



Partners in Prevention

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Floodplain Manager Training Completed

FLASH Senior Vice President of Education and Technical Programs Mike Rimoldi conducted Certified Floodplain Manager (CFM) training last month at the offices of the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council.

Of the 24 trainees attending, 18 prepared for a certification exam the following day and several current CFMs participated for CEUs. Individuals achieve CFM certification through the Association of State Floodplain Managers (ASFPM) in conjunction with the Florida Floodplain Managers Association (FFMA).

“Achieving the CFM certification is an important benefit not only for the individual but for the community [the individual] serves,” Rimoldi said. “When a person becomes a CFM, it’s an important milestone for professional status, but the community also benefits because certifications like this serve as credit for jurisdictions in the Community Rating System (CRS).”

Achieving CFM status represents knowledge as well as personal commitment to ongoing development and regulatory duties within the community. Offered throughout the state three to four times a year, training days bring more individuals into the CFM program. With flood concerns affecting almost every community in most states, the need for trained floodplain management professionals is critical.