

Floodplain Management Training Calendar

July 2025 - June 2026

Date	Time	Training Offering (Location)	Registration
Weds, July 16, 2025	12:00pm-1:30pm	Being a Floodplain Administrator (Virtual)	Sign up
Weds, August 20, 2025	12:00pm-1:30pm	Understanding FEMA's Flood Maps (Virtual)	Sign up
Tues, September 16, 2025	9:00am-12:00pm	MWBOA: Flood Resistant Construction in the 10 th Edition Building Code (Grafton)	Learn more
Weds, September 17, 2025	12:00pm-1:30pm	Substantial Improvement & Substantial Damage (Virtual)	Sign up
Weds, September 24, 2025	2:00pm-3:00pm	Substantial Damage Planning (Virtual)	Sign up
Weds, October 15, 2025	12:00pm-1:30pm	Flood Resistant Construction in the 10 th Edition Building Code (Virtual)	Sign up
Sat, October 27, 2025	All day	MACC (Devens)	Learn more
Tues, October 28, 2025	All day	MassFM Annual Conference (Worcester)	Learn more
Weds, November 19, 2025	12:00pm-1:30pm	Floodplain Development Permitting (Virtual)	Sign up
Weds, December 10, 2025	9:00-10:30am	NFIP Beyond the Building Code (Virtual)	Sign up
Weds, December 17, 2025	12:00pm-1:30pm	MA Model Floodplain Bylaw (Virtual)	Sign up
Weds, January 21, 2026	12:00pm-1:30pm	Being a Floodplain Administrator (Virtual)	Sign up
Weds, February 18, 2026	12:00pm-1:30pm	Substantial Improvement & Substantial Damage (Virtual)	Sign up
Weds, February 25, 2026	1:00-2:00pm	Substantial Damage Planning (Virtual)	Sign up

Date	Time	Training Offering (Location)	Registration
Weds, March 18, 2026	12:00pm-1:30pm	Understanding FEMA's Flood Maps (Virtual)	Sign up
March 2026	All day	MACC (Worcester)	Learn more
Weds, April 8, 2026	12pm-1:30pm	Understanding FEMA's Flood Insurance Studies (Virtual)	Sign up
Weds, April 15, 2026	12:00pm-1:30pm	Flood Resistant Construction in the 10th Edition Building Code (Virtual)	Sign up
Weds, May 20, 2026	12:00pm-1:30pm	Floodplain Development Permitting (Virtual)	Sign up
May 2026	All day	SEMBOA Annual Conference	Learn more
May 31-June 4, 2026	All day	ASFPM Annual Conference (Wisconsin)	Learn more
Weds, June 17, 2026	12:00pm-1:30pm	MA Model Floodplain Bylaw (Virtual)	Sign up

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Floodplain Basics Series

This series of six courses covers basic topics in floodplain administration and runs from 12-1:30pm on the third Wednesday of every month.

Being a Floodplain Administrator:

This introductory course reviews the role of the local Floodplain Administrator (FPA) and the basics of local implementation of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). The course is highly interactive with plenty of time to ask questions. Completion of the course offers 1 CEC credit from ASFPM for CFMs.

Understanding FEMA's Flood Maps:

Are you new to using FEMA's Flood Insurance Rate Maps? This course serves as an introduction to FEMA's flood maps and will walk through how to access, read, and understand FEMA's flood maps. Completion of the course offers 1.5 CEC credits from ASFPM for Certified Floodplain Managers

Floodplain Development Permitting:

Effectively managing development in the floodplain requires a well-integrated local permitting process that includes review by multiple programs. This course offers a closer look at floodplain

permitting and review processes, and reviews how a community can work together for sound floodplain management. Completion of the course offers 1 CEC credit from ASFPM for CFMs.

Flood Resistant Construction in the 10th Edition Building Code:

For building officials: This course will cover the residential flood-resistant construction standards of the MA Building Code, including 10th Ed. updates. Related FEMA guidance will also be covered. Completion of the course offers 1 CEC credit from ASFPM for CFMs.

Substantial Improvement/Substantial Damage:

For building officials: Do you ever receive permit applications for rehabs or restorations of buildings in the floodplain? Brush up on the NFIP requirements for ‘substantial improvements’ in the floodplain. (This is often referred to as “the 50% rule.”) Requirements for substantial damage post-disaster will also be covered. Completion of the course offers 1 CEC credit from ASFPM for CFMs.

MA Model Floodplain Bylaw:

For floodplain administrators and planners: Need to update your local floodplain regulations? This training will walk you through the current MA model floodplain bylaw and explain how your community can use it to meet NFIP regulatory requirements. Completion of the course offers 1 CEC credit from ASFPM for CFMs.

Intermediate Courses

NFIP Beyond the Building Code:

For floodplain administrators and conservation agents: This covers requirements for floodplain development that is not structures—tanks, watercourse revisions, fences, pools, recreational vehicles and more. Learn about your role in keeping your community safer from flood damages! Completion of the course offers 1 CEC credit from ASFPM for Certified Floodplain Managers.

Substantial Damage Planning:

This course offers insight into pre-disaster planning for the work of substantial damage (SD): developing a local SD plan and team, a look at tools for SD determination, and a hint about Stafford Act funding for this work.

Understanding FEMA’s Flood Insurance Studies:

This course serves as an introduction to FEMA’s Flood Insurance Studies, which accompany FEMA’s Flood Insurance Rate Maps. This course will walk through how to understand and use FEMA’s Flood Insurance Studies, including how to use the Flood Insurance Study to determine a base flood elevation.