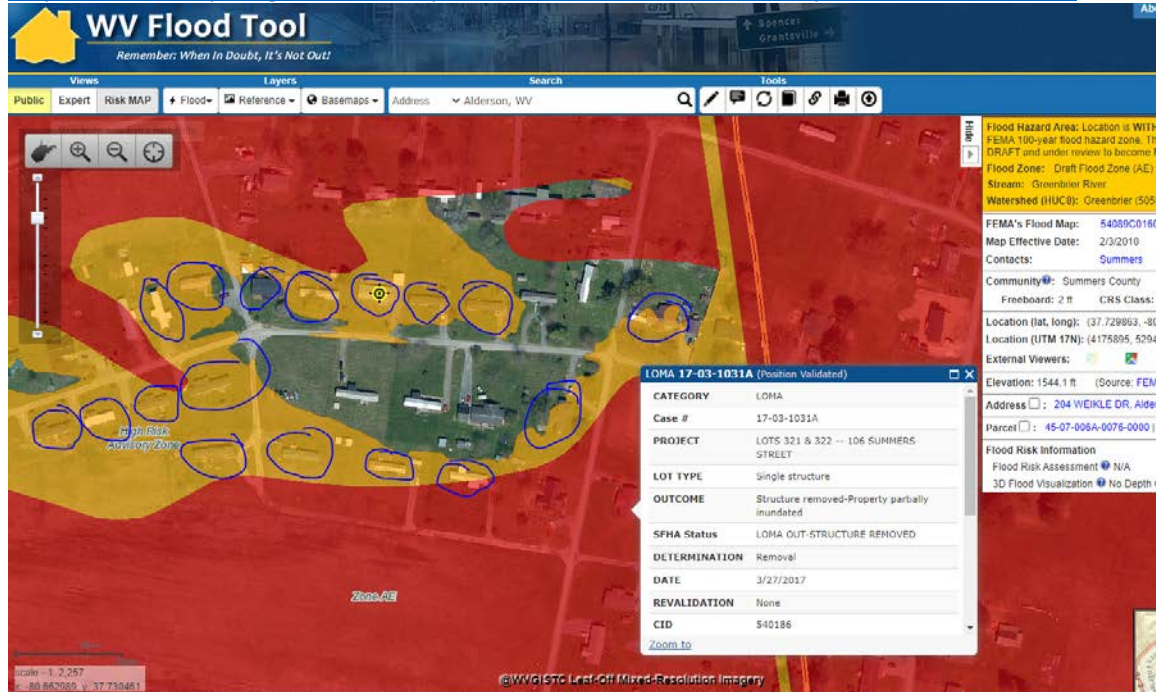


Project 2: EXAMPLE FEMA RESTUDY (DRAFT NFHL) FOR SUMMERS COUNTY.

The recently released Draft BFE increased 1 foot along Greenbrier River at the town of Glenray near the Summers-Greenbrier county border. The buildings (blue circles) in the Draft floodplain need to be added to the Building Level Risk Assessment and the flood loss estimates for a 1%-annual chance flood event updated with the new Draft depth grid. [LOMA 17-03-1031A](#) will need to be revalidated and most likely will not be valid anymore because of the increased BFE.

