



January 15, 2013

# Hazus User Group Call

## Agenda

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- Welcome
  - Kathleen Goulding, CDS Team
- Hazus Updates
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- HERC Revival
  - Christina Tierno, CDS Team
- National Capitol Region (NCR) User Group Revival
  - Cynthia McCoy, FEMA Region III
  - Jenna McGee, AMEC
- Hazus Training Course Updates
  - Christina Tierno, CDS Team
- Updates from User Groups/Regions

Note: This call is being recorded and will be available on iTunes

## Hazus Updates

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- There is a new [fema.gov](http://fema.gov) webpage dedicated to information on the Hazus Help Desk. This site has Hazus FAQs and solutions to problems Users have identified
  - Visit [www.fema.gov/hazushelpdesk](http://www.fema.gov/hazushelpdesk)
- Hazus course E0296 - Application of Hazus-MH for Risk Assessment – scheduled for January 14-17 has been canceled due to low enrollment
- Hazus course E0179 - Application of Hazus-MH for Disaster Operations – scheduled for January 28-31 needs more participants or else it's in danger of being canceled
  - If anyone is interested in attending this course, please email [hazus@arcaspicio.com](mailto:hazus@arcaspicio.com)

## Hazus Updates (Continued)

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- The Transportation Research Board (TRB) annual meeting is taking place this week (January 13-17) in Washington, DC
- Eric Berman and Vince Brown (FEMA) both gave presentations on the first day of the meeting
  - Eric Berman's presentation topic was: **20 years of Hazus—the Standard Loss Estimation and Damage Assessment Tool of FEMA**
  - Vince Brown's presentation topic was: **Tools That Can Help DOTs Evaluate Infrastructure Investments and Transportation Applications: Improved Ways to Engage Communities**

## Hazus Higher Education Resources Consortium (HERC) Revival

- Purpose: to promote the use of Hazus in higher education and provide network opportunities for Hazus users
  
- There have been discussions about reviving the HERC
  - Some of the Hazus User Group leaders will start a discussion on the revival of the HERC
  - The goals, leaders, participants and next steps still need to be defined
  - If any other members are interested in participating, please email [hazus@arcaspicio.com](mailto:hazus@arcaspicio.com) and we will include you in future discussions

## National Capitol Region (NCR) Hazus User Group Revival

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- Cynthia McCoy (FEMA Region III) and Jenna McGee (AMEC) have partnered to revive the NCR HUG.
  - Created the NCR HUG LinkedIn Site
    - [http://www.linkedin.com/groups/National-Capitol-Region-HAZUS-User-4790251?home=&gid=4790251&trk=anet\\_ug\\_hm](http://www.linkedin.com/groups/National-Capitol-Region-HAZUS-User-4790251?home=&gid=4790251&trk=anet_ug_hm)
  - Increasing the number of HAZUS resources on the NCR HUG Use HAZUS Site
    - <http://www.usehazus.com/ncrhug>
  - Planning the first NCR HUG call in early February
  - Interested? Please take a Survey to indicate when you are available for the first call, + ideas for your vision of the NCR HUG.
    - <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/6YCDG3P>

## Hazus Training Course Updates

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- The CDS Team is working on updating the Hazus classroom-based EMI training courses, with support from the Polis Center
- The tentative timeframe for these updated courses to be available is late Spring / early Summer. Once more details are available, we will update Hazus users
- The following classroom-based courses will be updated to Hazus 2.1 and Service Pack 1
  - E0313: Basic Hazus
  - E0172: Hazus for Floods
  - E0190: ArcGIS for Emergency Managers
  - E0170: Hazus for Hurricanes
  - E0174: Hazus for Earthquakes
  - E0176: Hazus for Floodplain Management
  - E0179: Hazus for Disaster Operations
  - E0296: Using Hazus for Risk Assessment
  - E0317: Comprehensive Data Management for Hazus-MH

## Updates from User Groups / Regions

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## Closing Remarks

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- The next call will be held on February 12<sup>th</sup> 2012 at 3pm EST
- Meeting minutes from this call will be available on the LinkedIn Hazus group
- A free podcast (recording) of this call will be available on iTunes – search for Hazus Community

We welcome your ideas and suggestions for future calls. Please email these to us at [hazus@arcaspicio.com](mailto:hazus@arcaspicio.com). Thank you for joining the call today.