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# News from Region 10

## Mitigation Planning Webinar Series

The FEMA Region 10 Mitigation Planning team introduces the "Mitigation Planning Coffee Break Series". Each month we will cover a different topic related to mitigation planning. We will provide best practices, highlight work from tribes, states, and cities, and have guest speakers share their approach to various aspects of mitigation plans and mitigation planning.

While the series will cover aspects of FEMA mitigation planning requirements, the goal is to look beyond FEMA mitigation planning requirements and FEMA mitigation plans so that participants gain a broader sense of the purpose of a mitigation plan and how to create safer and livable communities.

The webinar series is intended for everyone involved in community planning both in the public and sector. This includes private community planners, emergency managers, floodplain managers, wildfire mitigation professionals, local and tribal government officials, contractors, and anyone involved in the development and implementation natural hazard of mitigation strategies.

For more information on the webinar series topics, contact Brett Holt, FEMA Region 10 Mitigation Planning Program Manager, at brett.holt@fema.dhs.gov.

## **2017 Mitigation Planning Coffee Break Topics**

Introduction to Mitigation Planning

Building the Mitigation Planning Team

Effective Public Engagement

**Developing FEMA Planning Grants** 

Performing Natural Hazard Risk Assessments

Integrating Natural Hazard Mitigation Plans (NHMPs) and Community Wildfire Protection Plans (CWPPs) Developing Natural Hazard Mitigation Strategies

Climate Adaptation and Mitigation Planning

Tribal Mitigation Planning

Addressing Social Equity through Mitigation Planning

Integrating Natural Hazard Mitigation Plans into Local Comprehensive Plans

Bringing the Mitigation Plan to Life

## Ask the Help Desk

The FEMA Region 10 Service Center is here to help local community officials and stakeholders with technical, training, mitigation, and mapping questions. Let us help! Send your questions to us via email at <u>RegionXHelpDesk@starr-team.com</u>.



**Online Training** 

(All times Pacific)

**Tools for Determining BFE** January 12, 10am Online\* - 1 CEC

Changes in the 2017 CRS Coordinator's Manual January 17, 10am January 18, 10am Online\* – 1 CEC

## **Featured Training**

#### Mitigation Planning Coffee Break -Introduction to Mitigation Planning

January 27, 10 am PT 1 CEC for CFMs

What is mitigation planning? What is a mitigation plan? Should you complete a mitigation plan only for a grant? Can you integrate the mitigation plan with other local plans? Join us as we provide an overview of mitigation planning and set the stage for all the upcoming 2017 topics. We'll look at different agencies involved in mitigation planning; describe the planning process; provide the benefits to mitigation planning; identify stakeholders involved in mitigation planning: and highlight resources and guidance for mitigation plan development and implementation.

CECs available for ASFPM CFMs. Registration is free, and required. Visit http://j.mp/starronlinetraining.

#### Hazards Hazus-MH Earthquake

April 10-13, 2017 Tumwater, WA

FEMA Region 10 is offering a free course providing an in-depth exploration of the Hazus Earthquake model and an overview of the earthquake-related inventory components. Emphasis is placed on defining techniques for an earthquake hazard. adjusting

Mitigation Planning Coffee Break -Introduction to Mitigation Planning January 27, 10am Online\* - 1 CEC

Introduction to CRS February 21, 10am Online\* – 1 CEC

**CRS and Repetitive Loss Properties** February 22, 10am Online\* - 1 CEC **Building the Natural Hazards Mitigation Planning Team** Feburary 24, 10am Online\* – 1 CEC

\*To register for online courses, visit STARR's training site online at j.mp/starronlinetraining, or email RXTraining@starr-team.com.

#### parameters for identifying economic and social impacts from earthquakes and interpreting and applying model outputs. Best practices for using the earthquake model to support emergency management are identified. Course instruction includes lecture, demonstrations and multiple hands-on individual and group activities.

This course is for Federal, state, local, and tribal emergency managers, as well as, GIS specialists, planners, and others who support flood mitigation and response activities and who wish to expand their Hazus-MH skills beyond those developed in the E/L0313, Basic Hazus-MH course.

For the full course announcement, visit <u>www.starr-team.com</u>.

## **NORFMA News**

### **CRS Users Group**

January 19 – 1-3 pm PT Pierce County SWM Tacoma Mall Plaza - 1<sup>st</sup> floor Directors Conference Room #109 2702 South 42nd Street Tacoma, WA

2017 will bring a new CRS Coordinators Manual and a full slate of Users Group meetings to understand the changes and support each of us committed to better floodplain management—and getting CRS credit for it!

## **Newsletter Ideas?**

Want to spread the word about an upcoming event or recent success story? Let us know what you to want to see in future issues!

Articles can be up to 500 words and may include pictures. Email <u>RXNewsletter@starr-team.com</u>.

Users Group meetings are held the third Thursday of the month each quarter. All meetings will be at Pierce County Surface Water Management office in the Tacoma Mall Plaza. At the January meeting, ISO Specialist Marlene Jacobs will be reviewing the changes to the CRS 2017 Coordinator's Manual.

The manual release has been delayed but is expected to be out soon and will most likely be used for your next verification cycle visit. So please attend and bring any questions you have about your community's needs and participation in CRS with you.

Meetings are available with audio and video feeds for those who can't attend in person. For more information, please contact Dennis Dixon, <u>ddixon@co.pierce.wa.us</u>.

