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U.S Department of Housing & Urban Development's
NATIONAL DISASTER RESILIENCE COMPETITION

**APPLICANT: THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT
PHASE II APPLICATION**

October 27, 2015

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Agency Name or Stakeholder Group (if applicable)	Agency Type – Target Population (if applicable)	Type of Outreach	Method of Notification (email unless otherwise noted) – Materials Provided
State Agencies Fostering Resilience (SAFR)	Academic institutions, state government agencies, regional planning agencies, planning decision makers and resources	Meeting	Presented Overview of NDRC application, preliminary scoping of approach, identify resources, identify engagement partners
Fairfield Environmental Justice Network	Nonprofit environmental justice communities	Email	Solicited input on the application and for outreach to EJ communities, invited organizations to attend public hearings/open houses
CT Coalition for Environmental Justice	Nonprofit environmental justice communities	Email	Solicited input on the application and for outreach to EJ communities, invited organizations to attend public hearings/open houses
SAFR	Academic institutions, state government agencies, regional planning agencies, planning decision makers and resources	Meeting	Identify key themes, strategies, agency priorities, and challenges for resiliency; break-out sessions to discuss coastal resiliency strategies
Kathy Dorgan	Private consultant	meeting	Discussed project selection process, project team structure, community engagement strategies for Phase 2
DEEP; CT Dam Safety Program	State Government	conference call	Discussed unmet needs related to state-owned and privately-owned dams in CT
http://wnpr.org/post/climate-change-here-how-do-we-adapt	NPR Radio Listeners	Radio interview	Radio Broadcast/ Podcast
SAFR	State Government	meeting	Discussed the process for selecting a pilot geography for the Phase 2 application
SAFR	State Government	meeting	Finalized the process for selecting a pilot geography for the Phase 2 application
Yale University Urban Ecology class	Academic	meeting	SAFR members served as the final review panel for the graduate student seminar focused on proposed interventions for coastal Connecticut
Western Connecticut COG	Regional planning agency	meeting	Provided technical support and guidance on the Phase 1 proposal and elements of a successful proposal for Phase 2
Greater Bridgeport Regional Council	Regional planning agency	meeting	Provided technical support and guidance on the Phase 1 proposal and elements of a successful proposal for Phase 2



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Municipalities and Councils of Government in New Haven and Fairfield Counties	Municipalities and Councils of Government in New Haven and Fairfield Counties	webinar	Provided Phase 1 vulnerability assessment to impacts of climate change and criteria for pilot geography for HUD Phase 2 application for Letter of Interest submission.
Bridgeport, Fairfield, GBRC, Meriden, Milford, New Haven, Norwalk, SCRCOG, Stamford, West Haven, WestCOG, Woodbridge	Municipalities and Councils of Government in New Haven and Fairfield Counties	Receipt of Letters of Interest from municipal and council of government in MID-URN	Municipalities and Councils of Government in the MID-URN counties submitted letters of interest in participating in the Phase 2 application. The letters of interest included capacity, need, approach/vision for resiliency, and long-term commitment for each municipality or Council of Government. Each letter was at least 5 pages single-spaced and included municipality details or regional vulnerabilities and needs or prioritized future projects to address those needs. The most common vulnerability sited was flooding due to storm surge and precipitation, as was shown in our Phase 1 assessment. Flooding of critical infrastructure, including roads, wastewater treatment plants, substations, and emergency response facilities were listed as major concerns. Housing located in low-lying areas was also a concern for both owner-occupied and public housing for low income and elderly populations. The resiliency efforts in municipalities focused on shoreline protection measures for stopping coastal erosion or keeping floodwaters out of certain areas. Most of the efforts proposed hard structures or grey infrastructure solutions. Some letters included dunes or living shorelines options in certain areas. Raising roads was also a common ask. Most municipalities noted the importance of the rail line for their economic stability, but often proposals for solutions did not focus on how to capitalize on that rail system. Again, protection at the shoreline with grey infrastructures were predominantly the ideas put forward. The larger cities of Stamford, Norwalk, Bridgeport, and New Haven who submitted letters did include TOD as a natural part of their overall resilience of their communities, but still wanted a strong connection to addressing flooding at their shoreline or due to precipitation events, i.e. stormwater. The SAFR group reviewed all of the letters of interest and used the letters to start to evaluate a pilot geography. All of the municipalities and councils of government who submitted a letter



