

Northwest Regional Floodplain Management Association (NORFMA)

Conference Call of January 6, 2009

Attendees:	Henry Hu	Chair
	Dianna Woods	Vice-Chair
	Alan Wald	Secretary
	Paula Cooper	Treasurer
	Taunnie Boothby	Alaska
	Monica Mannerstrom	British Columbia
	Mary McGown	Idaho
	Dan Sokol	Washington

Discussion Items:

Conference Committee: The facility near Centralia (Great Wolf Lodge) that might work out for the NORFMA 2010 conference is primarily a family theme park with water features. The rooms are set up in suites for family groups which might be too expensive for individuals attending a conference.

Other Items:

A general discussion of the proposed survey and comments from board members addressed language changes and proposed revisions. Board members will compile addition comments and get them to Henry. Henry would like to get it out this week, by Friday. There was general agreement that it could go out from Henry since he is the Chair.

Al distributed the prototype for an updated NORFMA webpage. Anna estimates it will cost about \$600 to draft and post the homepage and 5 additional pages. The original estimate was for \$200/page, but the revised estimate is closer to \$100/page because other pages aren't as complex as the homepage. Revisions and updates after the new website is up and running will cost \$20/hour. The annual fee for hosting the website on a server is about \$44/year.

The new webpage can also provide unlimited email for board members, i.e. Secretary @ Norfma. org.

After some discussion, there was general agreement to proceed with the updating and revision of the NORFMA webpage. Al will meet with Anna to outline the page material and current domain access.

There is a planned meeting of floodplain managers and local administrators in Salem, OR on January 14th. It has been suggested that NORFMA send someone to the meeting to explain what NORFMA is and could do in Oregon. Henry will at least participate by phone, particularly if we can't send someone to attend in person. Henry will check to see if there is a chance to meet with them on the 13th or 15th, in which case Al could attend.

The FEMA state coordinators meeting is coming up in February. It is a good opportunity for NORFMA to interact with regional representatives who will be in the area then. NORFMA could hold an evening board meeting on one of the days to get together in person.

Paula filed the tax return for 2008 with the IRS so our tax exempt status is still applicable. She has until May to file the same information with the IRS for 2009.

To-Do List:

Board members send comments on the survey to Henry.

Find a proposed date and time for a board meeting to interface with the FEMA state coordinators meeting.