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## NYS Community Rating System Resources

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### Technical Assistance:

- FEMA
  - o Regional Office, Region 2
  - o Online Independent Study training
  - o Emergency Management Institute (EMI)
    - 4-day in-person CRS course (E0278)
    - <https://training.fema.gov/emigrams/2019/1556%20-%20training%20opportunity%20-%20e0278%20nfip-crs.pdf?d=12/13/2019>
- NYS DEC's Floodplain Management Section
  - o Central Office Floodplain Management Coordinators
  - o Western NY Flood Hub
  - o Regional Floodplain Management Coordinators
    - <https://www.dec.ny.gov/lands/75774.html#Assistance>
  - o NYS CRS Users' Group (NYSFSMA)
  - o Regional Planning Agencies
    - [https://www.dos.ny.gov/lg/planning\\_agencies.html](https://www.dos.ny.gov/lg/planning_agencies.html)
  - o County Cornell Cooperative Extensions

### Guidance:

- FEMA
  - o Overview fact sheet (2-page)
    - [https://www.fema.gov/media-library-data/1584566648735-b8216fe96907ffae2399034acd4c8e92/NFIP\\_CRS\\_Fact\\_Sheet\\_2020\\_508OK.pdf](https://www.fema.gov/media-library-data/1584566648735-b8216fe96907ffae2399034acd4c8e92/NFIP_CRS_Fact_Sheet_2020_508OK.pdf)
  - o Small Communities in the CRS (6-page)
    - [https://www.fema.gov/media-library-data/1534966644297-c0fab027d48811267c3b9d53abf78178/Small\\_Communities\\_CRS\\_Fact\\_Sheet\\_FL\\_NAL\\_508OK.pdf](https://www.fema.gov/media-library-data/1534966644297-c0fab027d48811267c3b9d53abf78178/Small_Communities_CRS_Fact_Sheet_FL_NAL_508OK.pdf)
  - o CRS Application Letter and Quick Check Tool
    - Tool for documenting current activities
    - Calculating possible credit points
    - <https://crsresources.org/200-2/quick-check/>
  - o CRS Community Self-Assessment
    - Tool to help understand the risks and benefits inherent in floodplains
    - Which CRS activities may most benefit community

- Less than a day to complete
  - <https://crselfassessment.us/>
- Coordinator’s Manual (641 pages)
- Guides to Expanding Mitigation
  - Region II Risk Map Guides
  - Equity, Electric Power, Municipal Financing, Transportation, Public Health, Agriculture, Arts and Culture
  - <https://www.fema.gov/about/organization/region-2/guides-expanding-mitigation>
- Website with Multiple Resources
  - <https://crsresources.org/>
  - Other
- Association of State Floodplain Managers
  - <https://www.floodsciencecenter.org/products/crs-community-resilience/resources/>
- NYSFSMA CRS training page
  - Quick bites, deep dives, and resources
  - [https://www.nyfloods.org/content.aspx?page\\_id=22&club\\_id=735785&module\\_id=403819](https://www.nyfloods.org/content.aspx?page_id=22&club_id=735785&module_id=403819)
- NYS WRI Flood Resilience Cross Walk
  - Key Actions to Promote Flood Resilience for New York State Communities (CRS and Climate Smart Communities Program)
  - [https://wri.cals.cornell.edu/sites/wri.cals.cornell.edu/files/shared/FloodResilCrosswalk\\_v1.pdf](https://wri.cals.cornell.edu/sites/wri.cals.cornell.edu/files/shared/FloodResilCrosswalk_v1.pdf)
- New York State Floodplain and Stormwater Managers Association (NYSFSMA)
  - Recommendations to CRS Task Force from the NYSFSMA CRS (2016)
  - [https://www.nyfloods.org/content.aspx?page\\_id=86&club\\_id=735785&item\\_id=94071](https://www.nyfloods.org/content.aspx?page_id=86&club_id=735785&item_id=94071)
- FEMA Community Rating System: A Cost-Benefit Analysis for New York State Communities (2015)
  - Hudson Estuary Watershed Resiliency Project
  - Dutchess County Cornell Cooperative Extension
  - Interviews with representatives of 22 municipalities enrolled in the CRS in NYS
  - Help determine the challenges and opportunities that municipalities face in enrolling in CRS and maintaining certification
  - <https://wri.cals.cornell.edu/sites/wri.cals.cornell.edu/files/shared/Appendix%20C%20CRS%20White%20Paper%20Final%202015%205%2020.pdf>