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			of interest were invited to a Connecticut Resilience Academy to further develop their ideas.
SAFR	Academic institutions, state government agencies, regional planning agencies, planning decision makers and resources	Walking tour of Connecticut's coastal geology and impacts of sea level rise and storms on the coast	A Professor and former state geologist led a tour of coastal sites in Connecticut that exemplify the high ridgelines with former deltas that are being drowned in a rising sea. He showed how marshes and beaches change during storms and where erosion happens on the coast. This educated the state agency representatives on the underlying science and geology that needs to inform decision-making about land use on the coast.
Office of Rep DeLauro (Lou Mangini)	US Congressional Representative	One-on-One	Delegation involvement and setting up meeting.
Office of Sen Blumenthal (Riju Das)	US Senate Representative	Phone	Possible visit from Sec. Castro in August
Office of Rep Himes (Any Lappos)	US Congressional Representative	Phone	General discussion on target geography and municipal involvement.
CT Green Bank, Shore UP CT, Audubon Society	Non Profit Partners	Email	Workshop Save-the-Date
Bridgeport (David Korris)	Municipal	Email	Set time to discuss HUD feedback.
DC Delegation	US Congressional and Senate Representative	Email	Workshop Save-the-Date
Bridgeport, Fairfield, GBRC, Meriden, Milford, New Haven, Norwalk, SCRCOG, Stamford, West Haven, WestCOG, Woodbridge	Municipal Government and Regional Planning Agencies	Email	Workshop Save-the-Date
Bridgeport (Parag Agrawal)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
Bridgeport (David Kooris)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
WestCOG (Robert Sachnin)	Regional Planning Agency	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
WestCOG (Mike Towle)	Regional Planning Agency	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep



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			for 8/3 Workshop.
Stamford (Thaddeus Jankowski, DPW)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
Stamford (Karen Cammarota, Grants)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
Stamford (Erin McKenna, Planning)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
Norwalk (Michele DeLuca, Dep EMD)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
Fairfield - Brian Carey, Conservation Director	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
Fairfield – William Hurley, Engineer	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
Fairfield (Laura Pulie, Engineer)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
Fairfield (Joe Michelangelo, DPW)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
Greater Bridgeport Regional Council (Matthew Fulda)	Regional Planning Agency	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
Greater Bridgeport Regional Council (Brian Bidoli, Executive Director)	Regional Planning Agency	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
West Haven (Eileen Krugel, Grants)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
West Haven (Abdul Quadir, Engineer)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
West Haven (Ed O'Brien, Mayor)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
West Haven (Joe Riccio, DPW)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
West Haven (Mark Paine, DPW)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
Milford (Bill Richardson, EMD)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
Milford (Steven Fournier,	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep



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Assistant Mayor)			for 8/3 Workshop.
Milford (Jenna Lessans, Disaster Recover Conslt)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
Milford (Ben Blake, Mayor)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
Woodbridge (First Selectwoman, Ellen Scalatar)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
Woodbridge (Anthony Genovese, Dir of Finance)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
Woodbridge (Betsy Yagla)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
Meriden (Florence Villano, Grants)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
Meriden (Larry Kendozier, Town Manager)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
South Central Regional Council Of Governments (Carl Amento, Executive Director)	Regional Planning Agency	One-on-One	Discussion with Executive Director, Carl Amento, of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
South Central Regional Council Of Governments (Eugene Livshits)	Regional Planning Agency	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
South Central Regional Council Of Governments (Christopher Rappa)	Regional Planning Agency	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
New Haven (Mendi Blue, Grants)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 1 Feedback and Phase 2 goals. Prep for 8/3 Workshop.
CT OPM Secretary, (Ben Barnes)	State Government	One-on-One	Report out and debrief of Municipal workshop.
Office of Reo DeLauro (Lou Mangini)	US Congressional Representative	Meeting	Report out on project status and debrief of Municipal workshop.
Office of Sen Blumenthal (Riju Das)	US Senate Representative	Meeting	Report out on project status and debrief of Municipal workshop.
Office of Rep Himes (Amy	US Congressional	Meeting	Report out on project status and debrief of Municipal workshop.



