

## Northeast Region Hazus User Group (NEHUG) – Agenda

Objective: NEHUG Kickoff Meeting

Date: January 30, 2013

Time: 2pm

*Thanks everyone for a great first meeting of the New Year! Looking forward to great advancements through this collaborative effort! There wasn't much in the way of minutes because we are just getting started again. Please let me know if you have ideas, questions or know someone you'd like to have as a presenter! - Eric*

### **Action Items:**

- **Poll members thru Doodle and set next bi-monthly meeting**
- **Individuals interested in joining the NEHUG to email Eric Eidswick (james.eidswick@fema.dhs.gov) and ponder for next meeting:**
  - *What goals & objectives do you see that will further Hazus within the Region?*
  - *What role and resources can you offer (no obligation)?*
  - *Specifically what training do you believe is needed?*
- **Identify the next speaker/presenter for next meeting (Paul/Eric)**

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1. Introductions/What is your role and interest in Hazus?
2. State of the Hazus User Community – Statement by Brandon Chiazza, National Hazus Outreach Associate
3. NEHUG Mission Statement – (see Page 2)
  - a. Discussion
    - i. What goals & objectives do you see that will aid the Mission?
    - ii. What role and resources can you offer (no obligation here)?
    - iii. Specifically what training do you believe is needed?
4. Presentation by Northeast States Emergency Consortium (NESEC) – Ed Fratto or Ben Silverstein
5. Questions / Comments for the Good of the Order?
6. Set the Next Meeting

## **NEHUG Mission Statement**

**Mission:** *Attract and engage a diverse group of regional stakeholders, including both users and consumers, committed to collaborating for the integration and advancement of Hazus loss estimation software and results in the support of sustainable, disaster-resilient communities within FEMA Region I through the following activities:*

***Implement*** FEMA's HAZUS-MH loss-estimation software and results in all six FEMA Region I states,

***Provide*** training to our regional stakeholders to advance the level of analyses across the region, improve state hazard mitigation plans and aid in the efficient consumption of modeling results,

***Develop*** partnerships with regional and national research laboratories, universities, corporations, utilities, nonprofit organizations, government agencies (federal, state, local & tribal), and other interested parties,

***Use*** results generated from HAZUS-MH pilot projects for mitigation planning to meet the requirements of mandatory Disaster Mitigation Act (DMA) 2000 mitigation plan development,

***Organize*** the NEHUG to use HAZUS and share results from scenario exercises and response situations, and

***Share*** project successes regionally, nationally and internationally.