Resolution on FEMA Digital Maps

WHEREAS:
* The ASFPM recognizes an essential FEMA role in producing digital, edited map coverage of flood hazard areas in order to reduce flood losses through floodplain management and the flood insurance program,

* One goal of the ASFPM is to improve maps for floodplain management, including the updating and revising of existing maps,

*One objective of the ASFPM is to develop guidelines for state and local agencies for the development of GIS programs to ensure that floodplain data is properly considered, incorporated, and entered.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:
* The Association urges FEMA to establish a standing operating procedure for the development and transfer of digital floodplain map data for state and local GIS applications that meets the following goals:

1. That flood hazard maps be of uniform accuracy standards, with a base map of common scale and resolution, uniform stream numbers and reference point system, state plane coordinates and geodetic points,

2. That FEMA flood hazard maps be readily available in digital format through the office of the state coordinator in a format compatible with pc-based, vendor supplied software,

3. That FEMA flood hazard maps be kept current through the updating and compiling of floodplain information in a GIS database,

4. That FEMA provide training to state and local agencies in the use of the FEMA flood hazard mapping system.

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