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Lappos)	Representative		
Office of Sen Murphy (Evan Johnson)	US Senate Representative	Meeting	Report out on project status and debrief of Municipal workshop.
Bridgeport (David Korris)	Municipal	One-on-One	Phase 2 pilot outreach
Bridgeport (Parag Agrawal)	Municipal	One-on-One	Phase 2 pilot outreach
SAFR	Academic institutions, state government agencies, regional planning agencies, planning decision makers and resources	Workshop	SAFR Strategic Planning meeting
DOH Commissioner Kline	State Government	Meeting	Project/Program development status
DEEP (Jessie Stratton, Policy Advisor)	State Government	Meeting	Project/Program development status
OPM (Garrett Eucalitto, Undersecretary of Trans)	State Government	Meeting	Project/Program development status
DOH (Mike Santoro, Policy Advisor)	State Government	Meeting	Project/Program development status
CT Green Bank (Bert Hunter)	Non Profit	Phone Conference	Phase 2 Partnership and leverage
CT Green Bank (Bryan Garcia)	Non Profit	Phone Conference	Phase 2 Partnership and leverage
CT Green Bank (Kim Stevenson)	Not Profit	Phone Conference	Phase 2 Partnership and leverage
CT OPM Secretary Barnes	State Government	One-on-One	Report out and status update.
WestCOG (Robert Sachnin)	Regional Planning Agency	Webinar	Discussion of HUD's Phase 2 projects and programs
WestCOG (Mike Towle)	Regional Planning Agency	Webinar	Discussion of HUD's Phase 2 projects and programs
Stamford (Thomas Madden)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 2 projects and programs
Stamford (Erin McKenna)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 2 projects and programs
Norwalk (Michele DeLuca)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 2 projects and programs
Fairfield (Laura Pulie)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 2 projects and programs
Milford (Bill Richardson)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 2 projects and programs
Milford (Steven Fournier, Asst Mayor)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 2 projects and programs
West Haven (Eileen Krugal)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 2 projects and programs
West Haven (Abdul Quadir)	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 2 projects and programs



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West Haven – Mayor, Ed O’Brien	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 2 projects and programs
West Haven – DPW, Joe Riccio	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 2 projects and programs
West Haven, DPW, Mark Paine	Municipal	One-on-One	Discussion of HUD's Phase 2 projects and programs
Greater New Haven Water Pollution Control Authority (Thomas Sgroi)	Water Control Agency	One-on-One	Phase 2 Partnership and leverage
Greater New Haven Water Pollution Control Authority (Gary Zrelak)	Water Control Agency	One-on-One	Phase 2 Partnership and leverage
Greater New Haven Water Pollution Control Authority (Executive Director, Sid Holbrook)	Water Control Agency	One-on-One	Phase 2 Partnership and leverage
New Haven – Giannovonni Zinn, Engineer	Municipal	One-on-One	Phase 2 Partnership and leverage
DECD	State Government	One-on-One	Report out and status update.
DECD Commissioner Catherine Smith	State Government	One-on-One	Report out and status update for Commissioner.
DECD Deputy Commissioner, Tim Sullivan	State Government	One-on-One	Report out and status update for Deputy Commissioner
CT Green Bank (Bert Hunter)	Non-Profit	Phone Conference	Phase 2 Partnership and leverage
CT Green Bank (Bryan Garcia)	Non-Profit	Phone Conference	Phase 2 Partnership and leverage
CT Green Bank (Kim Stevenson)	Non-Profit	Phone Conference	Phase 2 Partnership and leverage
SAFR	Academic institutions, state government agencies, regional planning agencies, planning decision makers and resources	Meeting	Review primary drivers for Phase2 and SAFR priorities; Discussion of target geographies, plans for roll-out and execution; Determine how to organize schedule and work plan; Discussion of innovative community engagement; Determine partner agency programs (policy and capitol) that tie into



