

**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**

**Federal Emergency Management Agency**

[Docket ID FEMA-2014-0022]

**Committee Management; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

**ACTION:** Committee management; notice of federal advisory committee meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Technical Mapping Advisory Council (TMAC) will meet in person on Tuesday, July 25, 2017 and Wednesday, July 26, 2017 in Reston, Virginia. The meeting will be open to the public.

**DATES:** The TMAC will meet on Tuesday, July 25, 2017 from 8:00 a.m.–5:30 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT), and Wednesday, July 26, 2017 from 8:00 a.m.–5:30 p.m. EDT. Please note that the meeting will close early if the TMAC has completed its business.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the United States Geological Survey (USGS) Headquarters at 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston, VA 20192. Members of the public who wish to attend the meeting must register in advance by sending an email to [FEMA-TMAC@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-TMAC@fema.dhs.gov) (Attention: Mark Crowell) by 11:00 p.m. EDT on Wednesday, July 19, 2017. Members of the public must follow signs for the Visitor's Entrance on the U.S. Geological Survey Drive entrance of the USGS; once you pull into the Visitor's Entrance, facility security will direct you to parking and where to check in at the front desk of the visitor's entrance at the USGS. Photo identification is required. For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the meeting, contact Mark Crowell, Designated Federal Officer for the TMAC, at [mark.crowell@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:mark.crowell@fema.dhs.gov).

To facilitate public participation, members of the public are invited to provide written comments on the issues to be considered by the TMAC, as listed in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section below. Associated meeting

Upon finding a Canadian laboratory to be qualified, HHS will recommend that DOT certify the laboratory (**Federal Register**, July 16, 1996) as meeting the minimum standards of the Mandatory Guidelines published in the **Federal Register** on November 25, 2008 (73 FR 71858). After receiving DOT certification, the laboratory will be included in the monthly list of HHS-certified laboratories and participate in the NLCP certification maintenance program.

materials will be available at [www.fema.gov/TMAC](http://www.fema.gov/TMAC) for review by Wednesday, July 19, 2017. Written comments to be considered by the committee at the time of the meeting must be submitted and received by Friday, July 21, 2017, identified by Docket ID FEMA-2014-0022, and submitted by one of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- *Email:* Address the email TO: [FEMA-RULES@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-RULES@fema.dhs.gov) and CC: [FEMA-TMAC@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-TMAC@fema.dhs.gov). Include the docket number in the subject line of the message. Include name and contact information in the body of the email.
- *Mail:* Regulatory Affairs Division, Office of Chief Counsel, FEMA, 500 C Street SW., Room 8 NE, Washington, DC 20472-3100.

*Instructions:* All submissions received must include the words "Federal Emergency Management Agency" and the docket number for this action. Comments received will be posted without alteration at <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided.

*Docket:* For docket access to read background documents or comments received by the TMAC, go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for the Docket ID FEMA-2014-0022.

A public comment period will be held on Tuesday, July 25, 2017, from 3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. EDT and again on Wednesday, July 26, 2017, from 12:00 p.m. to 12:30 p.m. EDT. Speakers are requested to limit their comments to no more than three minutes. The public comment period will not exceed 30 minutes. Please note that the public comment period may end before the time indicated, following the last call for comments. Contact the individual listed below to register as a speaker by close of business on Friday, July 21, 2017.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mark Crowell, Designated Federal Officer for the TMAC, FEMA, 400 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20024, telephone (202) 646-3432, and email [mark.crowell@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:mark.crowell@fema.dhs.gov). The TMAC Web site is: <http://www.fema.gov/TMAC>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice of this meeting is given under the *Federal Advisory Committee Act*, 5 U.S.C. App.

In accordance with the *Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012*, the TMAC makes recommendations to the FEMA Administrator on: (1) How to improve, in a cost-effective manner, the (a) accuracy, general quality, ease of use,

and distribution and dissemination of flood insurance rate maps and risk data; and (b) performance metrics and milestones required to effectively and efficiently map flood risk areas in the United States; (2) mapping standards and guidelines for (a) flood insurance rate maps, and (b) data accuracy, data quality, data currency, and data eligibility; (3) how to maintain, on an ongoing basis, flood insurance rate maps and flood risk identification; (4) procedures for delegating mapping activities to State and local mapping partners; and (5) (a) methods for improving interagency and intergovernmental coordination on flood mapping and flood risk determination, and (b) a funding strategy to leverage and coordinate budgets and expenditures across Federal agencies. Furthermore, the TMAC is required to submit an annual report to the FEMA Administrator that contains: (1) A description of the activities of the Council; (2) an evaluation of the status and performance of flood insurance rate maps and mapping activities to revise and update Flood Insurance Rate Maps; and (3) a summary of recommendations made by the Council to the FEMA Administrator.

*Agenda:* During the two-day meeting, TMAC members will review and discuss the draft content for each of the three TMAC 2017 Annual Report topics: Flood risk management and mitigation, residual risk, and future conditions. The TMAC members will also deliberate and vote on recommendations and other implementation actions for each of these topics. A brief public comment period will take place beginning at 3:00 p.m. on the first day, and 12:00 p.m. on the second day of the meeting. The public will also have an opportunity to comment prior to any vote. The full agenda and related briefing materials will be posted for review by Friday, July 21, 2017 at <http://www.fema.gov/TMAC>.

Dated: June 26, 2017.

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