

Bridging the Gap: Bringing Mitigation Practitioners Together Across Disciplines

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Agenda

- Opening Remarks
- What is NHMA?

Opening Remarks

- Hazard Mitigation as the foundation of decent, safe, sanitary, affordable and sustainable communities
- Working together instead of in parallel or recreating the wheel
- NAI principles applied to Hazard Mitigation in general
- Patchwork Quilt approach



What is NHMA?

NHMA WAS CREATED TO BRING TOGETHER THE VARIOUS INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS WORKING IN THE FIELD OF HAZARD MITIGATION.

The logo for the Natural Hazard Mitigation Association (NHMA) is located in the bottom right corner. It features the acronym "NHMA" in a large, bold, brown serif font. Below the acronym are two horizontal bars: a green one on top and a blue one on the bottom. Underneath the bars, the full name "Natural Hazard Mitigation Association" is written in a smaller, brown, sans-serif font.

NHMA
Natural Hazard Mitigation Association

NHMA Membership Includes

- People wanting to make a difference and work towards reducing losses from disasters
- Engineers, planners, floodplain managers, government officials, community activists, academics, practitioners, students, etc.
- People involved in building resilient organizations and communities



NHMA Goals

- Forum for professionals
- Source of training and technical information
- Voice for hazard mitigation practitioners
- Achieve a culture of mitigation
- Social component of mitigation
- Professionalization
- Develop more effective mitigation programs for the whole community

NHMA Activities

- MOU with FLASH
- Partner in the SUFC
- Tri-Chair for the National Mitigation Collaborative Alliance
- Testimony before state legislatures
- Workshops such as Patchwork Quilt
- Yearly conference beginning in 2010



NHMA Activities

- Work with ABA and APA
- Collaboration with ASFPM
- Active member list serv
- Comments provided on NFIP Reform, NDRF, and various technical publications.



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