Hazard Mitigation (already designated for Individual Assistance and Direct Federal Assistance)

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 83.516, Disaster Assistance.)

William C. Tidball,

Associate Director, Response and Recovery Directorate.

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[FEMA-1137-DR]

West Virginia; Major Disaster and Related Determinations

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is a notice of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for the State of West Virginia (FEMA–1137–DR), dated September 11, 1996, and related determinations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 11, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Pauline C. Campbell, Response and Recovery Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646–3606.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated September 11, 1996, the President declared a major disaster under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.), as follows:

I have determined that the damage in certain areas of the State of West Virginia, resulting from Hurricane Fran and associated heavy rain, high wind, flooding and slides on September 5–8, 1996, is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant a major disaster declaration under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act ("the Stafford Act"). I, therefore, declare that such a major disaster exists in the State of West Virginia.

In order to provide Federal assistance, you are hereby authorized to allocate from funds available for these purposes, such amounts as you find necessary for Federal disaster assistance and administrative expenses.

You are authorized to provide Individual Assistance, Public Assistance, and Hazard Mitigation in the designated areas. Consistent with the requirement that Federal assistance be supplemental, any Federal funds provided under the Stafford Act for Public Assistance or Hazard Mitigation will be limited to 75 percent of the total eligible costs.

The time period prescribed for the implementation of section 310(a), Priority to Certain Applications for Public Facility and Public Housing Assistance, 42 U.S.C. 5153, shall be for a period not to exceed six months after the date of this declaration.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the authority vested in the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency under Executive Order 12148, I hereby appoint John McKay of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to act as the Federal Coordinating Officer for this declared disaster.

I do hereby determine the following areas of the State of West Virginia to have been affected adversely by this declared major disaster:

Berkeley, Grant, Hardy, Hampshire, Mineral, Morgan and Pendleton Counties for Individual Assistance, Public Assistance and Hazard Mitigation.

Jefferson County for Individual Assistance and Hazard Mitigation.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 83.516, Disaster Assistance)

James L. Witt,

Director.

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[FEMA-1137-DR]

West Virginia; Amendment to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice amends the notice of a major disaster for the State of West Virginia, (FEMA–1137–DR), dated September 11, 1996, and related determinations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 13, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Pauline C. Campbell, Response and Recovery Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-3606.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The notice of a major disaster for the State of West Virginia, is hereby amended to include the following areas among those areas determined to have been adversely affected by the catastrophe declared a major disaster by the President in his declaration of September 11, 1996:

Tucker County for Individual Assistance, Public Assistance and Hazard Mitigation.

Randolph County for Individual Assistance and Hazard Mitigation.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 83.516, Disaster Assistance)

Dennis H. Kwiatkowski,

Deputy Associate Director, Response and Recovery Directorate.

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Open Meeting, Board of Visitors for the Emergency Management Institute

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). **ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, FEMA announces the following committee meeting:

Name: Board of Visitors for the Emergency Management Institute.
Dates of Meeting: October 28–29,

Place: Federal Emergency
Management Agency National
Emergency Training Center Emergency
Management Institute Conference Room,
Building N, Room 408 Emmitsburg,
Maryland 21727.

Time: Monday, October 28, 1996, 8:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 29, 1996, 8:30 a.m.–12:00 noon.

Proposed Agenda: Work on the Board's 1996 Annual Report, the Board's Workplan for 1997, and status briefings on EMI's programs.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting will be open to the public with approximately 10 seats available on a first-come, first-served basis. Members of the general public who plan to attend the meeting should contact the Office of the Superintendent, Emergency Management Institute, 16825 South Seton Avenue, Emmitsburg, MD 21727, (301) 447–1286.

Minutes of the meeting will be prepared and will be available for public viewing in the Office of the Superintendent, Emergency Management Institute, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Building N, National Emergency Training Center, Emmitsburg, MD 21727. Copies of the minutes will be available upon request 30 days after the meeting.

Dated: September 15, 1996.

Kay C. Goss,

Associate Director, Preparedness, Training, and Exercises Directorate.

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Open Meeting, Board of Visitors for the National Fire Academy

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). **ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, FEMA announces the following committee meeting:

Name: Board of Visitors for the National Fire Academy.

Dates of Meeting: October 10–12, 1996. Place: Building G Conference Room, National Emergency Training Center, Emmitsburg, Maryland. Time:

October 10, 1996, 8:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m. October 11, 1996, 8:30 a.m.–9:00 p.m. October 12, 1996, 8:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Proposed Agenda: October 10–12: Prepare the 1996 Annual Report and Review National Fire Academy Program Activities.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting will be open to the public with seating available on a first-come, first-served basis. Members of the general public who plan to attend the meeting should contact the Office of the Superintendent, National Fire Academy, U.S. Fire Administration, 16825 South Seton Avenue, Emmitsburg, MD 21727, (301) 447–1117, on or before October 1, 1996.

