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ASFPM District 2 Chapter Director Status Report



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ASFPM DISTRICT 2 CHAPTER DIRECTOR STATUS REPORT Annual Conference—Phoenix, Arizona (2018)

District 2 encompasses FEMA Regions III and V that include the following states: Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia and Wisconsin, as well as the District of Columbia.

State chapters in District 2: Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, Virginia, West Virginia and Wisconsin

States without ASFPM affiliated associations in District 2: Delaware, Pennsylvania and the District of Columbia

CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

Illinois

Illinois Association for Floodplain and Stormwater Management

The Illinois chapter hosted their conference in Tinley Park, IL.

The newsletter editor published four *IAFSM Current* newsletters over the past year.

The CFM exam was given four times in locations around the state.

Minnesota

Minnesota Association of Floodplain Managers

1. The primary highlights included:
The MN chapter offers three scholarships to the national conference and up to 10 scholarships to the local conference. The MN members also participate in the Water Festival event that teaches 4th graders with a stormwater model about precipitation, impervious area, flooding and how to protect against flooding.
2. The MN chapter would like to report that it uses Mailchimp, google drive and Eventbrite to help keep our chapter organized and to inform our members of upcoming training.
3. The MN chapter is curious as to how do other chapters work to get more people involved and how do we create more excitement?

4. The MN chapter coordination with ASFPM on finding ways for local chapters to better connect with the national association. The association also shared tools of the trade with quick tips that can help other chapters be more successful.
5. The MN chapter dedicated resources this year to raise awareness and shift public understanding and willingness for long-term benefit to stay out of the floodplain. Board members attend and are involved in state climate adaptation workshops, a water festival and other professional development meetings.

Wisconsin

Wisconsin Association for Floodplain, Stormwater and Coastal Management

Chapter highlights:

Our annual conference was a hit again. We had increased participation compared to last year and were able to find some very engaging speakers.

We continue to offer scholarships for our members to attend the national conference and our local annual conference.

Issues encountered or addressed that could assist or enlighten other chapters if or when they encounter common situations:

No major issues.

Ways the national association could better assist your local chapter. There is always a way they can help. They may not even realize it:

We struggle with online registration for our annual conference. WAFSCM uses RegOnline, which is expensive and not that easy to set-up or use. If there is a way ASFPM could help streamline this process (perhaps for all the member organizations), it would really save some time.

Anything that can be done to streamline the chapter annual renewals would be greatly appreciated. We all have other full-time jobs and the time spent gathering information for the renewal is time that could perhaps be better spent engaging our members.

Ways the association has assisted your chapter in the last year so that these options are maintained.

Registration for the CFM exam is a big help.

ASFPM always sends a representative to our annual conference, which is a great benefit and helps keep our members up-to-date on things going on at a national level.

Talk about yourselves. With all the hard work your chapter puts in, this is a chance to let all the other chapters know what you are doing.

We are holding more social events to allow our members more time to network and build stronger collaborative relationships.

We are looking to offer more web-based educational opportunities to our members to keep them engaged, but not have to travel.

The other chapters within District 2 may be supplying information later.

Indiana

Indiana Association for Floodplain and Stormwater Managers (INAFSM)

Maryland

Maryland Association of Floodplain and Stormwater Managers

Michigan

Michigan Stormwater-Floodplain Association

Ohio

Ohio Floodplain Management Association

Virginia

Virginia Floodplain Management Association

West Virginia

West Virginia Floodplain Management Association

States Without Affiliated Chapters

Pennsylvania

Pennsylvania Association of Floodplain Managers

SUMMARY

The remaining state Delaware and the District of Columbia still have not had much activity take place now. The other existing nine chapter associations continue to flourish, but continued support from ASFPM will be needed to assist the chapters with their growth.