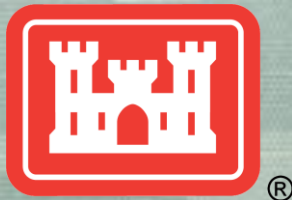


# Silver Jackets – Many Agencies, One Solution

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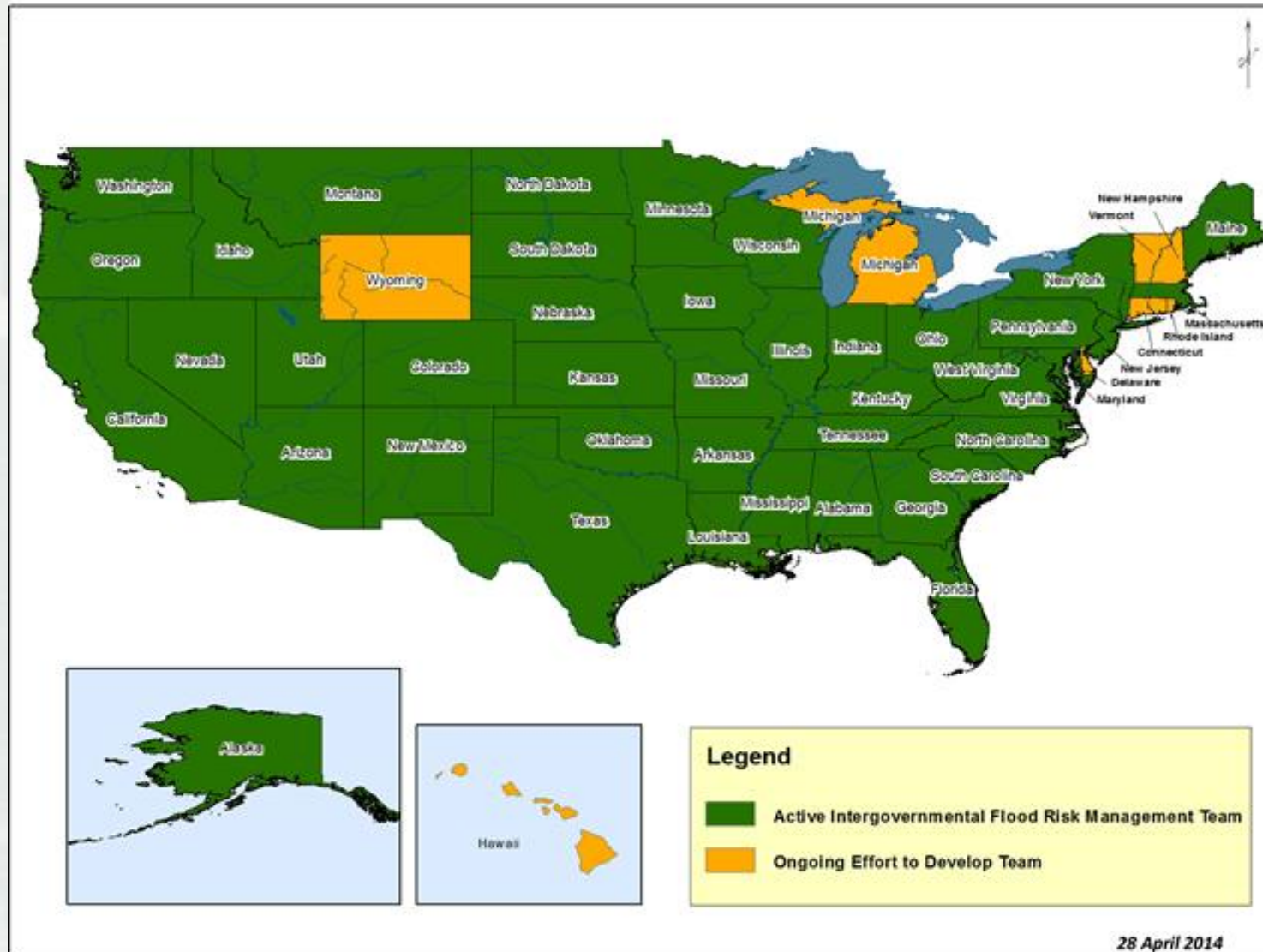


# Flood Risk Management and Silver Jackets

- The Corps of Engineers established the FRMP in 2006; intent was to:
  - Refocus programs, policies and expertise of the Corps to reduce overall flood risk
  - Facilitate dialogue at every level of government; via the Silver Jackets Program



# Active Silver Jackets Programs



# Who Are Silver Jackets?



Teams are developed at the state level with the support of the Federal partners. At a minimum, each state team includes a representative from:

- Federal Emergency Management Agency/DHS
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- State Hazard Mitigation Officer
- State National Flood Insurance Program Coordinator

TN Silver Jackets also includes many federal, state and local agencies that have an interest in flood risk management.

# Tennessee Silver Jackets Program

- TN Silver Jackets Kick-Off Meeting was held on September 17, 2013
- Tennessee Emergency Management Agency is the state lead
- Tennessee was the 40<sup>th</sup> State to join the Silver Jackets program
- Since then there have been meetings quarterly for listening sessions of agencies authorities and discussion of flood risk management in the state
- We will be submitting proposals for National Silver Jackets Funding for the State of Tennessee



# TN Silver Jackets Charter

## **Vision Statement:**

*Establish and strengthen partnerships at the local, state, and federal level as a means for developing comprehensive and sustainable solutions to natural disasters.*

## **Mission Statement:**

Through an interagency team of local, state, and federal agencies, establish a collaborative process to:

- Increase and improve flood risk communication and outreach.
- Facilitate strategic, integrated life-cycle mitigation actions to reduce the threat vulnerability and consequences of flooding in the state of Tennessee.
- Create or supplement a mechanism to collaboratively solve issues and implement or recommend solutions.
- Foster leveraging of available resources and information among agencies
- Promote wise stewardship of the taxpayers' investments.
- Develop a more comprehensive regional flood risk management strategy through participation in the Regional Interagency Flood Risk Management Team.
- Integrate mitigation into recovery actions.

## TN Silver Jackets Charter Signatories

<b>Title</b>	<b>Signatory</b>	<b>Entity</b>
Commander	LTC John L. Hudson	- Nashville District USACE
Deputy Commander	LTC Thomas D. Patton	- Memphis District USACE
Acting Reg. Admin.	Andrew Velasquez III	- FEMA Region IV
Director	David Purkey	- TEMA
Meteorologist in Charge	Larry Vannozzi	- NWS
Science Center Director	Scott Gain	- USGS
State Conservationist	Kevin Brown	- NRCS
VP River Ops	John J McCormick	- TVA
Commisioner	Bill Hagerty	- TN ECD
Commisioner	John C. Schroer	- TDOT
Commisioner	Rober J. Martineau	- TDEC
GISP Director	Dennis Pederson	- TN GIS Servicers
Mayor	Karl Dean	- City of Nashville
Mayor	Kim McMillan	- City of Clarksville
Mayor	Andy Berke	- City of Chattanooga
Mayor	Jim Coppinger	- Hamilton County
Mayor	Madeline Rogero	- City of Knoxville
Mayor	Mark Lutrell	- Shelby County



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# Tennessee Silver Jackets Charter Signing Ceremony



Tuesday, September 23, 2014