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MEMORANDUM FOR: Write Your Own (WYO) Principal Coordinators and the

National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Servicing Agent

FROM: Dennis Kuhns

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SUBJECT: National Mitigation Framework

You are invited to review the working draft National Mitigation Framework and to submit your comments by April 2, 2012.

The document and instructions for comments can be accessed at the following link: http://www.fema.gov/prepared/ppd8.shtm.

The National Mitigation Framework is one of five frameworks developed to enable achievement of the goal of a secure and resilient Nation with the capabilities required to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from the threats and hazards that pose the greatest risk across the whole community. Mitigation sits at the heart of National Preparedness. Presidential Policy Directive 8 (PPD-8) directed the development of a National Preparedness Goal (Goal) to "define the core capabilities necessary to prepare for the specific types of incidents that pose the greatest risk to the security of the Nation" and a series of national planning frameworks to coordinate efforts to deliver the capabilities defined in the Goal.

The National Mitigation Framework addresses how the Nation will develop, employ, and coordinate core mitigation capabilities to reduce loss of life and property by lessening the impact of disasters. Building on a wealth of objective and evidence-based knowledge and community experience, the Framework seeks to advance risk awareness across the private sector, public sector, nonprofits, faith-based organizations, and individuals. This inclusive process will also leverage products, services, and assets across this same diverse group.

Please share this with others in your organization, as appropriate.

cc: IBHS, FIPNC