



# MOKAN CRS USERS GROUP

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### MOKAN Needs You!



**MOKAN is looking for a CRS energetic person or person(s) to come on board and lead the group into 2019.**

There is a lot of support for the group and great potential; we just need that one person to take the group to the next level. Let's connect and start planning 2019!

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### CRS Update You Need to Know

#### ANNUAL RECERTIFICATION

Updated schedule for [annual CRS recertification](#) is available at [CRSResources.org](http://CRSResources.org) for your reference. This new schedule is an update from the past due date of October 1<sup>st</sup>.

I would encourage you to put these dates in your Outlook calendar and set a reminder so that each year you are alerted to schedule. Adding an annual calendar reminder will assist you in completing your annual projects. Annual projects such as mailers, social media efforts, annual SFHA permit report, hazard mitigation plan and/or repetitive loss area analysis progress reports, etc.



#### 2019 3/5 YEAR VERIFICATION VISITS

I will be contacting communities they have their upcoming 3 or 5-year CRS verification at the end of the year to schedule your 2019 visit dates. A couple things to prepare for in advance of your meeting:

- Updated Program Data Table based off the activity within your regulated floodplain
- 310 EC- Your 5-year SFHA building permit report and coordinating finished construction elevation certificates and/or floodproofing certificates. Reference attached guidance and sample SFHA permit format
- 510 FMP/RLAA – If you are maintaining credit for your hazard mitigation plan and/or repetitive loss area analysis, you are now required to submit your annual progress report with your 3/5-year verification visit.
  - Progress report needs to review and address each flood action item for your community with a status; completed, no funding, ongoing, etc.
  - Required to be provided to your governing body and made available to the media and public
- Updating and adopting new building codes? Let's talk about the schedule of adoption.
- Updating and adopting your hazard mitigation plan? Let's talk about the schedule of adoption.

#### CLASS IMPROVEMENT VIA MODIFICATION

Interested in improving your CRS Class? Did you know you do not have to wait for your 3/5-year visit? You can start your modification at any time with verification of enough credit to get to the next CRS Class.

#### NEW CRS COORDINATOR?

I'm here to assist you with your transition into CRS. Let's chat about CRS, your community's CRS projects and what to expect in the program.



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## FEMA REGION VII



Hello MOKAN readers!

As you may already know, Andy Megraill has been promoted into the Risk Analysis Branch here in FEMA Region VII, and will no longer be working directly with the CRS program. Under Andy's guidance the CRS program in Region VII has grown significantly, and we appreciate his hard work and dedication, and the benefit his experience has provided. Andy has built a legacy in CRS that has reduced the cost of flood insurance for thousands of residents in Region VII!

Thank you, Andy. Your CRS contributions are greatly appreciated! With Andy's promotion, I have been asked to support the CRS program, so I thought I'd take this opportunity to introduce myself.

My name is Todd Tucker, I have a Bachelor's Degree in Landscape Architecture and a Master's Degree in Political Science. I have been with FEMA since March of 2010, where I began to review Hazard Mitigation Plans, and later joined the Floodplain Management team in October 2011. Since then, I observed damages from various natural disasters across the country, assisting communities primarily with Substantial Damage determinations and general compliance with the NFIP. Prior to joining FEMA, I worked 16 years as a professional Land Use Planner in various communities across the nation, implementing land use regulations, developing comprehensive plans, and promoting health, safety, land use compatibility, and risk reduction in site plan review and at the community scale. I've also secured grants, negotiated conservation easements, and developed parks and preserved open space. My experience also includes authoring/implementing various public policy that has preserved significant natural and cultural resources, supported community economies, and clarified various regulations and requirements. I feel that this provides some context from which, I believe, we can build on in CRS.

I look forward to working with you and thank you for the opportunity to support your CRS effort, reduce the flood threat, protect people and property, and reduce the cost of flood insurance in your community.

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## CRS Training and Support

What CRS training would you like to see in 2019? With access to local meeting rooms and webinar capability to reach everyone, help us plan some CRS training sessions.

Take the Survey and let us know what you think. Survey will end October 31, 2018.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DKP5VT2>

## Calling Communities Interested in CRS

The State of Missouri is hosting a CRS training session on CRS 101 and how to complete a Class 9 application. If you are interested in learning about completing a Community Assistance Visit (CAV), learning about the Building Code Effectiveness Grading Schedule (BCEGS) and what a sample CRS application would look like for a community. This will be a CRS 101 training opportunity and we will plan an advance CRS training session later in 2019.

Date: November 20, 2018

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

\*\*\*Registration begins at 9:30 a.m.

Address of the Venue:

754 MoDOT Drive

Jefferson City, Missouri 65109

Please send your registration form back to Karla Marshall ([karla.marshall@sema.dps.mo.gov](mailto:karla.marshall@sema.dps.mo.gov)) as soon as possible (before November 6, 2018). Please note that the CRS Workshop will NOT be held at SEMA headquarters!

## CRS Webinars

Take advantage of the CRS webinars that are available to you at no cost. <https://crsresources.org/training/>

All classes 1:00 pm Eastern/10:00 am Pacific

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| September 18 | Preparing an Annual Recertification                   |
| September 19 | Repetitive Loss Properties and the CRS                |
| October 16   | Preparing for a Verification Visit                    |
| October 17   | Developing a CRS Program for Public Information (PPI) |
| December 18  | Preparing an Annual Recertification                   |
| December 19  | Flood Insurance Promotion (Activity 370)              |

[Click here](#) and type "CRS" in the search field to view webinars that are now open for registration.

If you have questions about the CRS Webinar Series, please contact [Becca.Croft@atkinsglobal.com](mailto:Becca.Croft@atkinsglobal.com).

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