

Yellow highlighted areas indicate areas of state support for CRS activities or "state-based credit"

Table 110-2. Credit points awarded for CRS activities.*				
Activity	Maximum Possible Points	Maximum Points Earned	Average Points Earned	Percentage of Communities Credited
300 Public Information Activities				
310 Elevation Certificates	116	116	38	96%
320 Map Information Service	90	90	73	85%
330 Outreach Projects	350	350	87	93%
340 Hazard Disclosure	80	62	14	84%
350 Flood Protection Information	125	125	38	87%
360 Flood Protection Assistance	110	100	55	41%
370 Flood Insurance Promotion ⁵	110	110	39	4%
400 Mapping and Regulations				
410 Flood Hazard Mapping	802	576	60	55%
420 Open Space Preservation	2,020	1,603	509	89%
430 Higher Regulatory Standards	2,042	1,335	270	100%
440 Flood Data Maintenance	222	249	115	95%
450 Stormwater Management	755	605	132	87%
500 Flood Damage Reduction Activities				
510 Floodplain Mgmt. Planning	622	514	175	64%
520 Acquisition and Relocation	2,250	1,999	195	28%
530 Flood Protection	1,600	541	73	13%
540 Drainage System Maintenance	570	454	218	43%
600 Warning and Response				
610 Flood Warning and Response	395	365	254	20%
620 Levees	235	207	157	0.5%
630 Dams	160	99	35	35%
<p>* Figures are based on communities that have received verified credit under the 2013 <i>CRS Coordinator's Manual</i> (about 43% of CRS communities), as of October 2016. The maximum possible points are based on the 2013 <i>Coordinator's Manual</i>. Growth adjustments are not included.</p>				

If you want to improve a specific aspect of your existing floodplain management efforts, the CRS has 19 credited activities and additional sections and appendices that provide supplementary guidance and references. Here is a guide to what they cover.

- Assessing your community’s flood problem: Section 240
- Mapping and flood data
 - Developing new maps and data: Activity 410
 - Maintaining and providing maps and data: Activity 440 and Activity 320
 - Providing the data to people: Activity 320
 - Mapping special flood-related hazards (e.g., tsunamis, migrating stream channels, coastal erosion): Activity 320 and Activity 410.
- Managing new development to minimize future damage
 - Preserving open space: Activity 420
 - Protecting natural floodplain functions: Activity 420 and Activity 510
 - Regulating development in the floodplain: Activity 430 and Activity 310
 - Regulating development in the watershed: Activity 450
 - Managing special flood-related hazards (e.g., tsunamis, migrating stream channels, coastal erosion): Activity 420 and Activity 430.
- Developing a floodplain management plan for your community: Activity 510
- Reducing flood losses to existing development
 - Acquiring or relocating flood-prone buildings out of harm’s way: Section 501, Activity 520, and Activity 530
 - Protecting flood-prone buildings in place: Activity 530
 - Improving your drainage system maintenance efforts: Activity 540
 - Addressing repetitively flooded properties: Activity 520 and Activity 530
- Improving emergency preparedness and response
 - Flood warning and response planning: Activity 610
 - Warning and response for areas protected by a levee: Activity 620
 - Warning and response for areas downstream of a dam: Activity 630
- Implementing public information activities
 - Developing a master public information program: Activity 330
 - Reaching out to people about floods and flood protection: Activity 330
 - Providing detailed information on the potential for flooding and protecting against flood damage: Activity 320, Activity 350, and Activity 360

- Libraries: Activity 350
- Websites: Activity 350
- Disseminating information on flood insurance: Activity 370 and Activity 330
- Assisting with real estate disclosure: Activity 340.

More about the *Coordinator's Manual*

This document uses some technical terms and acronyms. The terms are defined in the Glossary, Section 120. The acronyms are listed in Appendix A. The most common acronyms are

NFIP	National Flood Insurance Program.
FEMA	The Federal Emergency Management Agency, part of the Department of Homeland Security. Most of the NFIP field work and community coordination is done by the 10 Regional Offices of FEMA.
CRS	Community Rating System.
FIRM	Flood Insurance Rate Map; published by FEMA and provided to communities.
SFHA	Special Flood Hazard Area; the floodplain delineated on the FIRM as A Zones and V Zones.

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