Draft NFHL, Summer County, Greenbrier River

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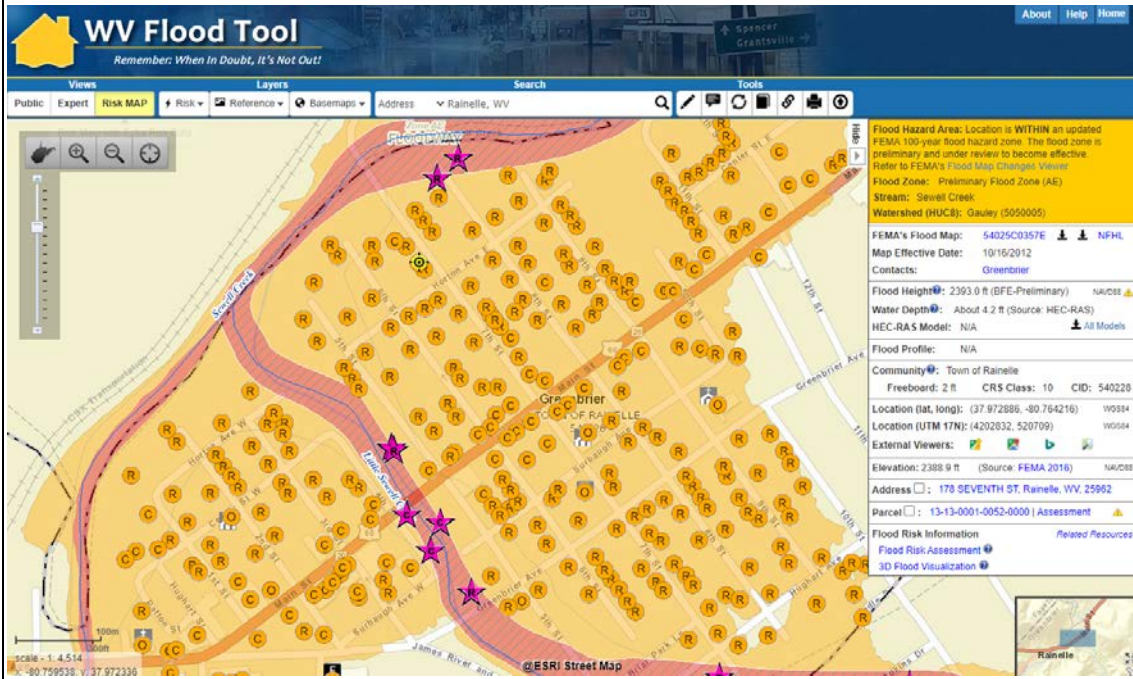
Flood Hazard Area: Location is WITHIN an updated FEMA 100-year flood hazard zone. The flood zone is DRAFT and under review to become PRELIMINARY.
Flood Zone: Draft Flood Zone (AE)
Stream: Greenbrier River
Watershed (HUC8): Greenbrier (5050003)

Project 2: EXAMPLE FEMA RESTUDY FOR RAINELLE, GREENBRIER COUNTY

Example of mapped in structures to new SFHA from Preliminary Flood Study of Rainelle, WV. Mapped in structures (orange circles) and flood loss estimates are updated in the statewide Building Level Risk Assessment (BLRA).

Rainelle, WV (Greenbrier County)

