

Announcements:

- MIP Help hours returned to 8 – 5 pm Eastern as of Monday, May 12, 2008
- FEMA, the MIP team and FAFS will soon introduce a change that automates certain visual DFIRM panel checks. This deployment is currently scheduled for early June and there will be training available prior to the deployment.
- Slides used during the SP15 training on the open call can be found at hazards.fema.gov > MIP User Care > Training Materials > SP15 Overview

SP15 Training Questions/Comments:

Issue/Question	Answer
Are users still able to upload through the explorer, as opposed to zipping those files	Yes, users can still upload through the explorer. When you do, remember to return to the MIP to click the Validate Contents button to start the QA/QC process.
In the changes for the Determine Community Meeting Schedule task, what if you have more communities than the actual meetings, do you have to fill you the information for every community – even if only a few meetings were held (e.g., 27 communities and only 2 meetings)?	Users can just fill in for the meeting locations and later add the actual communities that attended those meetings. For this example, the user would fill the form out twice, and then later note the communities that attended each meeting.
When data is validated, it is sent to FAFS. Does it send the images at the same time (such as the RFIRM folder)? Would this impact an image file that is associated when the upload is larger than 500MB?	The submission is treated the same way, so all files are submitted at the same time. The associated imagery in the RFIRM submissions folder will be sent to FAFS for review.
I get notices from FAFS that they are not getting images, but they are in the J drive. Is there a problem?	If they are in the RFIRM submission folder (as a .png or .tif), they will go to FAFS. If FAFS does not have a record of these files, please contact MIP Help.

Additional Questions:

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If a Mapping Partner is assigned to do a Map Revision to an existing county-wide DFIRM that had a previous MIP study case number and went thru the SOMA tool in the MIP, will that SOMA information persist and roll to my new MIP study case number for the same community?	<p>The SOMA data is linked to each case so if a new case is opened, the SOMA tool will have a clean slate.</p> <p>Users should contact MIP Help with the old and new case numbers and the MIP Help team will move the data from the completed case and categorize all LOMCs as they were in the previous study.</p> <p>The MIP team will look at determining a more efficient solution for a future service pack.</p>