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			resilience efforts.
PB and OPM	Application Team and OPM	Phone Conference	Community Engagement Model discussion
SAFR	Application Team	Phone Conference	Workshop Agenda Preliminary Review; Mapping Overview; Review Risk Definition; Agency Projects and Policies list; Preparations for Denver NDRC Phase II Academy; Discussion of Outreach to Vulnerable Populations
PB, CIRCA, OPM	Application Team	Phone Conference	Engagement Strategies
SAFR	Application Team	Phone Conference	
SAFR	Application Team	Phone Conference	Conducted a dry run to present approach to the workshops for communities.
SAFR, Bridgeport, Fairfield, GBRC, Meriden, Milford, New Haven, Norwalk, SCRCOG, Stamford, West Haven, WestCOG, Woodbridge	Municipalities and Councils of Government in New Haven and Fairfield Counties, Academic institutions, state government agencies, regional planning agencies, planning decision makers and resources	Workshop	<p>An innovative workshop open only to municipalities and COG's that had previously submitted Letters of Interest for the states NDRC Phase 2 application. The workshop was arranged to provide them with the tools to utilize HUD's NDRC goals and objectives that will result in resilient TOD strategies.</p> <p>The municipalities were sent a questionnaire prior to attending the workshop.</p> <p>During the workshop, each municipality was broken out to their own table where multiple exercises and handouts were prepared for their discussion and input. These included vulnerability and asset maps for each community, exiting projects for each community, aerial maps for discussion and design purposes, factsheets.</p> <p>During lunch, attendees were given a presentation regarding the geology of Connecticut and how it influences the State.</p>
SAFR	Application Team	Phone Conference	Workshop debrief, next steps, and lessons learned
SAFR	Application Team	Webinar	



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OPM, CIRCA, PB, Zared Architecture	Application Team, Outreach	Phone Conference	Ongoing efforts to outreach to vulnerable populations
SAFR	Application Team	Phone Conference	1) SAFR Workshop 2) Outreach to Vulnerable Populations 3) Regional Workshop, Matrix and Municipality Booklet Update 4) New Haven and Bridgeport Projects 5) Application Progress 6) Other items: a. August 12th outreach discussion update b. August 14th CTDOT meeting update
SAFR and CTDOT	Application Team and CTDOT	Meeting	Meeting to present potential projects with CTDOT
OPM, CIRCA, PB, Zared Architecture	Application Team, Outreach	Phone Conference	Ongoing efforts to outreach to vulnerable populations
SAFR	Application Team	Phone Conference	1) SAFR Workshop a. Workshop walkthrough 2) Outreach to Vulnerable Populations 3) Matrix and Municipality Booklet Update 4) New Haven and Bridgeport Projects 5) Application Progress 6) Other items: a. August 20th CTDOT Meeting
SAFR	Academic institutions, state government agencies, regional planning agencies, planning decision makers and resources	Workshop	Strategic Planning discussion regarding future, roles and responsibly of SAFR agencies
SAFR	Application Team	Webinar	1) SAFR Workshop 2) Outreach to Vulnerable Populations 3) Matrix and Municipality Booklet Update 4) New Haven and Bridgeport Projects 5) Application Progress
OPM, CIRCA, PB, Zared Architecture	Application Team, Outreach	Phone Conference	Ongoing efforts to outreach to vulnerable populations
SAFR	Application Team	Workshop	A working technical discussion regarding projects for NRDR Phase 2, begin to identify and develop design strategies for



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			potential projects.
SAFR	Application Team	Workshop	A working technical discussion regarding projects for NRDR Phase 2 begin to identify and develop design strategies for potential projects
SAFR, City of New Haven	Application Team, Municipality	Workshop	A working technical discussion regarding projects for NRDR Phase 2 begin to identify and develop design strategies for potential projects for New Haven.
SAFR, City of Bridgeport	Application Team, Municipality	Workshop	A working technical discussion regarding projects for NRDR Phase 2 begin to identify and develop design strategies for potential projects for Bridgeport
SAFR	Application Team	Webinar	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) SAFR Workshop <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Executive Order for SAFR Status Update 2) Outreach to Vulnerable Populations <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Update on New Haven and Bridgeport Public Meetings b. Public Hearings 3) Municipality Regional Resiliency Planning Effort Update 4) Pilot Projects Update <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. New Haven b. Bridgeport 5) HUD NDRC Application Status Update 6) New Items – Additional Meetings
SAFR	Application Team	Webinar	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) SAFR <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Executive Order for SAFR Status Update b. Shared Agency Program Mod to support pilot projects <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Complete streets or other program to be considered 2) Outreach to Vulnerable Populations <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Public Hearings in Bridgeport, Monday, October 12th 4-8 PM and New Haven, Tuesday, October 13, 4:30-8 PM 3) Municipality Regional Resiliency Planning Effort Update 4) Pilot Projects Update
Resident Services, New Haven Housing Authority	Housing Authority	Phone Call	Project overview and how best to engage their community and solicit outreach assistance, discussion of targeted community outreach briefings to assist with garnering input and attendance to additional community meetings and public hearing



