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Wilmington District

Floodplain Management Services

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What is it?

Flood Plain Management Services (FPMS) can provide a broad range of information, technical assistance, and planning guidance related to flood plain management for federal, state, local, private, and non-profit interests. Flood Plain Management Services includes:

- **Technical Services** – When data is readily available, the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) can conduct flood hazard evaluations for residential, commercial, and non-profit interests. Most technical service and quick response requests are processed on a first-come-first-service basis.
- **Special Studies** – When detailed hydrologic, hydraulic, and floodway analyses are required, USACE can conduct studies to produce new information such as 100-year flood boundary maps, flood profiles, floodways, and flood plain studies. USACE can also conduct flood forecast, warning, and preparedness studies and storm water management, reduction, and detention studies.
- **Guides, Pamphlets, and Supporting Studies** – USACE has a variety of technical assistance and planning publications to assist local officials, contractors, and private homeowners on flood plain management issues including flood proofing, regulations, and streambank protection.
- **Support to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)** - in conjunction with the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

Who can apply?

Any non-Federal government entity can request a FPMS study. Contact Wilmington District to discuss your problem and associated qualification requirements.

What does it cost?

- Services are funded at 100% Federal for non-federal governments and Indian tribes. To expand the scope, sponsors may add cost shared funds within Federal funding capabilities. For studies that are more complex, expensive, or require large amounts of data, sponsors are requested to provide base data such as surveys and topographic information. FPMS requests handled for private entities incur a charge based on the standard USACE "Fee Schedule", with no Federal funding utilized.
- The annual appropriation for the FPMS program varies from year to year. The availability of Federal funds influences the number of services that can be provided by USACE in any given year.

How long does it take?

Studies vary greatly in size and scope. Technical services are usually studies or assistance that take 40 hours or less to accomplish or are services with a relatively low cost. Special studies typically require more than a week to complete or have higher costs associated with the service provided, such as hydraulic modeling or week-long seminars.