Individual Assistance Joint Preliminary Damage Assessment (PDA) & SBA Damage Survey

Individual Assistance joint PDA Team Assignments Form (handout)

Individual Assistance joint PDA Field Forms (older and newer versions) (handouts) Individual Assistance IDA and PDA Calculation and Summary Forms (older and newer versions) (handouts)

How will an SBA "damage survey" differ from a FEMA joint PDA?

- FEMA Individual Assistance joint PDA will assess only dwellings – the SBA will also include businesses.
- Each team will have only three players:
 - Local government representative
 - SBA representative
 - State representative
- As noted earlier, SBA uses only two categories:
 - Major (will include the destroyed)
 - Minor

Damage and Impact Assessment Resources

- American Red Cross
- Building inspectors, assessors, etc.
- Local public works officials/engineers
- Utility officials/engineers
- Hospital/care facility officials
- School district officials
- County health officials
- Special district officials
- County agents
 - importance of local team
 - importance of delegating
 - importance of local elected officials knowledge and buyoff

Exception: Catastrophic Events

- In a catastrophic event, state and federal declarations may come first and assessment second.
- "CNN Declaration"
- Various assessments will need to be done after the fact.
- Joint PDA for February 1996 flood event was completed after the Presidential major disaster declaration.