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Course: *L0320 - Hurricane Preparedness for Decision Makers Course – State Specific - Virginia*

Course Date:

April 28-30, 2015

Location:

Virginia Modeling, Analysis and Simulation Center
1030 University Blvd.
Suffolk, VA 23435 • 757-686-6200

Course Schedule:

Registration: Tuesday, April 28th - 7:30am

Course Hours: 8:00am – 5:00pm (Tues-Thurs)

Course Description:

Hurricane Preparedness for Decision Makers – State Specific is a three day on-site course intended to provide state and local decision makers with an understanding of hurricane hazards and available resources/tools from National Hurricane Center (NHC), local Weather Forecast Offices (WFOs), FEMA and the USACE to assist them in making timely evacuation decisions and other protective measures.

The course addresses hurricane forecasting with an emphasis on National Hurricane Center (NHC) forecast process, products and tools and the coordination between the NHC and local NWS WFOs. A discussion on Forecast Uncertainty will be included. The course will include a description of the hazards associated with hurricanes with an emphasis on Storm Surge and SLOSH Storm Surge products. Other hazards specific to Virginia will be covered including inland winds, inland flooding and tornadoes.

FEMA instructors will provide an overview of the Hurricane Evacuation Studies (HES), clearance times and Post Storm Assessments to assist in local evacuation decision making. The course includes an overview and demonstration of HURREVAC, and culminates in a hurricane decision-making table-top exercise.

Course Objectives:

COURSE OBJECTIVES

- Describe the NHC forecast process and products
- Describe the uncertainties of NHC forecasts that must be considered in emergency management decision-making
- Describe how to use NHC storm surge information
- Explain the components of Hurricane Evacuation Studies (HES) and how to plan for the threat
- Identify the resources available for evacuation decision-making

Target Audience:

Local elected officials, emergency managers, planners and operations officers that have hurricane evacuation decision-making responsibilities.

Prerequisite:

Completion of the online EMI Independent Study Course IS-0324.a “Community Hurricane Preparedness”: <http://training.fema.gov/IS/crslist.asp>

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Recommended:

Students will be selected based on their jurisdiction and responsibilities. To participate, applicants must serve coastal communities. Applications from inland communities subject to evacuation support and routes will be accepted on a space available basis. Students are expected to complete all course prerequisites, attend ALL sessions of the on-site course, and complete the final exam at the end of the course.

Student should make necessary arrangements to back up day-to-day duties while attending this course to ensure full participation. Those who do not attend all sessions will not receive an EMI course completion certificate.

Funding:

All expenses to attend the training will be the responsibility of the student or their sponsoring agency.

To Apply:

Prospective student must:

- 1) Complete **FEMA Form 119-25-2, General Admissions Application (Short Form)** with the student signature and signature of supervisor or sponsoring agency official.
- 2) Attach Certificate of completion for **IS-0324.a “Community Hurricane Preparedness”** (attach to application)
- 3) Submit Form 119-25-2 and Certificate of Completion to Point of Contact.
- 4) Applications should be submitted no later than Monday, April 13, 2015.

FEMA General Application Form - SID number:

The SSN number is no longer required on FEMA General Application Forms. FEMA is moving towards eliminating the use of the Social Security Number (SSN #) on applications for any training sponsored by FEMA. **All applicants are now required to obtain an SID (Student ID) number, which will be used in place of your SSN# on your application form.**

How do I obtain my FEMA SID number?

- Step 1: To register, go to <https://cdp.dhs.gov/femasid>
- Step 2: Click on the “Need a FEMA SID” button on the right side of the screen.
- Step 3: Follow the instructions and provide the necessary information to create your account.
- Step 4: You will receive an email with your SID number. You should save this number in a secure location.

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