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Course: L0320 - Hurricane Preparedness for Decision Makers Course – State Specific – South Carolina/North Carolina/Georgia

Course Date:

April 25-27, 2017

Location:

Bluffton Police Department
101 Progressive Street
Bluffton, SC 29910

Course Schedule:

Course Hours: Tuesday April 25, 8:30 am-5pm
Wednesday April 26, 8:30am-5pm
Thursday April 27, 8:30 am -4pm

Course Description:

Hurricane Preparedness for Decision Makers – State Specific is a three day on-site course intended to provide state and local decision makers with an understanding of hurricane hazards and available resources/tools from the National Hurricane Center (NHC), Local NWS Forecast Offices and FEMA to assist them in making timely decisions and other protective measures.

The course addresses hurricane forecasting with an emphasis on Hurricane Center forecast process, products and tools and the coordination with WFOs. A discussion on forecast uncertainty will be included. The course will include a description of the hazards associated with hurricanes, especially those specific to Hawaii.

FEMA instructors will provide an overview of the latest Hurricane Evacuation Study (HES). The course includes an overview and demonstration of HURREVAC, and culminates in a hurricane decision-making table-top exercise.

Course Objectives:

- Gain knowledge of tropical cyclone hazards and operational forecasting challenges.
- Understand that NHC forecasts have significant uncertainties that must be considered in emergency management decision making.
- Develop a better understanding of NHC products and services and how to utilize them in decision making.

Target Audience:

Local emergency managers, planners and operations officers that have hurricane related decision-making responsibilities.

Prerequisite:

Completion of the online EMI Independent Study Course IS-0324.a “Community Hurricane Preparedness”: <http://training.fema.gov/IS/crslist.asp>

Recommended:

Please be familiar HURREVAC. It would be ideal to complete the [Introduction to HURREVAC](#) module. Additional training is available on the [HURREVAC Guides and Tutorials](#) webpage.

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Students will be selected based on their jurisdiction and responsibilities. It is strongly encouraged that applicants serve coastal communities because much of the material is focused on storm surge and coastal evacuations. Students are expected to complete all course prerequisites, attend ALL sessions of the on-site course, and complete the final exam at the end of the course.

Students should make necessary arrangements to back up day-to-day duties while attending this course to ensure full participation. Those who do not attend all sessions will not receive an EMI course completion certificate.

Funding:

All funding will be the responsibility of the Student and/or their organization.

To Apply:

Prospective students should complete and submit the following form and completion certificate by email to your State POC listed.

- 1) A completed **FEMA Form 119-25-2, General Admissions Application (Short Form)** with the student signature and signature of supervisor or sponsoring agency official.
- 2) Certificate of completion for IS-0324.a “Community Hurricane Preparedness” (attach to application)
- 3) Visit www.scemdlms.org to register for the course.

FEMA General Application Form - SID number:

The SSN number is no longer required on FEMA General Application Forms. FEMA is moving towards eliminating the use of the Social Security Number (SSN #) on applications for any training sponsored by FEMA. **All applicants are now required to obtain an SID (Student ID) number, which will be used in place of your SSN# on your application form.**

How do I obtain my FEMA SID number?

- Step 1: To register, go to <https://cdp.dhs.gov/femasid>
- Step 2: Click on the “Need a FEMA SID” button on the right side of the screen.
- Step 3: Follow the instructions and provide the necessary information to create your account.
- Step 4: You will receive an email with your SID number. You should save this number in a secure location.

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