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Resident Services, New Haven Housing Authority	Housing Authority	Email	Project overview and how best to engage their community and solicit outreach assistance, discussion of targeted community outreach briefings to assist with garnering input and attendance to additional community meetings and public hearing
Hill South Management Team, New Haven	Neighborhood Association	Phone Call	Project overview and how best to engage their community and solicit outreach assistance, discussion of targeted community outreach briefings to assist with garnering input and attendance to additional community meetings and public hearing
South End NRZ, Bridgeport (Carmen Nieves)	Neighborhood Association	Phone Call	Project overview and how best to engage their community and solicit outreach assistance, discussion of targeted community outreach briefings to assist with garnering input and attendance to additional community meetings and public hearing, discussion of putting NDRC on the next meeting of the South End NRZ Executive Committee Meeting
Delores Colon, Alderwoman Ward 4 , New Haven	Municipal	Phone Call	Project overview and how best to engage their community and solicit outreach assistance, discussion of targeted community outreach briefings to assist with garnering input and attendance to additional community meetings and public hearing
Sara McGiver, Chair of Hill South Management Team, New Haven	Neighborhood Association	Phone Call	Project overview and how best to engage their community and solicit outreach assistance, discussion of targeted community outreach briefings to assist with garnering input and attendance to additional community meetings and public hearing
Jissette Chone, Church Street South, New Haven	Community Group	Phone Call	Project overview and how best to engage their community and solicit outreach assistance, discussion of targeted community outreach briefings to assist with garnering input and attendance to additional community meetings and public hearing
Jeffery Moreno, Livable Cities Initiative	Neighborhood Specialist	Phone Call	Project overview and how best to engage their community and solicit outreach assistance, discussion of targeted community outreach briefings to assist with garnering input and attendance to additional community meetings and public hearing
Christopher Soto, LCI	Neighborhood Specialist	Phone Call	Project overview and how best to engage their community and solicit outreach assistance, discussion of targeted community outreach briefings to assist with garnering input and attendance to additional community meetings and public hearing
Henry Fernandez, ED LEAP, Church Street South	Neighborhood Specialist	Phone Call	Project overview and how best to engage their community and solicit outreach assistance, discussion of targeted community



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			outreach briefings to assist with garnering input and attendance to additional community meetings and public hearing
Sheila Allen Bell, Housing Authority, New Haven	Housing Authority	Phone Call	Project overview and how best to engage their community and solicit outreach assistance, discussion of targeted community outreach briefings to assist with garnering input and attendance to additional community meetings and public hearing
Lee Cruz, Community Foundation for Greater New Haven	Community Group	Phone Call	Project overview and how best to engage their community and solicit outreach assistance, discussion of targeted community outreach briefings to assist with garnering input and attendance to additional community meetings and public hearing
Spanish American Merchants Association (Jobana Maldonado and Angelo Reyes)	Community Group	Phone Call	Project overview and how best to engage their community and solicit outreach assistance, discussion of targeted community outreach briefings to assist with garnering input and attendance to additional community meetings and public hearing
Rev. Carl McCluster, South End Management Team, Bridgeport	Community Group	Phone Call	Project overview and how best to engage their community and solicit outreach assistance, discussion of targeted community outreach briefings to assist with garnering input and attendance to additional community meetings and public hearing
Angie Staltaro, City of Bridgeport, Neighborhood Services	Community Group	Phone Call	Project overview and how best to engage their community and solicit outreach assistance, discussion of targeted community outreach briefings to assist with garnering input and attendance to additional community meetings and public hearing
Deborah Caviness, Program Administrator, Small and Minority Business Administrator, Bridgeport	Community Group	Phone Call	Project overview and how best to engage their community and solicit outreach assistance, discussion of targeted community outreach briefings to assist with garnering input and attendance to additional community meetings and public hearing
Deborah Thomas-Sims, NRZ Coordinator, Bridgeport	Community Group	Phone Call	Project overview and how best to engage their community and solicit outreach assistance, discussion of targeted community outreach briefings to assist with garnering input and attendance to additional community meetings and public hearing
Elizabeth Torres, Bridgeport Neighborhood Trust	Community Group	Phone Call	Project overview and how best to engage their community and solicit outreach assistance, discussion of targeted community outreach briefings to assist with garnering input and attendance to additional community meetings and public hearing
Frank d'Amore, New Haven Neighborhood Specialist	Community	Phone Call	Project overview and how best to engage their community and solicit outreach assistance, discussion of targeted community