<https://www.mapwv.gov/flood/map/?wkid=102100&x=-8990631&y=4575596&l=10&v=2>



Future Map

- R MAPPED OUT-Residential
- C MAPPED OUT-Commercial
- O MAPPED OUT-Other
- R MAPPED IN-Residential
- C MAPPED IN-Commercial
- O MAPPED IN-Other
- R Remains Same-Residential
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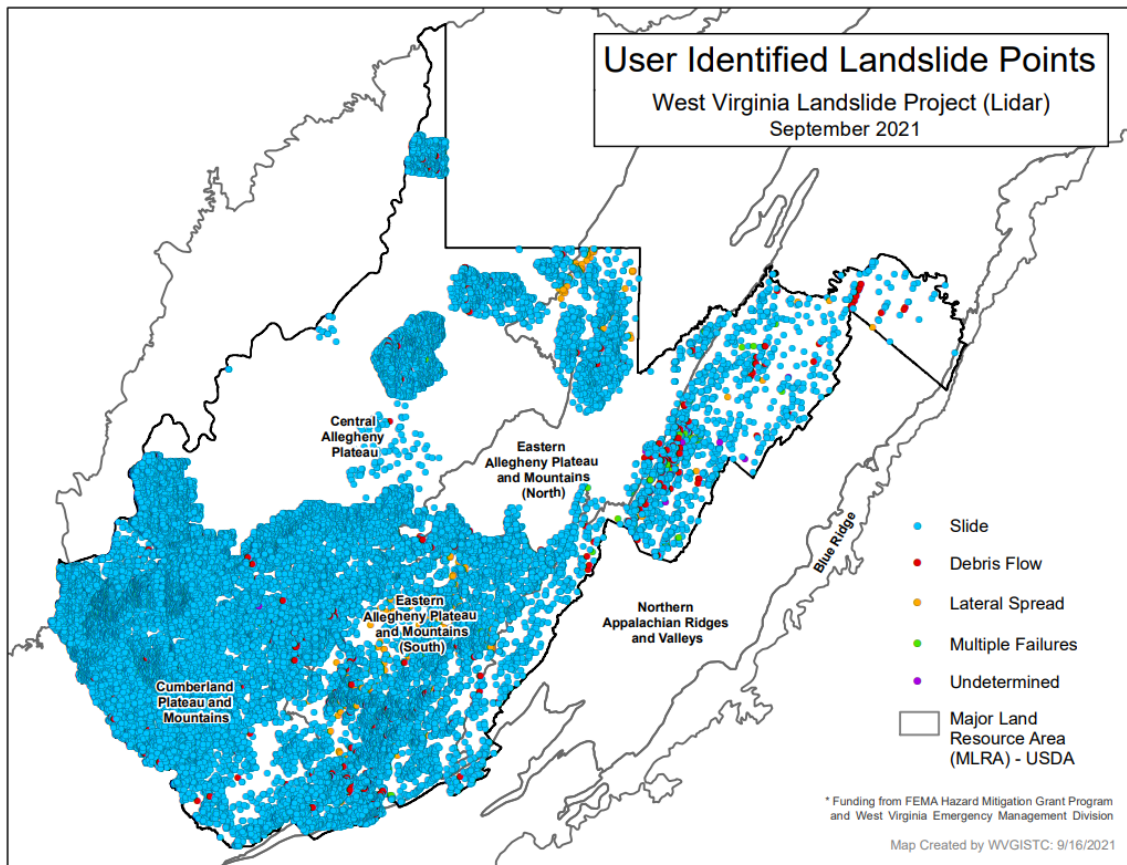
