Our Purpose

The purpose of the Illinois Association for Floodplain and Stormwater Management is the following:

1. To promote public awareness of proper floodplain and stormwater management;

2. To promote the professional status of floodplain and stormwater management and secure all benefits resulting therefrom;

3. To promote a liaison between individuals concerned with proper floodplain and stormwater management and to encourage the exchange of ideas;

4. To keep individuals concerned with proper floodplain and stormwater management well informed through educational and professional seminars and to provide a method for dissemination of information, both general and technical;

5. To inform concerned individuals of pending floodplain and stormwater legislation and other related floodplain and stormwater management matters; and

6. To study and support legislation pertinent and necessary to the effective implementation of floodplain and stormwater management matters.
Our Organization

The four elected officers: Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary and Treasurer with the immediate past chair form the Executive Committee. The Board of Directors includes the Executive Committee and all Committee Chairs.

Committee chairs welcome assistance and input from interested members. Please see our webpage for the contact information for each committee chair. IAFSM is supported by the following committees.

- Annual Conference
- Awards
- Certification
- Community Rating System
- Education Outreach
- Floodplain Management
- Legislative
- Newsletter
- Nominations & Elections
- Stormwater Management
- Wetlands
- Mitigation
- Inter-Organizational

Our services

Membership Benefits

Members of IAFSM gain the ability to communicate a uniform position on current concerns, rule changes, local programs and other issues impacting floodplain management. We would like to invite you to join us and work together to promote sound floodplain and stormwater management. IAFSM membership provides an unique opportunity to communicate and share ideas with fellow professionals in private industry, municipal government, and state and federal agencies.

Additional membership benefits include the bimonthly newsletter on topics affecting floodplain and stormwater management as well as hazard mitigation, state and federal programs, upcoming conferences, workshops and job openings.

IAFSM membership also provides members a reduced fee for professional development opportunities sponsored by IAFSM.

Certified Floodplain Managers (CFMs)

Illinois has specific CFM certification requirements. IAFSM active supports the certification program through training, publications, and hosting the Illinois Floodplain Manager Certification exam. Illinois CFMs also have national certification. All Illinois CFMs are listed on IAFSMs web site. Certification is to prove a level of expertise in

- Floodplain mapping
- NFIP requirements and standards
- State floodplain management program requirements
- Administrative procedure needed to make floodplain management work at the community level

Becoming a Certified Floodplain Manager “shows you know your stuff”.

Find information on upcoming exam dates and study resources at illinoisfloods.org.

Become a Member

By contacting us at IAFSM@sbcglobal.net or through the membership form available on our website, illinoisfloods.org.