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CTP subcommittee call

Attendees: Alan Lulloff, Joanna Rohlf, Manuel Razo, and Brooke Seymour

Summary

The group evaluated recent conference feedback while coordinating technical webinar content and discussing potential software platform migrations.

Conference and Content Planning

Feedback regarding the Cooperating Technical Partners conversation indicated improved dialogue and engagement compared to previous events. Proposed webinar content for non-engineers focuses on practical 2D modeling and community-based perspectives.

Training and Webinar Logistics

Base Level Engineering training in Texas utilizes 5 distinct modules to educate participants on modeling and grant applications. The June webinar is tentatively set for June 24th to allow sufficient time for speaker preparation.

Platform Migration Considerations

Potential migration to a new software platform sparked concerns regarding the loss of current user engagement. The group decided to conduct a cost and functionality analysis before finalizing any platform changes.

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Decisions

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- **June webinar date and time confirmed** The June webinar is scheduled for June 24th from 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM Central time.
- **Virtual conversation date scheduled** The virtual conversation is scheduled for August 4th.
- **Electronic recording method adopted** Future meetings will utilize electronic recording methods to document participant input instead of physical flip charts.

We've **updated the Decisions section** using your feedback.

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Next steps

[Alan Lulloff] Contact Potential Speakers: Contact Will Lemon and Steve Noe to discuss their potential for presenting on FFRD.

[Alan Lulloff] Investigate Software: Verify with Jenna regarding the cost of Flood Zone software and discuss concerns about switching from Basecamp. Note: cost is \$119/month.

[Joanna] Invite Speaker: Contact Sydney Roberts to inquire about her interest in presenting on 2D modeling.

[Brooke Seymour] Invite Speaker: Contact Maria to inquire about her interest in presenting on 2D modeling.

[Alan Lulloff] Finalize Announcement: Work with Kevin to finalize the presentation announcement for June 24th.

[Brooke Seymour] Evaluate Attendance: Ask if other committee members felt the CTP conversation time slot negatively impacted their attendance during the next committee co-chairs meeting.

[Alan Lulloff] Discuss Webinars: Consult with Kevin about the upcoming announcement and the future of webinars post funding.

[Alan Lulloff] Contact Louis Greenwell: Verify committee support requirements for future webinar hosting with the supervisor.

[Brooke Seymour] Call Maria: Contact Maria regarding presenting on 2D modeling webinar.

[Joanna] Call Sydney: Reach out to Sydney regarding presenting on 2D modeling webinar..

Details

- **Conference CTP Conversation Review:** Brooke Seymour and Manuel Razo expressed satisfaction with the Cooperating Technical Partners (CTP) conversation held at the recent conference, noting that the group achieved significant engagement despite having limited physical resources like flip charts. Brooke Seymour noted that the earlier time slot for the CTP conversation was well-attended and worked better with their schedule, though they plan to verify at the next committee co-chairs meeting if this shift negatively impacted attendance for other committees. Alan Lulloff and Manuel Razo reflected on the session's success, contrasting it with previous events where they felt the conversation was overly led by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), whereas this session fostered better dialogue among participants.
- **FFRD and 2D Modeling Presentation:** Alan Lulloff identified Future Flood Risk Data (FFRD) and 2D modeling as the top topics from the Mapping and Engineering Standards Committee. Alan Lulloff spoke with Andy Bonner regarding a potential presentation next quarter, though this remains contingent on approval from David Bascom. Joanna and Brooke Seymour discussed the uncertainty surrounding FFRD, with Brooke Seymour questioning its regulatory applicability and similarity to private datasets. Alan Lulloff proposed inviting a mix of contractors and core personnel to present, suggesting Matt Mara from Dewberry and mentioning Will Layman as potential contributors. The group aims to secure a balance of perspectives, and Alan Lulloff will coordinate with potential presenters.
- **June Webinar Content Development:** Alan Lulloff discussed the development of an upcoming webinar on 2D modeling, noting that Bill will lead the creation of the

training materials. The team identified a need for real-world perspective in the training, which is intended primarily for non-engineers.

- **Guest Speaker Outreach for June Webinar:** To incorporate diverse perspectives into the June webinar, the group decided to seek guest speakers with direct community experience. Joanna agreed to contact Sydney Roberts, and Brooke Seymour agreed to reach out to Maria from South Carolina to gauge their interest in presenting. The team agreed that even a brief 5-to-10-minute contribution from a guest would be valuable without placing an undue burden on the presenter.
- **Base Level Engineering (BLE) Training in Texas:** Manuel Razo shared that Texas has full 2D coverage for Base Level Engineering (BLE) and is preparing an 8-hour BLE presentation. This training will consist of five modules covering an introduction to BLE, mapping, Geographic Information System (GIS) usage, modeling, floodplain management, and grant applications.
- **June Webinar Scheduling:** The group tentatively scheduled the June webinar for June 24th from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Central time. Alan Lulloff will work with Kevin to prepare and distribute the announcement, noting that they will tentatively proceed with the 24th while keeping the 25th as a backup if needed. Alan Lulloff plans to feature Bill and himself as speakers, with the possibility of adding guest presenters if they become available.
- **Virtual CTP Conversation Planning:** Joanna planned a future virtual CTP conversation for August 4th, as other proposed dates in July were unavailable due to conflicting schedules, vacations, and conferences.
- **Software Collaboration Platforms (Flood Zone vs. Base Camp):** The group discussed the potential migration from Base Camp to a software called Flood Zone. Brooke Seymour expressed significant hesitation regarding the switch, citing that Base Camp usage is finally gaining momentum and adoption among the 100-plus users. Alan Lulloff noted that basecamp reportedly costs approximately \$1,000 per year and agreed to consult with Jenna to investigate the costs and functionality before making any decisions.
- **Subcommittee Engagement and Sustainability:** The participants explored strategies to maintain the momentum of the CTP subcommittee and webinars regardless of future funding or administrative changes. The group discussed adopting electronic documentation methods for future meetings, such as recording input anonymously to encourage participation, as an alternative to physical flip charts. Alan Lulloff committed to discussing the long-term future of the webinars and subcommittee with Kevin and Louis Greenwell.

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