Minutes of the meeting will be prepared and will be available for public viewing in the Office of the Administrator, U.S. Fire Administration, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Emmitsburg, MD 21727. Copies of the minutes will be available upon request 30 days after the meeting.

Dated: September 11, 1996.
Carrye B. Brown,
U.S. Fire Administrator.
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Privacy Act of 1974; Proposed Amended Routine Use; Disaster Recovery Assistance Files

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). ACTION: Notice of proposed amended routine use.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency gives notice of a proposed amended routine use to be added to an existing system of records entitled, FEMA/REG-2, Disaster Recovery Assistance Files.

DATES: We invite comments on this proposed amended routine use. Please submit written comments by October 23, 1996. The proposed amended routine use and other modifications to this system, as stated, shall become effective 45 days from the date of this publication, without further notice, unless comments necessitate otherwise. ADDRESSES: Please address comments to the Rules Docket Clerk, Office of the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, room 840, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472.

Comments received will be available for public inspection at the address above from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday (except legal holidays).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sandra Jackson, FOIA/Privacy Specialist, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street SW.,

Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-3840.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) published notices of systems of records on January 5, 1987, 52 FR 324; February 3, 1987, 52 FR 3344; March 5, 1987, 52 FR 6875, and September 7, 1990, 55 FR 37182.

By this notice we amend a routine use to permit disclosure of a record from the Disaster Recovery Assistance Files to agencies or organizations that are responsible for administering or obtaining information relevant to the implementation of floodplain management and other hazard mitigation programs. The agencies or organizations include Federal, State, and local government agencies, and volunteer organizations. The programs include property acquisition, relocation programs, elevation programs, or any other hazard mitigation activities.

Since the 1993 Midwest Flooding, there has been a substantial increase in the number of requests to FEMA for information on applicants for disaster recovery; such information is covered by the Privacy Act. Almost all requests are from State and local agencies to evaluate disaster damages and their impacts on communities, and to implement floodplain management ordinances and hazard mitigation measures. There is no clear routine use to release Privacy Act information for these purposes. Each request requires review and analysis on a case-by-case basis by the Office of the General Counsel and by the Human Services Division of the Response & Recovery Directorate.

The Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq. (Stafford Act), encourages floodplain management and other hazard mitigation measures to reduce losses from disasters, including development of land use and construction regulations. Section 404, Hazard Mitigation, of the Stafford Act authorizes funding for such projects.

The proposed amended routine use would enhance timely and efficient delivery of FEMA's all-hazards management because obtaining applicant assistance information, crucial to the implementation of floodplain management ordinances and hazard mitigation projects will be more easily

obtainable than now by those entrusted with those responsibilities.

In addition, minor modifications are being made to this system to change the name of the Disaster Relief Act to the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act; the System Location to the FEMA National Processing Service Centers under the purview of FEMA regional offices listed in Appendix AA; and to update the mailing addresses of FEMA Regional Offices listed in Appendix AA.

Accordingly, we revise FEMA/REG-2, Appendix A, and Appendix AA of the FEMA Privacy Act systems of records to read as follows:

FEMA/REG-2

SYSTEM NAME:

Disaster Recovery Assistance Files.

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION:

Unclassified.

SYSTEM LOCATION:

FEMA National Processing Service Centers.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:

Individuals who apply for disaster recovery assistance following Presidentially declared major disasters or emergencies.

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

a. Records of registration for assistance (FEMA Form 90–69, Disaster Assistance Registration/Application includes names, addresses, telephone numbers, social security numbers, insurance coverage information, household size and composition, type of damage incurred, income information, programs to which referred for assistance, flood zones, and preliminary determinations of eligibility for disaster assistance).

b. Inspection reports (FEMA Form 90–56, Inspection Report) contain identification information, and results of survey of damaged property and goods.

c. Temporary housing assistance eligibility determinations (FEMA Forms 90–11 through 90–13, 90–16, 90–22, 90–24 through 90–28, 90–31, 90–33, 90–41, 90–48, 90–57, 90–68 through 90–70, 90–71, 90–75 through 90–78, 90–82, 90–86, 90–87, 90–94 through 90–97, 90–99, and 90–101). These determinations pertain to approval and disapproval of temporary housing assistance: General correspondence, complaints, appeals, and resolutions, requests for disbursement of payments, inquiries from tenants and landlords, general administrative and fiscal information,