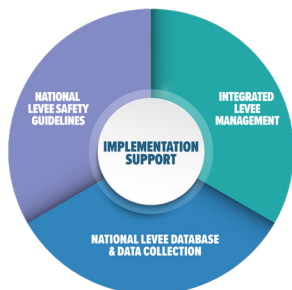


NATIONAL LEEVE SAFETY PROGRAM

Stakeholder Engagement Foundation of a National Levee Safety Program



One of the foundations of the National Levee Safety Program is robust stakeholder engagement with those who are responsible for, are impacted by, or have interest in levees and related policies including federal/state/local governments, tribes, levee owners/operators, businesses, floodplain managers and residents.

The goals for the stakeholder engagement process are to:

1. understand the needs of the stakeholders this program is intended to support;
2. provide opportunities for meaningful input to shape decisions and outcomes on program design, components, and products;
3. ensure that the unique challenges of disadvantaged communities and tribes are well understood and incorporated into solutions.

WAYS TO STAY INVOLVED

Visit www.levéesafety.org to find out more information about the program and to:

- » Learn about upcoming events and other announcements
- » Register for a webinar or in-person meeting
- » Sign up to receive email notifications of upcoming meetings and progress on the program
- » Submit online questions and comments about the program

STAKEHOLDER FEEDBACK

WINTER
2021

PHASE 1: GATHERING INITIAL INPUT ON PURPOSE & SCOPE

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU ON *the purpose and scope of the National Levee Safety Program to include:*

- Best practices for levees (design, management, community resiliency, etc.)
- The different roles and responsibilities related to levees
- What data and resources are needed to build a common understanding of levee benefits and risks

BEFORE WE MEET WITH YOU DURING PHASE 2, we will engage experts to:

- Collect and analyze all feedback received during initial scoping (Phase 1)
- Develop additional options and approaches for each of the program's key components (National Levee Safety Guidelines, National Levee Database & Data Collection and Integrated Levee Management)

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2022

PHASE 2: SOLICIT FEEDBACK ON PRIORITIES & OPTIONS

LET'S DISCUSS WHAT WE LEARNED *during initial scoping (Phase 1) and consider some additional options:*

- Sample Guidelines chapter/content, emerging issues, and cross-cutting themes
- Options and incentives to promote improved oversight and coordination
- Levee data collection strategy

BEFORE WE MEET WITH YOU DURING PHASE 3, we will engage experts to:

- Collect and analyze feedback received during Phase 2
- Develop draft products

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PHASE 3: SOLICIT FEEDBACK ON DRAFT PRODUCTS

WE WOULD LIKE YOU TO REVIEW *our draft products for key elements of the program:*

- National Levee Safety Guidelines
- Model Levee Safety Program Guide
- 5-year Implementation Plan

MAIN ACTIVITIES

- In-person stakeholder meetings across the U.S. and territories, leveraging locations with disadvantaged communities
- Virtual webinars
- Announcements in the Federal Register