

**Meeting Notes of Kickoff Conference Call
San Diego / Imperial County HAZUS User Group
March 24, 2008 12:30 PST**

Attendees:

Bruce Ferguson	Nolte Associates
Rich Davis	Western Disaster Center
Jamie Caplan	Jamie Caplan Consulting
Ken Leep	California Emergency Management
Mark Seits	HDR, Inc.
Paul Hardwick	SDSU Research Foundation
Cid Tesoro	County of San Diego
Drew Decker	USGS
Zach Leigh	MCB Camp Pendleton
Michelle Boivin	MCB Camp Pendleton
Lan Nelson	Nolte Associates
Lisa Lubeley	DUDEK
Vincent Brown	FEMA Headquarters
Heather Duarte	PBS&J

Projects and Data:

Paul Hardwick

- Involved in fire mapping of economic loss
- SD Regional Infrastructure project
- San Diego County looking to add economic losses from HAZUS to current fire analysis tool.

Ken Leep

- High velocity / high flows and alluvial debris flow hazards are at least a year away as a hazard in HAZUS
- No current plan to incorporate fire hazard
- Data management can be a challenge with various datasets available of different quality
- CAL-ATLAS (<http://www.atlas.ca.gov>) is a good place for centralized California data

Heather Duarte

CDMS is a seamless route to interface data

Drew Decker

Border Imagery collection project is scheduled to collect one foot color aerial photos between 30 miles north of the US / Mexico border and 10 miles south. The project should be complete by the end of the summer and released to the public some time after that.

Software:

Patch 3 dies around April will work with ArcGIS 9.3. The next release is due this summer.

Outreach:Bruce Ferguson

Suggested reaching out to Imperial County for HAZUS HUG. There was broad support on this. The San Diego HUG has a presence on <http://www.hazus.org/SanDiegoHUG/> and <http://www.usehazus.com/sdhug/>

Heather Duarte

Suggested reaching out and coordinating with the Floodplain Management Association and ASFPM

Training:

The UG will look into bringing in more local HAZUS training. There is a 1-day HAZUS training at CalGIS, there are still a number of seats available. Virtual ESRI Campus courses available on training.esri.com. Training is also available at Emergency Management Institute in Maryland. http://www.fema.gov/plan/prevent/hazus/hz_training.shtm

Next Meeting:

April 28th, 10 am Pacific Time
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