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Risk MAP Discovery Follow-up Meeting Notes

Kotzebue Coastal Communities

October 3, 2011—2:00PM (AT); Conference Call

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Objective: Review findings from the Risk MAP Discovery process, status update, and discussion of next steps to building resiliency in the Kotzebue Coastal Area.

Facilitator: Jennifer Monroe, FEMA Region X

Also in Attendance: *Northwest Arctic Borough*—John Chase; *City of Kotzebue*—Grant Hildreth, Rick Hohnbaum, and Sandy Huss; *State of Alaska*—Sally Cox and Taunie Boothby; *FEMA Region X*—Brett Holt and Ted Perkins; *STARR-FEMA RSC-X*—Becca Croft

- I. Introductions
- II. Summary of Discovery Findings
 - a. Identified new study mapping needs
 - b. Identified other technical support/risk assessment needs
- III. Status of FEMA budget for new riverine study work
 - a. What this means for your community
- IV. Path forward
 - a. Immediate Priorities
 - b. Future Priorities
- V. Partnership Agreement
- VI. Action items

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Becca's Notes

1. Jen to provide Grant Hildreth (new Kotzebue Planner) with a copy of the Discovery Report
2. Communities requested training on how to use the existing FIRMs to regulate effectively.
 - a. Permitting and regulating development in the SFHA
 - b. Floodplain determinations using current effective FIRM panels
 - c. Guidance on the use of KML files in Google Earth (in the absence of GIS capabilities) in the planning and development processes
3. Training support on acquiring and using GIS for floodplain regulation and hazard mitigation planning (possibly in preparation for HAZUS model , or for when additional data is collected)
4. Communities requested information and training that can be provided to residents about flood insurance.

Internal note: Ted to research the status and location of possible LiDAR data for the area. If it is available, we will incorporate that data into all the support efforts described above.

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