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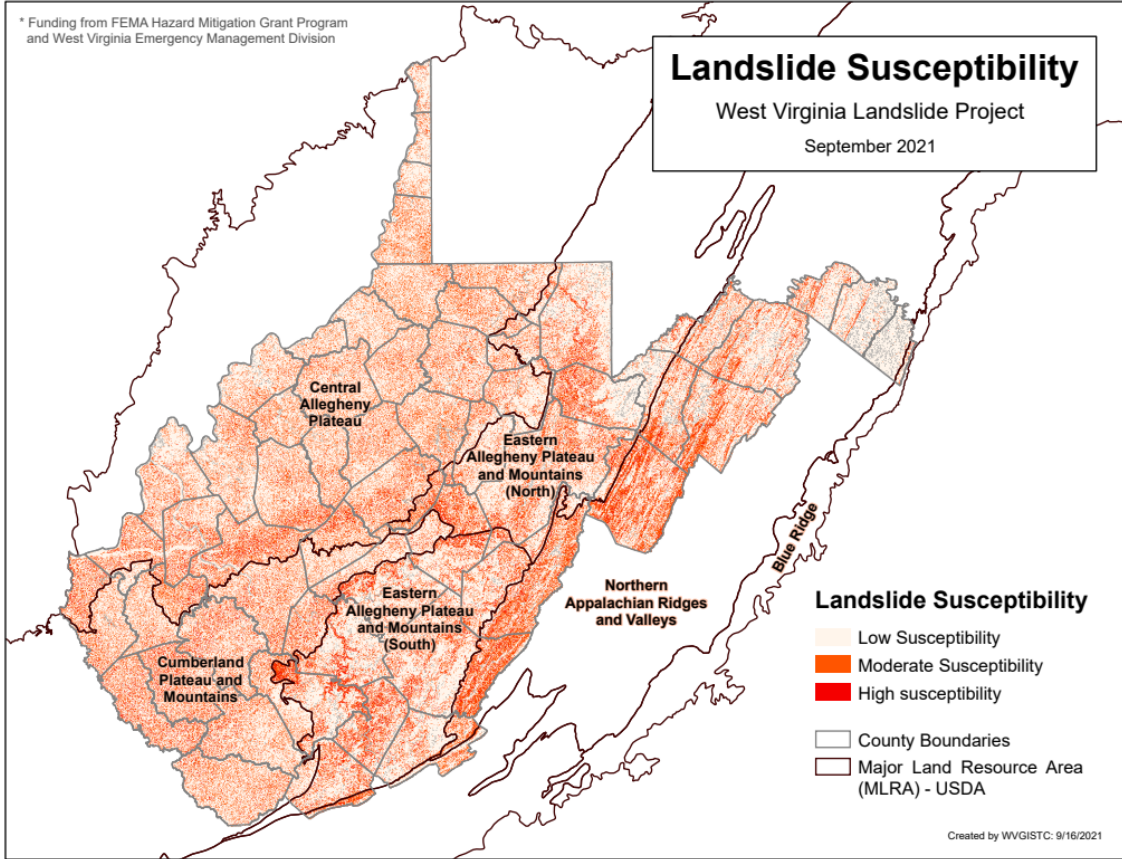
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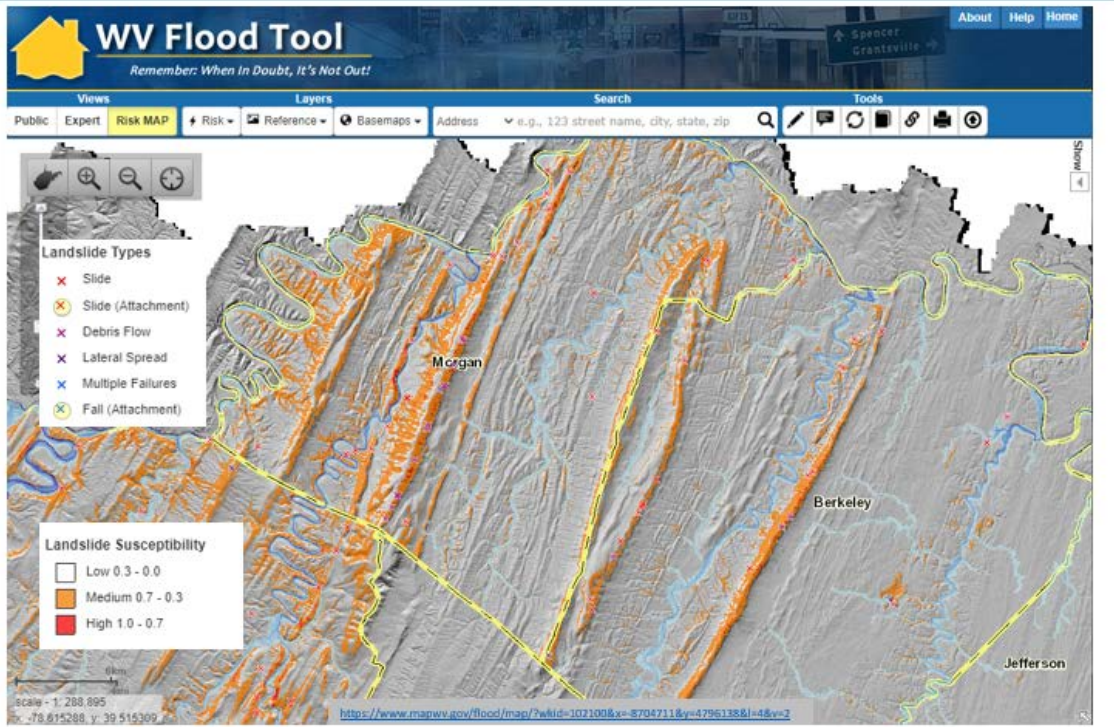
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Landslide Susceptibility

