



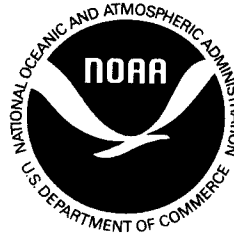
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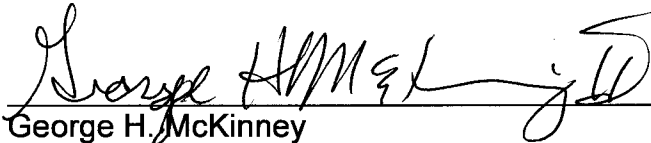
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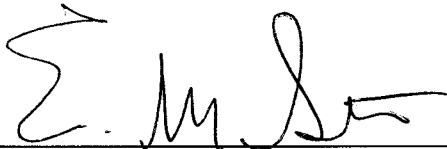
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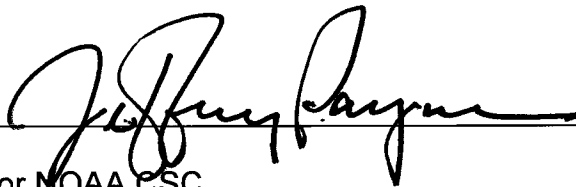
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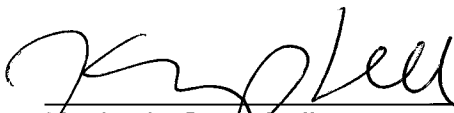


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Team Charter

Vision Statement: To increase coordination and efficiency between state and federal governmental agencies in developing comprehensive and sustainable solutions to flood and coastal risk management in the State of South Carolina and serve as a catalyst in developing comprehensive and sustainable solutions to flood hazard issues, including mitigation planning, flood hazard mapping, risk reduction activities, and response and recovery planning.

Mission Statement: The core agencies will establish an inter-agency team to communicate and work with other state and federal agencies to:

- a. enable the effective and efficient sharing of data and information,
- b. foster the leveraging of available agency resources,
- c. provide improved services to our mutual customers, and
- d. promote wise stewardship of the taxpayers' investment.

Goals

- 1.** Coordinate team efforts into the updates of the Statewide Hazard Mitigation Plan.
- 2.** Define a process to improve interagency communication and roles in order to improve flood risk outreach and better educate and advise mutual customers.
- 3.** Develop relationships to learn about partner agency programs, identify limitations and opportunities, and collaborate to work toward integrated, comprehensive and sustainable solutions.
- 4.** Involve the private sector to increase program comprehension.
- 5.** Ensure continuous collaboration for flood mitigation, response and recovery activities before, during and after flood events.
- 6.** Provide a forum for examining all types of solutions for flood risk management, including both structural and non-structural solutions.

- 7.** Create a multi-agency technical resource portal/database/website for state and local agencies to document and share information on current and future projects and initiatives.
- 8.** Improve flood hazard mapping and risk analysis and develop linkages to advanced hydrologic prediction models.
- 9.** Conduct studies, as agency rules, regulations and resources allow, using data and models that can be utilized by the team.
- 10.** Meet to coordinate action, identify gaps, minimize duplication of effort and strive for consistency

ROLES and RESPONSIBILITIES

The South Carolina Silver Jackets is an intergovernmental group and membership will vary based on available resources and team focus, however, the core member agencies will include the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), the US Geological Survey (USGS), the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), the US Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), the State of South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR), the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control,(SCDHEC), the South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT), and the South Carolina Emergency Management Division (SCEMD).

All commitments and participation by each Federal or State agency or organization in the actions and activities covered by this Charter is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds and budget priorities. Nothing in this Charter, in and of itself, or any decisions made by the team, obligates the parties to expend appropriations or to enter into any contract, assistance agreement, interagency agreement or other financial obligation.

As the intergovernmental team evolves, other State, Federal and local agencies may choose to participate in this initiative. All participating agencies will contribute experience and information to all team efforts as their respective rules, regulations and resources allow.

Initially, the lead agency will be the USACE. The USACE representative will maintain and distribute a contact sheet. With the support of a team consensus, the leadership role may rotate among the core members. The agency assuming the leadership role is responsible for organizing, coordinating and facilitating team meetings, as well as recording and maintaining final meeting minutes. The representative of the lead agency may request assistance in performing any of these responsibilities.

MEETINGS:

At a minimum, meetings will be conducted on a quarterly basis. Coordination between meetings may occur through email or teleconferencing. USACE will coordinate and facilitate team meetings. Meeting agendas shall be published at least one week prior to a meeting. Draft minutes shall be distributed via email for comment. Final minutes shall be distributed to all members.

DECISIONS

Decisions will be accomplished through team consensus (i.e., majority) after discussion. Each member agency is allowed one vote.

