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Seth Wollard Named 2015 “George Riedel Floodplain Manager of The Year”

The MfSMA Board of Directors recently voted unanimously to honor Seth Wollard, CFM, of the City of Republic with the 2015 George Riedel Floodplain Management Award.

Seth started as a Floodplain Administrator for the city in 2010, and has been regulating development, issuing floodplain development permits, and generally assisting local citizens ever since. Mr. Wollard, always with an eye towards improving his community, hopes to enroll the City of Republic in the Community Rating System (CRS), where his efforts to go above and beyond the minimum National Flood Insurance Program requirements will pay big dividends to local residents.

The George Riedel Management Award was initiated in 2009 during the MfSMA annual conference. Named in honor of George Riedel, a key figure in helping to inaugurate the MfSMA organization and a leading figure in Missouri floodplain management, the award seeks to recognize outstanding indi-

vidual efforts and contributions for those who are leaders in helping to implement flood hazard reduction policies at the local level.

Mr. Wollard joins an august list of recipients of this distinguished award including Roger Connell-SEMA, Retired, Stan Salva- Jackson County Stormwater Commission, Teya Stice-Marion County, Rick Garner-City of Springfield, Scott Samuels-SEMA, Retired and Trent Bowers- City of Hollister. Congratulations, Seth, on an honor well deserved.



Seth Wollard and George Riedel

20th Annual MfSMA Conference Held April 8-10, 2015

The 2015 Annual MfSMA Conference, “Yesterday’s Disasters, Today’s Reality, Tomorrow’s Challenges - 20 Years of MfSMA” was held at Tan-Tar-A Resort in Osage Beach, Missouri from April 8-10th. With over 30 speakers from Missouri and neighboring states, there were a multitude of presentations that ranged from case studies of completed and ongoing flood mitigation projects to guidance for the local floodplain administrator on creating an emergency action plan. Various presentations from a number of the speakers will be uploaded to the MfSMA website soon. We would once again like to thank our sponsors, Amec Foster Wheeler, Stantec, HR Green, ADS, Surdex, Michael Baker International, Midland GIS Solutions, Horner Shifrin and BFA.



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The ASFPM Certified Floodplain Manager Program

The Association of State Floodplain Managers (ASFPM) established a national program for certifying floodplain managers known as the Certified Floodplain Manager program (CFM program). The program brings credibility to the profession and recognizes continuing education and professional development. This enhances and enriches the knowledge and performance of private sector, local, state, and federal floodplain management professionals. The CFM program lays the foundation for ensuring that highly qualified individuals are trained and available for floodplain management. The first National CFM Exam was introduced in May, 1999 during the ASFPM Portland Conference. Since 1999, over 12,000 CFMs have been certified nationwide. In the State of Missouri there are 160 Certified Floodplain Managers.

The CFM program covers a wide range of topics that include flood studies and maps, regulatory standards, ordinance administration, general floodplain management concepts, flood insurance, hazard mitigation, and the natural and beneficial functions of floodplains. CFM® is a registered trademark of the ASFPM Certified Floodplain Manager program and may only be used by Certified Floodplain Managers.

The ASFPM Certification Board of Regents (CBOR) oversees the national CFM program and exam. CBOR conducts reviews of the CFM Exam annually, a tradition since 1999. After years of consultation with subject matter experts from a representative cross section of the floodplain management profession, the CFM Exam questions have recently been restructured for consistency.

To prepare for the CFM Exam, SEMA floodplain staff makes available the FEMA-480 study guide. Contact Karen McHugh at karen.mchugh@sema.dps.mo.gov Ph. (573) 526-9129 or Linda Olsen at linda.olsen@sema.dps.mopublic.org Ph. (573) 526-9115. In addition to FEMA-480, ASFPM offers an Exam Preparation Guide: www.floods.org/ace-files/documentlibrary/CFM-Exam/CFM_Exam_Prep_Guide12.13.2013.pdf. To earn the CFM designation, the applicant must submit a completed application (available online at www.floods.org), pay the exam fee, and pass the exam. CFM Exam Fee: \$100.00 for ASFPM members (membership \$130.00/CFM Exam \$100.00 total \$230) or \$450.00 for non-ASFPM members

In the State of Missouri, the CFM Examinations are given at the State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA), located at 2302 Militia Drive, Jefferson City, MO 65101. The single exception is the exam given at the annual Missouri Floodplain and Stormwater Managers Association, Inc. (MfSMA) Conference. The exam registration – including the application fee - must be completed and submitted to the Association of State Floodplain Managers (ASFPM). You cannot register for the exam through SEMA. An application is available online at www.floods.org.

Future Exam Dates include:

August 6, 2015 Pre-Exam Training Workshop 1:00pm-5:00pm

August 7, 2015 CFM Exam 9:00am-12:00pm

November 5, 2015 Pre-Exam Training Workshop 1:00pm-5:00pm

November 6, 2015 CFM Exam 9:00am-12:00pm



CFM Exam Registrants Taking Exam April 10, 2015