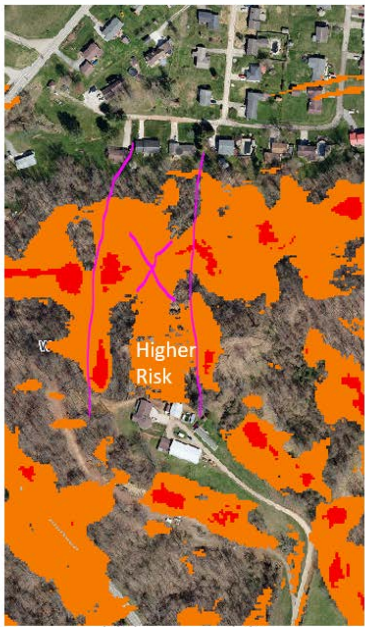
West Virginia Landslide Project
September 2021



Landslide Risk



Landslide Susceptibility Maps



Landslide Susceptibility



Spring 2020 Aerial Imagery

Landslide damages Washington Bottom home, threatens others

Impacted Home



April 2020
Landslide

Wood County

Impacted home moved from foundation

Identified Hazard - Landslide

- BUILDING-LEVEL RISK: 100-YEAR FLOOD
- CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE
- FLOOD DEPTH
- OTHER NATURAL HAZARDS
- Landslide Incidents
- Landslide Susceptibility
- MITIGATED PROPERTIES & OPEN SPACE
- PRIMARY FLOOD HAZARD LAYERS
- PRELIMINARY/DRAFT FLOOD LAYERS
- OTHER FLOOD ZONE SYMBOLOGY
- MISCELLANEOUS LAYERS

* indicates that data is from FEMA.
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2019 Slide

Route 112 near Ingleside, WV (Mercer County)

Landslide Shared Link: <https://www.mapwv.gov/flood/map/?wkid=102100&x=-9034072&y=4480092&l=10&v=2>

	<p><u>Is climate change (precipitation) part of the plan for this special project option?</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Previous research like the Geomorphic studies of the storm and flood of November 3-5, 1985, in the upper Potomac and Cheat River basins in West Virginia and Virginia provides precipitation and landslide trigger rates that can be incorporated into climate change precipitation models. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ More than 3,000 landslides were triggered by heavy rainfall in the central Appalachian Mountains of West Virginia and Virginia, November 3-5, 1985. ○ Ninety-five percent of the landslides triggered by the November storm were slides, slide flows, slumps, or slump flows; the remaining 5 percent can be classified as debris avalanches and slide flows transitional to avalanches. ○ The spatial distribution of landslides triggered by the storm was controlled primarily by rainfall, bedrock lithology, surficial lithology, land cover, and slope morphology. ○ The triggering rainfall was of moderate intensity and long duration. Two-day storm totals varied from 170 mm (6.7 inches) to more than 240 mm (9.4 inches) in the study area. Most landslides occurred at the northeast end of the study area, where 48-h rainfall totals were more than 200 mm (7.9 inches). ○ Intensity and rainfall duration of storms responsible for triggering landslides in the central Appalachians. https://pubs.usgs.gov/bul/1981/report.pdf#page=70 • WVU Geology Professor Charlie Shobe would assist with the climate change data for predictive landslide mapping/modeling. 	
	<p>This Agreement supports the goals and objectives of the Cooperating Technical Partners (CTP) Program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhanced Risk Assessment Data: Address gaps in flood hazard data to form a solid foundation for risk assessment, floodplain management, and actuarial soundness of the NFIP. • Public Awareness/Outreach: Ensure that a measurable increase in the public’s awareness and understanding of flood risk results in a measurable reduction of current and future vulnerability. • Hazard Mitigation Planning: Lead and support states, and localities to effectively engage in risk-based mitigation planning resulting in sustainable actions that reduce or eliminate risks to life and property from natural hazards. • Enhanced Digital Platform: Provide an enhanced digital platform that improves management of Risk MAP, stewardship of information produced by Risk MAP, and communication and sharing of risk data and related products to all levels of government and the public. • Alignment and Synergies: Align risk analysis programs and develop synergies to enhance decision-making capabilities through effective risk communication and management. 	
	<p><i>Total Amount</i></p>	<p>\$100,000</p>