



The Mapping Information Platform

Release 4.1 Service Pack 02

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

As part of its Flood Map Modernization (Map Mod) program, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) developed the Mapping Information Platform (MIP). The MIP is a state-of-the-art, workflow-based system and Web portal that contains a variety of information and tools used for the management, production, extraction, and sharing of flood hazard data.

In March 2009, FEMA consolidated the existing technology infrastructure created during Map Mod, including the MIP, under one Customer and Data Services (CDS) contract to support its Risk Mapping, Assessment and Planning (Risk MAP) program.

In an effort to update the current system infrastructure, MIP Release 4.1 (R4.1) Service Pack 02 (SP02) will finalize the implementation of a new workflow engine server for Amendments, Revisions, and Studies. This change will provide a solid foundation that will support requirements needed for the rollout of Risk MAP projects and products.

Below is a list of FAQs about SP02:

1. What is the MIP?

The MIP is an online tool that provides for the management, production, extraction and sharing of flood hazard data. It is accessible at <https://hazards.fema.gov>. The MIP functions as a project management and accountability tool by providing FEMA with Earned Value (EV) and mapping project status for accurate reporting to Congress and stakeholders. It also offers FEMA, mapping contractors, and the general public instant access to flood map status reports. The MIP workflows standardize and facilitate complex map production, amendments, and revisions processes, which help to ensure consistent and user-identifiable products. The MIP also includes a content and data management application that captures engineering and mapping data artifacts, such as base maps and topographic data, as well as provides long-term online access and storage.

2. What is SP02?

Release 4.1 SP02 returns the user interfaces for the MIP Workbench home page and Process Admin home page back to their appearance/functionality prior to the August 19, 2011 MIP Release 4.1 deployment.

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3. What is the timeline for SP02?

The target deployment date for SP02 is April 14, 2012 and system downtime is expected to continue through April 15, 2012. Additional user communications will be delivered to notify users of the exact times when the system will be unavailable.

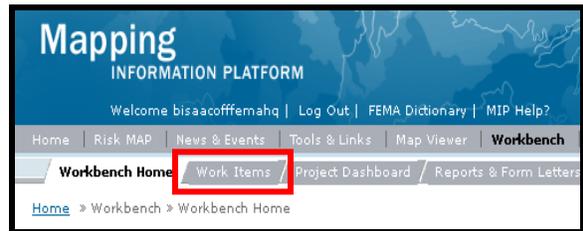
4. What are the changes?

The purpose of this release is to reverse the changes introduced into the MIP in Release 4.1, which enabled the smooth transition of Amendments, Revisions and Studies to the new workflow server that Release 4.1 implemented.

The additional *Work Items - Legacy* tab added to the MIP Workbench Home section will be removed. All projects will be accessible through the *Work Items* tab, as was the case prior to August 2011.



Before



After

The *Process Admin Home*, *Process Admin*, and *Process Admin-Legacy* tabs that are displayed upon selecting *Process Admin* from the main menu will be removed. When selecting *Process Admin* from the main menu, users will be sent to the familiar Project Search and Process Admin entry form.



Before



After

5. Where can I find out more about SP02?

Additional information about SP02 can be found online at <https://hazards.fema.gov>.

Please contact MIP Help at miphelp@riskmapcds.com with any questions.

