2027 ASFPM Annual National Conference Call for Abstracts

Welcome to the ASFPM Annual National Conference Call for Abstracts

Abstract Submittal Form Instructions

Important Notes:

- **The Call for Abstracts closes on Monday, Nov. 2 at midnight Central**
- **All presenters must register and pay for the conference**
- **Conference registration will open in February**

There are separate submission forms for "Workshops" and "Concurrent Session" presentations. After you select Workshop or Concurrent Session in the first question, the following questions will be relevant to the type selected. Be aware that because of this, the question numbering on your screen may not be consecutive.

Concurrent Session presentations are typically 30 minutes in length (including time for Q&A) and are grouped with other abstracts of similar technical content. In the program, a session lasts 1.5 hours and is composed of three presentations. Concurrent session attendance is included with conference registration.

Workshops are 2- to 4-hour courses that require a syllabus, course objectives and exercises. Workshops should be targeted at offering continuing education benefits for floodplain management professionals. Workshop attendees pay a fee to attend in addition to their conference registration fee.

Single or Multiple Abstract Submissions
Submit only one abstract per use of the link and work your way through to the end of the form. Please note: use of the back arrow in your browser may over-write your previous submission(s). To submit multiple abstracts (e.g., for a workshop and concurrent session or for multiple concurrent sessions), you will need to complete this form separately and in its entirety for each abstract. When complete, use the abstract submission link for each abstract separately.

Abstract Receipt Confirmation
The last page of the Abstract Submittal Form will include a confirmation that your abstract has been successfully submitted. If you wish to receive a copy of the content of your submission, please make sure to mark the checkbox and enter your email at the end of the form before clicking submit.

Instructions to Preview the Abstract Submittal Form
Without knowing all of the requested information in the abstract submittal form prior to beginning your submission, you may find you have not allotted enough time to complete your submission. Incomplete submissions must be removed by the conference program staff, which lengthens the abstract review process. Therefore, PDF previews of the forms are located below. With the PDF previews as a guide, you are encouraged to develop your abstract as a separate document and to paste the content into the abstract submittal form boxes. This will allow you to spellcheck your content and to retain a copy of your submission for your records. Be aware that

formatting such as underlining and bolded text will be lost in the form.

You can view a PDF preview of the questions on each form below:
Concurrent Session question preview
Workshop question preview

* 1. Using the definition of a *Workshop,* and *Concurrent Session* (above), which type of presentation are you submitting?

- ◯ Workshop (2 - 4 hour long course)
- ◯ Concurrent Session (30 minute presentation, including time for Q&A)

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CONCURRENT SESSION Submission Form

AN IMPORTANT NOTE:

Like previous conferences, the 2027 conference will be hybrid. This means that all approved speakers will pre-record their presentations and submit them ahead of the conference and deliver live presentations in Pittsburgh. The pre-recorded presentations will be played for the virtual conference attendees while speakers are presenting live for the in-person conference attendees.

ASFPM's expectation is that approved speakers will be able to physically attend the conference and submit a recording about two weeks before the conference. Potential speakers are encouraged to submit abstracts with the understanding that if conditions change prior to the conference, approved speakers can withdraw from the program. *If you do not want to record your presentation for virtual attendees and present live in-person, please do not submit an abstract.*

ASFPM publishes all recorded sessions after each conference to make the content accessible to the greatest extent possible. Having a complete record of the conference is important to our viewers and it amplifies your message to many more people. If your abstract is selected for the in-person program and you fail to submit your pre-recorded session in a timely manner, future abstract submittals may not be selected for the program.

Like previous conferences, there will also be a limited virtual conference track. Presenters for the live virtual track will have the option to deliver their presentations from a location of their choosing or from a dedicated room at the conference location in Pittsburgh. To accommodate the virtual track, there is an option in the submittal form to select whether you want your abstract to be considered for the in-person conference program only (including a pre-record submission), the live virtual program only, or whether you have no preference. Selecting "no preference" gives you the greatest chance of being selected.

EDITING

While completing this form, please keep in mind that if your abstract is selected, this information will be posted online and distributed to attendees to help advertise your session. ASFPM will post this information with as little editing as possible. If your abstract is selected for the conference program, you will be able to update your abstract with any new or changed information prior to the final program going to print.

SELECTION PROCESS

There is limited space available in the concurrent sessions program, and not all abstracts will be selected. Preference will be given to an abstract which, combined with other abstracts of similar focus, create a cohesive and relevant session theme. Selection preference will be given to non-proprietary tools and technology, so if this applicable for your submisson, please state if a tool is or is not proprietary. Since the

national conference is not the proper platform for a sales pitch, abstracts with an emphasis of promoting a product will be deprioritized for selection.

Notifications for selected and not selected abstracts will be disseminated by the end of January 2027.

HANDOUTS
Presenters who wish to provide handouts must do so at their own discretion and expense.

Remember, all conference presenters are required to register and pay to attend the full conference.

* 36. I understand that all selected conference presenters must register and pay to attend the conference.

