

## Charter for Disaster Risk Reduction Project Management Committee

The Community-based Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) Project Advisory Committee (PAC) has gathered to pursue our common interest in understanding community-based action to reduce vulnerability to natural disasters. The charter brings together a vision of a truly sustainable community, ecology and economy emphasizing natural hazard risk reduction.

Through this NHMA -funded assessment, the PAC can provide the following assistance to the CTP-PMT consulting team:

- ❑ Contribute to and critique the project approach [L][SEP]
- ❑ Provide guidance and feedback on community selection [L][SEP]
- ❑ Review and critique project inputs and findings [L][SEP]

❑ Assist in engaging diverse audiences and communicating the project outcomes. [L][SEP] The PAC will play a critical role in the success of this assessment. On its own, this assessment could produce useful, but limited, insight. By bringing together a diverse group of experienced professionals with different perspectives, we hope to generate a constructive dialogue that brings valuable insights from each PAC member and his or her field of expertise to bear on this project. [L][SEP] To assist the PAC in serving in the role outlined above, the first PAC workshop will focus on developing PAC understanding of the: [L][SEP]

- ❑ Basic project purpose and mission [L][SEP]
- ❑ Research approach [L][SEP]

❑ Role of the PAC. [L][SEP] We tentatively anticipate the following involvement from the PAC: [L][SEP]

❑ Participation in three web workshops over the approximately 18-month project:

Workshop#1: July22,2015; Boulder,Colorado [L][SEP]

Workshop#2:October/November2015;Boulder,Colorado [L][SEP]

Workshop#3:March/April2016;location to be determined [L][SEP]

❑ Participation in conference calls or direct contacts with the project team, as needed [L][SEP]

- ❑ Review of key draft project documents. [L][SEP]

The Charter Agreement of RNN and NHMA will incorporate the following strategies:

**1.1: Refine RNN & NHMA roles. Refine, Strengthen and Expand the NHMA Peer-to-Peer Disaster Risk Reduction Strategy.** Assist “whole community partners” in making resilient investments in development and rebuilding by refining NHMA & RNN roles in resilience advocacy and increasing peer-to-peer communication channels to expand network concepts which emphasize support for the FEMA “Whole Community” & “All Hazards” mitigation outreach and risk communication strategy. The RNN charter outlines a leadership structure and operational framework; with clearly identify roles, responsibilities and an implementation plan for local, grassroots involvement. **Question to RNN - How would each RNN like to decide/outline leadership roles?**

**1.2: Enhance internal RNN communication.** Continue and expand regular communication opportunities among RNN members and other local communities, including conference calls that emphasize team building, learning and sharing. Explore feasibility of using other complementary internal communications such as development of an online workspace to enhance frequency of informal network interactions and sharing of resources; one- on-one peer learning exchanges to promote sharing of resilience efforts and site-specific examples.

**1.3: Promote Peer-to-Peer Disaster Risk Reduction resources broadly.** Enhance existing communication tools (e.g., NHMA’s RNN website) and explore additional opportunities (e.g., LinkedIn group, Twitter, Facebook pages) to promote and increase resiliency resources and materials available to the public and practitioners. This also stimulates peer-to-peer interactions both within the network and throughout the larger professional domain of resiliency experts. Seek additional network opportunities such as trainings and conferences for RNN presentations, trainings, and meetings.

**1.4: Document lessons learned.** Refine Matrix to incorporate Lessons Learned as far as being part of RNN and how to grow and share information about the value of RNN- NHMA for Disaster Risk Reduction.