

Goal 6: Support levee safety activities consistent with dam safety principles and interests.

A foundation for a National Levee Safety Program has been developed and continues to evolve. ASDSO supports the recommendations from the National Committee on Levee Safety for the development of a National Levee Safety Program. ASDSO recognizes that there are many similarities between dam safety and levee safety. Some state dam safety programs already handle levee safety issues. With the implementation of the National Levee Safety Program it is anticipated that additional state dam safety programs will have a role in levee safety. ASDSO therefore believes it should actively participate in the development of a National Levee Safety Program. The technical and administrative knowledge within ASDSO will be beneficial to the National Levee Safety Program.

Activities	Measures
<p>Communication:</p> <p>6.1.1 Develop a communication and membership involvement plan that describes intent and rationale for a progressive approach to addressing ASDSO role in levee issues to ASDSO membership. This will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key messages/talking points, tracking information about state levee safety programs, solicitation of opinions from membership on existing National Committee on Levee Safety recommendations, etc. 	<p>Levee communication and involvement plan developed</p>
<p>Coordination:</p> <p>6.2.1 Support the development of a national levee safety program and lead the coordination (ongoing) / development of a model levee safety program (if appropriate).</p>	<p>Implementation of the program.</p>
<p>Training:</p> <p>6.3.1 Identify logical points of inclusion of levee safety in existing & future training (ongoing).</p>	<p>Number of training courses that include levees</p>
<p>Data Collection:</p> <p>6.4.1 Partner with the USACE to serve as a conduit to the states to implement National Levee Database (NLD) for voluntary inclusion of information. This includes: existing information survey to states, etc. (ongoing)</p>	<p>Participate on NLD Steering Committee</p> <p>Funding provided to ASDSO from USACE to assist with NLD data collection</p>
<p>Strategic Partnerships:</p> <p>6.5.1 Explore additional strategic partnerships to support development of national and state levee safety programs. Includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Common messages, roles and responsibilities, joint lobbying, combining resources, etc. 	<p>Number of partnerships</p>