Since the national conference in Oklahoma City, the ASFPM Flood Mitigation Committee has worked on the following goals with the associated tasks:

**Provide Input on National Mitigation Policy**
- Promoted evaluation and reforms of federal programs and policies.
  - Commented on Congressional bills and amendments and provided discussion points and comments for Congressional testimony related to hazard mitigation and the Stafford Act.
- Promoted improved National Policy through papers, publications, discussions with Congressional, Administration, and other decision makers (ASFPM Goals 2.2.4).
  - Continued to work with the National Emergency Management Association on their mitigation white paper.
  - Completed draft “Definition of Mitigation” white paper. Comments were sought from Mitigation Committee, SHMONet, and NHMA.
  - Completed a draft discussion paper about sustainability and FEMA’s HMA programs.
  - White paper on maximizing the use of Public Assistance Section 406 Mitigation and Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Section 404 funding. No additional work was completed on this.
- Supported the need for an independent comprehensive evaluation of DMA 2000 planning requirement effectiveness.
  - FEMA has created a stakeholder group to review the hazard mitigation planning requirements.
- Provided options and recommendations for the reinstatement of ASFPM’s Mitigation Success Stories publication.
- Received Flood Mitigation Committee Core Group comments and completed research on the benefits of open space associated with acquisition/demolition HMA grant projects.
  - Joined with the New Jersey Association of Floodplain Managers and their similar initiative to assess impact of acquisition projects on the local tax base.
  - Mitigation Committee member, Ranko Pudar, conducted research on the value of open space.
- Developed Mitigation Myths one-page flyer for use at outreach events.
  - Comments have been received, but not compiled for the flyer.
- Co-Chair attended ASFPM-FEMA Mitigation Program Leadership “Listening Session” on 11/19/10, at FEMA Mitigation HQ offices. Co-chair presented on RL and SRL program opportunities and Increased Cost of Compliance (ICC). Follow-up meeting is scheduled for 5/6/11.

**Facilitate/Participate in Broadening Understanding and Effective Implementation of Mitigation**
- Networked with State Hazard Mitigation Officers to discuss hazard mitigation issues.
- Engaged in discussions with Natural Hazard Mitigation Association.
- Co-Chair observed the FY 2011 HMA Grant Program National Evaluation Panel.
- Co-Chair represented ASFPM at a meeting in Washington, DC on 3/4/10 to further promote formation of a “mitigation alliance.” NEMA was the lead entity on this meeting, and the focus was to discuss formalizing a multi-level alliance, as recommended in the 2009 Mitigation White Paper. ASFPM was one of two elected organizations to join the NEMA Mitigation Committee chairman to provide organizational leadership to the Alliance. ASFPM’s term is one year.

**Facilitate Greater Committee Participation**
- One co-chair is mentoring an interested Committee member with the intent to transition to new Committee leadership in the next year or two.
- The Committee intends to explore using webinars and a Committee web page for improved communication with Committee members once that functionality is added to the ASFPM website.