

Delaware River Basin Flood Advisory Committee

- The FAC was established in 1999. The committee meets quarterly.
- Whereas, numerous organizations within the Delaware River Basin share flood loss reduction responsibilities; and
- Whereas, a Flood Advisory Committee can provide a forum for coordination of activities and promote efficient use of technical and financial resources for the benefit of the Delaware River Basin Community.

The Delaware River....

crosses many boundaries

- Four states: DE, PA, NJ, NY
- 25 congressional districts
- 2 FEMA Regions
- 2 EPA Regions
- 5 USGS offices
- 4 NRCS state offices
- 42 counties
- 838 municipalities

.... coordination is critical for effective flood loss reduction



Flood Advisory Committee

Members:

- Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control
- New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
- New York Department of Environmental Conservation
- Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection
- New York City Department of Environmental Protection
- Delaware Emergency Management Agency
- New Jersey Office of Emergency Management
- New York Office of Emergency Management
- Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency
- Federal Emergency Management Agency
- U.S. Department of Agriculture - Natural Resources Conservation Service
- U.S. Geological Survey
- National Weather Service
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- National Park Service
- Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission
- Electric Generation Industry (Hydropower and Off-Stream Storage)
- County Water Resources Agency
- Local/County Emergency Management Representatives

Delaware Flood Mitigation Interstate Task Force July 2007 Agenda:

- FR-1: Catalog, Evaluate and Update Existing State and Local Floodplain Regulations

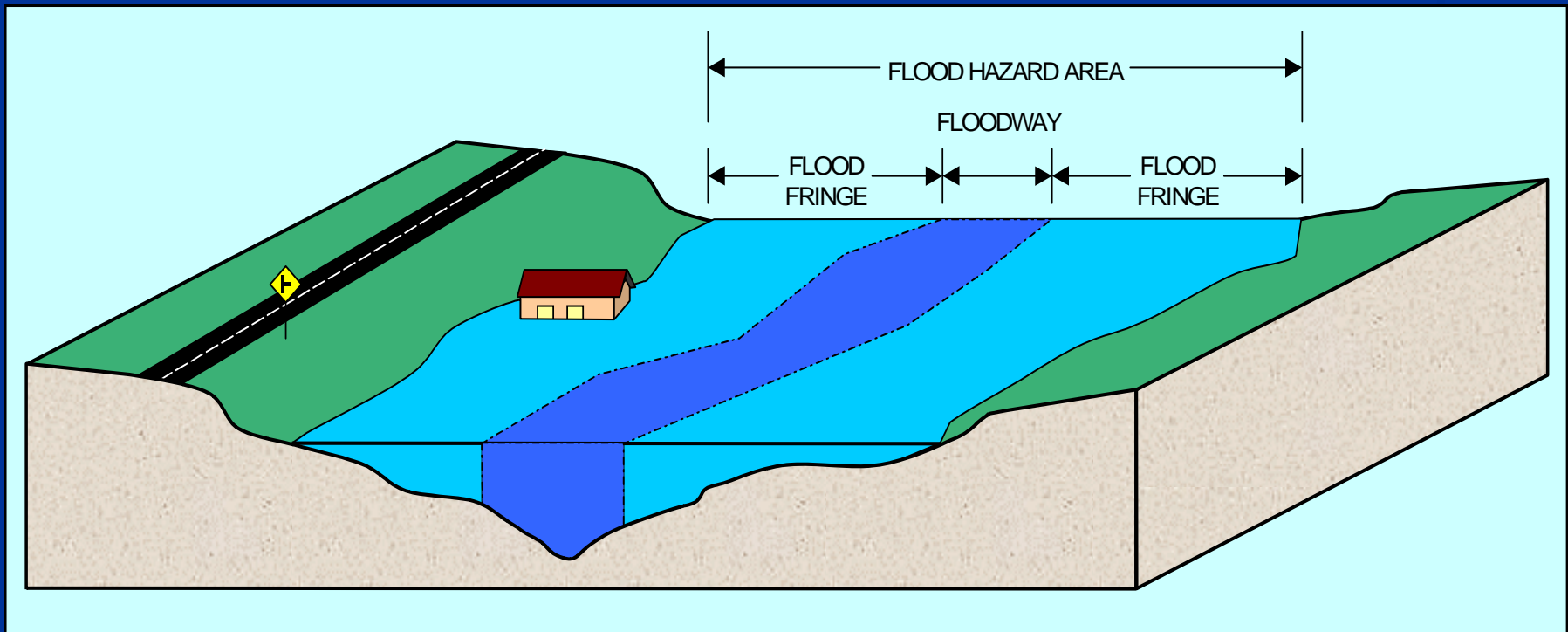


FIGURE A THE FLOOD HAZARD AREA IS COMPRISED OF THE FLOODWAY AND FLOOD FRINGE

Floodplain Regulation Evaluation Subcommittee:

Charge to subcommittee:

“To review and evaluate the similarities and differences in floodplain regulations throughout the Delaware River Basin, and to develop and present recommendations on the potential for more effective floodplain management throughout the basin to the FAC.”

Composition:

Co-chairs: Joseph Ruggeri, NJDEP & Dan Fitzpatrick, PADCED

- Basin states (6 total, 2 per state when applicable)
- Federal government (2)
- Environmental and citizen groups (3)
 - environmental
 - riverbank property owners
 - education and outreach
- Builders, Agriculture and Commerce (3)
 - builders association
 - farm bureau
 - chamber of commerce
- Flood mapping consultants (2)
- Local officials (4 total, 1 per state - designated by state)

Total: 20 individuals representing varying representative groups

Subcommittee Review Materials include, but are not limited, to:

- National Flood Insurance Program minimum requirements
- DRBC Floodplain Regulations
- NJDEP Flood Hazard Area Control Act Rules
- Pennsylvania Flood Plain Management Act
- PADCED Guidance
- New York - Floodplain Management Criteria for State Projects
- NYS Residential Building Code
- Guidance by NYSDEC
- Unified Development Code, New Castle County, DE
- National Flood Programs and Policies in Review, ASFPM
- Effective State Floodplain Management Programs, ASFPM

Timeline:

- First meeting to convene November 2008
- Within 9 months of the first meeting, the subcommittee will provide a comparison document and recommendations to the FAC
- Within 3 months of receipt of the subcommittee report, the FAC will report findings to the Commissioners at a regularly scheduled commission meeting.