Meeting Summary – Thursday October 1st at 2:30pm

Opening Remarks

Chair Kenny LaPoint (OHCS) opened the meeting at 2:30 p.m. He noted the role of the ODHTF in supporting local government efforts. He talked about utilizing Regional Solutions as the body closer to the local level. He talked about how SMEs will be utilized and about doing this work through an equable lens. Kenny discussed how low-income populations are disproportionately affected by the recent windstorm-wildfire event.

• <u>OEM Damage Assessment Brief – Stan Thomas</u>

Stan Thomas (OMD-OEM) gave a situation and damage update. He talked about how the action is shifting from response to recovery. He talked about the phases of recovery as noted in the Oregon Disaster Recovery Plan (ODRP): short-term, intermediate, and long-term. He talked about the Debris Removal Task Force. He talked about the joint Preliminary Damage Assessment (joint PDA) that is occurring this week to gain good estimates of the damage, impacts, and costs associated with public infrastructure.

FEMA Update/Sheltering and Housing Field Teams Update (AJ)

Anita "AJ" Jeanette (FEMA) noted that the Sheltering Housing Field Team (SHFT) has made no recommendations; data is still lacking; there will be more information as more registrations for assistance are made by people affected by the windstorm-wildfire event. Director Salazar asked AJ for more information, including a description of what a "direct housing mission" entails. AJ talked about the various options that are included under direct housing.* AJ took and addressed several questions.

There was a long discussion about the Latinx community and how best to do outreach. Martin Campos asked AJ about what outreach has occurred in languages other than English. AJ explained what has been done. Martin talked about the Spanish Language radio station in the Rouge Valley and his willingness to help as a go-between.

There was a discussion about whether FEMA might share registration data with ICE. AJ said it was not routine, but it could happen if the information was requested at the HQ level.

There was a very long discussion about needs and resources, and the need for more data. Director Salazar asked what the downside would be in just going ahead and asking for a direct housing mission? AJ said she didn't see a downside, but she wasn't sure what happened if FEMA said "no," i.e., she was unsure if there is an appeal process.

- Subject Matter Experts Briefs:
 - DCBS Insurance- Ron Frederickson

Ron provided a great overview of insurance individual homes, mobile homes, and additional living expenses. See the <u>Meeting Presentation</u> for more info.

• HUD Program Overview – Tony Ramirez and Vanessa Krueger
Tony's information was also provided via a slideshow; there was a great deal of
information about what HUD might be able to bring to the table for the windstormwildfire event. He noted that CDBG-DR is a special appropriation by Congress
intended for unmet needs. These unmet needs must be demonstrated.





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Tony introduced Ann Gravier and Vanessa Krueger as the two people he has appointed to have the lead for HUD on the Oregon windstorm-wildfire disaster. <u>Director Salazar</u> asked Tony how Oregon best avoid getting into duplication of benefits (DOB) situations with FEMA. Tony said it will take a coordinated effort and a crosswalk with HUD and FEMA. Tony said that this may even call for a workgroup.

Next Steps

- The next meeting is scheduled for October 15 from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m.; These meetings are scheduled for every other Thursday afternoon.
- Visit the Oregon Disaster Housing Task Force webpage for ongoing updates: https://www.oregon.gov/ohcs/get-involved/Pages/oregon-disaster-housing-task-force.aspx
- Meeting Recording: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1UStYpcScB7Zoxm_Aif3eUULcTWpEWqiy/view

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