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CTP subcommittee call

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Summary

Programming and Funding Strategies

Discussion focused on the monthly CTP subcommittee calls and quarterly webinars. In addition , the co-chairs would be responsible for webinar topic and speakers. The next webinar “Future of Flood Risk Data” was discussed as well as the implications of reduced grant funding on program capacity. Participants identified a need for increased technical coordination.

Timeline and Regulatory Constraints

Strict grant application deadlines and regional constraints created significant scheduling pressure.

Decisions

Aligned

- **Webinar coordination responsibilities transferred** It was suggested that the M&ES co-chairs and ctp subcommittee co-chairs assume responsibility for coordinating speakers and dates for future webinars, while ASFPM staff will continue to provide support for Zoom and registration logistics.
- **Platform transition to Flood Zone** The subcommittee will transition from Base Camp to the Flood Zone platform upon the expiration of Base Camp funding, creating a dedicated group that permits non-member access to maintain the current participation model.

- **Webinar registration process maintained** The team will continue to utilize the existing Zoom-based registration process for future webinars.
- **August 4th CTP virtual conversation scheduled** The CTP virtual conversation is set to take place on August 4th.
- **Basecamp utilized for NOFO support** The team will utilize Basecamp to facilitate support conversations regarding the NOFO.

Next steps

[Joanna, Manny, Brooke, Glenn] Secure Webinar Speakers: Recruit speakers for quarterly webinars after September. Identify and coordinate with presenters to maintain the current webinar series.

[Joanna, Manny, Brooke, Glenn] Schedule Monthly Calls: Organize and manage regular committee meetings.

[Louie Greenwell] Provide Flood Zone Training: Schedule a dedicated session to train committee members on logging in, creating profiles, and using discussion features within the platform.

[Joanna, Manny, Brooke, Glenn] Seek FEMA Approval: Request guidance from Federal Emergency Management Agency representatives regarding the topic Future Flood Risk Data for the webinars for this quarter.

[The group] Post NOFO Discussion: Initiate a discussion on Basecamp regarding the Notice of Funding Opportunity to support Cooperating Technical Partners.

[Joanna] Send Meeting Invite: Send a calendar invite to Cooperating Technical Partners for the virtual conversation scheduled on August 4th.

[Alan Lulloff] Contact Andy Bonner: Contact Andy Bonner to request his participation in the upcoming webinar and facilitate his approval from David Bascom.

Details

- **Meeting Introduction and Roles:** Alan Lulloff welcomed participants and introduced Louie Greenwell, who will provide support to the committee following Alan Lulloff's retirement. The group confirmed that Glenn Heistand and Brooke Seymour serve as co-

chairs of the Mapping and Engineering Standards Committee, while Manuel Razo and Joanna Wolf lead the subcommittee.

- **Transition of Subcommittee Support:** Following the conclusion of FEMA funding for webinar and monthly call coordination in September, ASFPM will continue to handle webinar technical logistics, including Zoom management, invitations, and registration. The co-chairs will be responsible for content, including selecting speakers and scheduling dates. Kevin will continue to assist with compiling and distributing answers to questions after webinars.
- **Webinar Programming Strategy:** Alan Lulloff suggested that to ensure a consistent stream of speakers, the committee should invite Cooperating Technical Partners (CTPs) and state representatives to present on their successful projects and mapping programs. This peer-to-peer approach aims to fill the schedule and provide valuable insights into mapping programs.
- **Transition from Basecamp to Flood Zone:** The committee plans to transition from using Basecamp to the "Flood Zone" platform. While Flood Zone currently lacks the automatic email notification feature present in Basecamp, developers are actively working on adding this functionality. Membership in the Association of State Floodplain Managers (ASFPM) is not a requirement for using Flood Zone, provided participants have an account. The committee intends to maintain the current access model, which allows non-members to participate.
- **Flood Zone Implementation and Training:** The co-chairs will act as moderators for the Flood Zone group, with the ability to manage discussions and schedule meetings. To ensure a smooth transition, the committee will schedule a dedicated training session for members to learn how to log in, set up profiles, and participate in discussions.
- **Management of Monthly Calls:** Moving forward, the co-chairs, rather than Alan Lulloff, will be responsible for scheduling and managing monthly calls. The committee intends to continue using an AI-based tool to generate meeting summaries, a practice that has been successfully utilized in recent sessions.
- **Webinar Registration and Funding:** While webinars are currently free, Louie Greenwell noted the possibility of implementing registration fees for non-members in the future, though no immediate changes to the process are planned. The committee will continue to use Zoom for webinar setup as they have previously.
- **Upcoming Webinar Topic: Future of Flood Risk Data (FFRD):** The group identified the "Future of Flood Risk Data" (FFRD) as the primary topic for the next webinar. Alan Lulloff discussed potential speakers, including Steve Noe, who has conducted FFRD pilot

