

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING AND EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

OFMA is dedicated to providing quality professional training and educational opportunities for floodplain management professionals. Among the many opportunities are:

- Managing Floodplain Development Through the NFIP
- OWRB Floodplain Management 101 Regional Workshops
- Spring Technical Training
- Annual Conference
- Correspondence Courses
- On-Line Training Courses
- Publications
- Flood Current
- Water News
- The B.F.E.
- OFMA Calendar

See OFMA's brochure *Professional Training and Educational Opportunities* for more details.

ACCREDITATION & CERTIFICATION

Local Floodplain Administrators are required to be accredited by the Oklahoma Water Resources Board. See OFMA's brochure *Floodplain Managers Accreditation and Certification* for more information on requirements and procedures.

CERTIFICATION

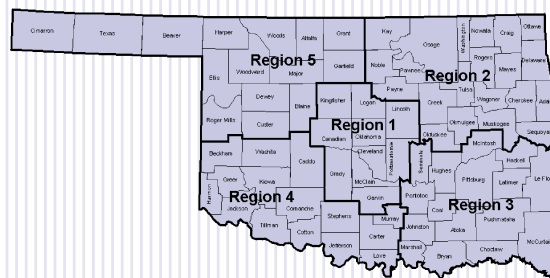
In 1999, OFMA adopted the national ASFPM program for professional floodplain manager certification. For additional information on how to become a Certified Floodplain Manager (CFM®), check the OFMA web site.

MEMBERSHIP

Log onto www.okflood.org and print out a membership application. The membership fee schedule is included on the application. Complete the application and mail it, along with a check, to:

OFMA
P.O. Box 8101
Tulsa, OK 74101-8101

REGIONAL BOUNDARIES



Region 1

Canadian
 Cleveland
 Garvin
 Grady
 Kingfisher
 Lincoln
 Logan
 McClain
 Oklahoma
 Pottawatomie

Rogers
 Sequayah
 Tulsa
 Wagoner
 Washington

Comanche
 Cotton
 Greer
 Harmon
 Jackson
 Jefferson
 Kiowa
 Love

Region 3

Atoka
 Bryan
 Chocta
 Coal

Murray
 Stephens
 Tillman
 Washita

Region 2

Adair
 Cherokee
 Craig
 Creek
 Delaware
 Kay
 Mayes
 Muskogee
 Noble
 Nowata
 Okmulgee
 Okfuskee
 Osage
 Ottawa
 Pawnee
 Payne

Haskell
 Hughes
 Johnson
 Latimer
 LeFlore
 Marshall
 McCurtain
 McIntosh
 Pittsburg
 Ponotoc
 Pushmataha
 Seminole

Region 5

Alfalfa
 Beaver
 Blaine
 Cimarron
 Custer
 Dewey
 Ellis
 Garfield
 Grant
 Harper
 Major
 Roger Mills
 Texas
 Woods
 Woodward

Region 4

Beckham
 Caddo
 Carter

OKLAHOMA FLOODPLAIN MANAGERS ASSOCIATION



Kingfisher, OK

**SAVE LIVES AND
 MINIMIZE PROPERTY
 LOSS DUE TO FLOODING**



OKLAHOMA FLOODPLAIN MANAGERS ASSOCIATION (OFMA)

OFMA, organized in 1990, is Oklahoma's state floodplain managers' association and is a Chapter member of the national **Association of State Floodplain Managers (ASFPM)**. OFMA brings together floodplain management professionals with a common interest in promoting sound floodplain management. Membership includes local floodplain administrators, public employees and elected officials, concerned citizens, engineers, surveyors, planners, contractors, lenders, insurance and real estate agents, students, corporate partners, and local, state, and federal agencies.

OFMA'S VISION

The Oklahoma Floodplain Managers Association advocates protection of the natural functions of floodplains through education, training, and service to Oklahomans.

OFMA'S OBJECTIVES

Objectives include promoting interest in flood damage abatement, improving cooperation among government agencies, and encouraging innovative approaches to managing Oklahoma's floodplains. OFMA provides a unified membership capable of presenting a strong voice to communicate to the public, media and lawmakers on flood-related issues. Other benefits include the OFMA newsletter (*"The*

B.F.E."), spring and annual conferences, legislative reception at the state capitol, and other training and educational opportunities.

OFMA'S MISSION

- Encourage and promote flood-safe development and flood mitigation.
- Promote sound floodplain management practices and the natural and cultural benefits of the floodplain.
- Educate the public that floodplains are for floodwaters, habitat, water quality enhancement, and recreation.
- Enhance the floodplain management profession through education and certification.

BENEFITS OF OFMA MEMBERSHIP

- **Understanding Problems and Finding Solutions:**
OFMA brings together floodplain management professionals experiencing similar problems with those who may have solutions. Members gain a better understanding of the state's floodplain management efforts and develop a cooperative, harmonious relationship through participation in Association activities.
- **Professional Development and Certification:**
OFMA membership affords floodplain managers an unprecedented opportunity for professional development and certification (see Certification on the OFMA website at www.okflood.org).
- **Speaking With One Voice:**
Members gain the ability to communicate a uniform position on current concerns, rule changes, local programs and other floodplain management issues. A unified membership can present one strong voice to communicate to the state legislature.
- **Membership In The ASFPM:**
OFMA is a Chapter of the Association of State Floodplain Managers, Inc., and can influence regional and national issues that affect floodplain

managers. Chapter members receive discounts on ASFPM publications and conference workshops.

- **Networking:**

The greatest benefit of OFMA membership is the opportunity for floodplain information exchange among colleagues and peers in the public and private sectors.

- **Participation in Committees of Specialized Interest:**

Participation in OFMA's committees provides members with an opportunity to become involved, take ownership, make a difference, gain specialized knowledge and information, and have a say in the future direction of floodplain management in the State of Oklahoma.

- **Newsletter:**

As an OFMA Member you will receive "The B.F.E.", OFMA's newsletter, and receive the Association of State Floodplain Managers' (ASFPM) monthly News and Views. These newsletters provide professional information to members, including upcoming events calendar, committee information and updates, program changes, training and educational opportunities, the State NFIP Coordinator's column, rules and regulations, helpful web links, and other needed information.

- **Committees:**

If you are interested in becoming more involved in OFMA, we welcome you to join one of the Association's five standing professional committees: Legislation, Education, Engineering & Mapping, Mitigation, and Professional Development.

The Oklahoma Floodplain Managers Association has an eleven (11) member Board of Directors: Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, 5 Regional Representatives, Past Chair, and the State NFIP Coordinator. The names and contact information can be found on the OFMA web site. You are welcome to contact any of these individuals and/or your Regional Representative for more information.