- ◯ Yes

* 37. I would like to submit my abstract for the following:

- ◯ No preference. I would like the abstract to be considered for both the in-person conference and virtual track.
- ◯ In-person conference (also required to submit a pre-record)
- ◯ Limited virtual track only

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In-person Concurrent Session Question

* 38. I agree that if my abstract is selected for the conference I will present both in-person during the conference and pre-record my session at least two weeks before the conference.

I understand that failing to provide my pre-recorded presentation in a timely manner may negatively impact my chances of being selected in the future.

- ◯ Yes

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Preview Concurrent Session Submission Form Questions

How to Preview this Form First -- Instructions

Should you wish to review the required information prior to completing the submission form, you can preview the questions here.

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Only online submissions will be considered (the PDF previews are for review ONLY).

* 39. I'm ready to submit my topic now.

- ◯ Yes

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Presenter Information (*indicates required field)

Presenter: The Pocket Guide that is provided onsite has space to list the name of one presenter. This should be the person who plans to attend the conference and be the lead presenter. Additional authors and presenters will appear on the mobile app and narrative program which is made available online prior to the conference.

Insert the information for the lead/main presenter here.

* 40. Presenter

Presenter First Name:	
Presenter Last Name:	
Professional Credentials (example: PE, CFM):	
Title:	
Company:	
City:	
State (abbreviation):	
Country (outside of USA only):	
Email:	
Phone Number:	

* 41. Biography for Presenter

Biography must be in narrative format; resume format will not be accepted (please limit response to about 250 words or 950 characters)

42. Please list any additional presenters and their email address here:

Presenter 2 Name & Email:

Presenter 3 Name & Email:

Presenter 4 Name & Email:

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Concurrent Session Title (*indicates required field)

* 43. Please provide a suggested title for your proposed Concurrent Session in 12 words or less. Use a concise title that summarizes the content of your abstract.

If selected, ASFPM reserves the right to edit the title for clarity and print limitations. The title will appear in the conference brochure to help attract potential attendees to your concurrent session. Catchy, well-worded titles can help attract potential attendees to your session. Please do not use "all caps" for your title except for acronyms and names of organizations.

Example:
The New Elevation Certificate: What Every Floodplain Manager Needs to Know

Presentation Title:

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Concurrent Session Keywords (*indicates required field)

The conference will examine the challenges facing the nation as flood loss reduction experts share ideas and learn from one another. Presentations will be organized according to session themes. Each 1.5-hour block will consist of three related abstracts. Selected presentations will be combined with other abstracts with similar focus to create a cohesive session theme for each session block.

Please list up to five keywords that best categorize your abstract and separate them by commas. When using more than one keyword, the best descriptors of your abstract content should be listed first.

Keywords could include but are not limited to:

* 44. Keywords:

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Track Best Fit

* 45. In your opinion, which concurrent program track below is the best for your abstract? (**Select one**. If more than one track is possible, select the best fit. Your response aids the review process only and it is possible for your abstract to be reviewed for a different track.) If you need guidance on which track your abstract best fits, please refer to the track guidance document here.

- ◯ Arid Regions
- ◯ Dams & Levees
- ◯ Extreme Weather Trends
- ◯ Mapping
- ◯ Mitigation
- ◯ Modeling
- ◯ Natural and Beneficial Functions
- ◯ NFIP/Floodplain Management
- ◯ Post-Disaster
- ◯ Professional Development
- ◯ Risk Communication
- ◯ Stormwater Management
- ◯ Technology, Tools, Data, & AI
- ◯ Warning Systems
- ◯ Watershed Management
- ◯ Whole Community Approach

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Abstract (*indicates required field)

* 46. Please provide your presentation abstract, describing what topics will be covered. In your last paragraph, to enable the abstract reviewers to best understand the focus of your presentation, please explain what you hope to accomplish with your presentation by starting with "This presentation will...". Abstracts submitted should be 300 words or less.

Presentation Abstract:

* 47. Does your presentation require prior approval from a federal agency OR does your presentation require a co-presenter from a federal agency?

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

* 48. Will your presentation highlight a proprietary private company-developed tool, program, or process?

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

Proprietary private company-developed tool, program, or process

49. Do you understand that selection preference will be given to non-proprietary tools and technology and that the national conference concurrent sessions program is not the proper platform for a sales pitch (an exhibit booth would be better)?

- ◯ Yes

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Attendees and Audience (*indicates required field)

* 50. Using the guidelines below, please tell us what level of experience/knowledge your presentation is written for. Your response will not limit who may attend, but will help attendees to select the proper fit for their interest and experience.

Target Experience Level (attendee experience – introductory, intermediate, advanced?)

- ◯ Introductory = written for attendees with no previous (or limited) experience in FPM or the topic area
- ◯ Intermediate = written for attendees with some experience in FPM or the topic area
- ◯ Advanced = seasoned attendees with 10 + years of experience in FPM or the topic area

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Additional Comments

51. Comment (optional). Use this section to explain prioritization if submitting more than one abstract or to make something clearer to the abstract review team. Please limit any comment to 100 words or less.