projects, and suggested inviting the Army Corps of Engineers or Andy Bonner to provide diverse perspectives. Manuel Razo emphasized the need for clarity regarding the regulatory status of FFRD, noting that only Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) currently dictate insurance mandates.

- **Update on FEMA and NASA Coordination:** Brooke Seymour provided an update from a meeting with FEMA representatives, including Liz Ash and David Bascom. The meeting focused on opening communication channels and reviving the "operating partners" meetings. FEMA indicated that while the current CTP grant funding is lower than expected, they intend to increase support in the future and are focused on integrating CTPs into the development of FFRD guidance.
- **CTP Grant Funding and Capacity:** The committee discussed concerns regarding the fiscal year 2026 Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO). Participants noted that funding levels are lower than in previous years, forcing some CTPs to reduce capacity or prioritize program management over new data development projects.
- **Technical Strategy for FFRD:** Glenn Heistand shared that they are independently leveraging public GitHub repositories and AI tools to analyze FFRD technical frameworks. This proactive approach helps them prepare for FFRD integration, despite a current lack of direct guidance or feedback from FEMA.
- **Regional NOFO Review and Scheduling:** Brooke Seymour noted that the review of the NOFO is contingent upon the specific region and acknowledged that some regions may require it earlier than the projected date of August 17th. Brooke Seymour and Joanna discussed the difficulties of meeting a deadline for initial drafts, concluding that it would be challenging to pull together by that time.
- **Basecamp Usage and Regional Constraints:** Manuel Razo suggested utilizing Basecamp to post questions or discuss the NOFO, given that teams were instructed to focus on closing out current projects rather than initiating new ones. Manuel Razo explained that Region 6 has received unique permission to work on a "prelim" project, which is a departure from previous practices.
- **Project Completion Timeline:** Due to the fact that Brooke Seymour will be attending the NAFSMA conference the following week and will be on vacation for the two weeks after that, Brooke Seymour indicated that she will need to complete tasks by the end of the current week. The group agreed to schedule a discussion for August 4th and to initiate conversation regarding the project.

- **Conference Attendance:** Glenn Heistand announced that he would not be attending the NAFSMA conference this year as originally planned. Glenn Heistand explained that he needs to stay home to focus on completing the NOFO rather than traveling to Maryland.
- **Webinar Coordination and Approval:** Alan Lulloff proposed reaching out to Andy Bonner to see if they could participate and speak at an upcoming webinar. Alan Lulloff noted that they would contact Andy Bonner first, as this would allow Andy Bonner time to coordinate with David Bascom to secure the necessary approval for attendance. Brooke Seymour agreed that this was a sound approach.
- **August 4th CTP Virtual Conversation Planning:** Joanna committed to sending out an invitation for the CTP virtual conversation scheduled for August 4th. Brooke Seymour recommended keeping the agenda flexible, noting that the meeting should focus on addressing questions and helping participants prepare their applications rather than creating a highly structured plan.

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