FEMA Hosts National Disaster Recovery Framework Tribal Nation Listening Sessions

Dear Tribal Nation Partners,

The National Disaster Recovery Framework (NDRF) was last updated in 2016. Looking back across the past six years of disaster activity, it is apparent that the nation’s approach to recovery and the importance of refining and improving upon our shared framework is critical to addressing the Nation’s most difficult immediate and long-term disaster challenges. We are now taking the important steps necessary to document what we have learned and apply these adjustments through the revisions that will be included in the upcoming 3rd Edition of the NDRF.

FEMA kicked off the NDRF update process with a series of visioning and listening sessions with FEMA and Federal partners from November 2021 – March 2022. These sessions provided valuable insight into five key focus areas where the NDRF team should focus our update efforts: Equitable Outcomes, Climate Resilience, Resource Alignment, Roles and Responsibilities, and Mission Integration.

Just as the NDRF represents the many partnerships which are critical to successful recovery, input from a broad array of our partners is essential to ensuring that the next NDRF contemplates the many sources of recovery resources that can be brought to bear to assist impacted communities after disaster. Therefore FEMA is seeking input from our tribal leaders to ensure the NDRF update will facilitate a more collaborative approach to disaster recovery.

We would like to schedule listening sessions with Tribal Nations on June 7th and 9th from 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm (Eastern) to ensure our partners have an opportunity to provide input for the 3rd Edition NDRF. Each session will be identical in structure.

Please use the links below to register for a listening session, which will be conducted via Zoom:

June 7th 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm (Eastern) https://www.eventbrite.com/e/national-disaster-recovery-framework-update-tribal-nation-listening-session-tickets-342292585337

June 9th 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm (Eastern) https://www.eventbrite.com/e/national-disaster-recovery-framework-update-tribal-nation-listening-session-tickets-342329244987

You or your team may contact our NDRF Project Co-Leads, Kimberly Torbert – kimberly.torbert@fema.dhs.gov or Tina Velcich – tina.velcich@fema.dhs.gov or the NDRF inbox fema-ndrf-2022-update@fema.dhs.gov to answer any questions you and your staff have about this initiative. Additionally, we have developed an avenue for partners to
provide feedback or input in addition to the listening sessions. We look forward to this partnership to build upon the NDRF’s strong foundation and to make it an even more effective resource for the future.

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