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			outreach briefings to assist with garnering input and attendance to additional community meetings and public hearing
Carmen Rodriguez, City Point, New Haven	Community	Phone Call	Project overview and how best to engage their community and solicit outreach assistance, discussion of targeted community outreach briefings to assist with garnering input and attendance to additional community meetings and public hearing
Maisa Tisdale, Bridgeport South End	Community	Phone Call	Communication regarding Neighborhood Block Party on Cottage Place, details, coordination and handing of flyers and inviting community members
Carmen Mendez, Wooster Square Neighborhood	Community	Phone Call	Project overview and how best to engage their community and solicit outreach assistance, discussion of targeted community outreach briefings to assist with garnering input and attendance to additional community meetings and public hearing
Rev. Dexter Upshaw, New Light Church, Bridgeport	Religious	Email	Project overview and how best to engage their community and solicit outreach assistance, discussion of targeted community outreach briefings to assist with garnering input and attendance to additional community meetings and public hearing
US Army Corps of Engineers		Webinar	
Bridgeport Police		In Person	Apply for permit to enable the closing of Cottage Place for a Neighborhood Block Party
Cottage Place, Bridgeport	Community	Door-to-door	Flyer' d neighborhood, surrounding business and community centers, inviting community to a Neighborhood Block Party to be held on Cottage Place
Church Street South, New Haven	Community	Door-to Door	Flyer' d neighborhood, surrounding business and community centers, inviting community to public meeting at the Courtland Wilson Library
New Haven Housing Authority/ Winslow Celentano	Housing Association	Public Meeting	Attend public meeting and discussed NDRC and what it means for their community. Distributed an overview of NDRC, displayed map of Sandy inundation and discussed importance of their community participation for project development, solicited input and encouraged attendance to additional community meetings and public hearings.
Hill South Management Team, New Haven	Neighborhood Association	Public Meeting	Attend public meeting and discussed NDRC and what it means for their community. Distributed an overview of NDRC, displayed map of Sandy inundation and discussed importance of



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			their community participation for project development, solicited input and encouraged attendance to additional community meetings and public hearings.
South End NRZ, Bridgeport	Neighborhood Association	Public Meeting	Attend public meeting and discussed NDRC and what it means for their community. Distributed an overview of NDRC, displayed map of Sandy inundation and discussed importance of their community participation for project development, solicited input and encouraged attendance to additional community meetings and public hearings.
South End NRZ, Bridgeport	Neighborhood Association	Phone Call	Project overview and how best to engage their community and solicit outreach assistance, discussion of targeted community outreach briefings to assist with garnering input and attendance to additional community meetings and public hearing
South End NRZ, Bridgeport	Neighborhood Association	Public Meeting	Attend public meeting and discussed NDRC and what it means for their community. Distributed an overview of NDRC, displayed map of Sandy inundation and discussed importance of their community participation for project development, solicited input and encouraged attendance to additional community meetings and public hearings.
New Haven Courtland Wilson Public Library	Community	Public Meeting	<p>The community listened to a brief NDRC overview. Stations with exhibits displayed along the street to enable the public to peruse, ask questions, and provide comments and input. Stations and exhibits included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Needs Station <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ What Happened During Sandy: Assets & Inundation ○ Unmet Needs & Critical Issues ○ Existing New Haven Projects • Overview Station <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ NDRC Overview ○ Statewide Strategy Board • Potential Projects Station <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Project Concept Plan ○ Section Call-Outs ○ Feedback Board



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			Discussed importance of their community participation for project development, solicited input and encouraged attendance to additional community meetings and public hearings. Distributed handouts (potential project descriptions, NDRC factsheet) and collected comments and feedback during the meeting.
Cottage Place, Bridgeport	Community	Public Meeting / Block Party	<p>Neighborhood Block Party, during which Cottage Place was closed to traffic. The community listened to a brief NDRC overview. Stations with exhibits displayed throughout the room to enable the public to peruse, ask questions, and provide comments and input. Stations and exhibits included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Needs Station <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ What Happened During Sandy: Assets & Inundation ○ Unmet Needs & Critical Issues ○ Existing Bridgeport Projects • Overview Station <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ NDRC Overview ○ Statewide Strategy Board • Potential Projects Station <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Project Concept Plan ○ Section Call-Outs ○ Feedback Board <p>Discussed importance of their community participation for project development, solicited input and encouraged attendance to additional community meetings and public hearings. Distributed handouts (potential project descriptions, NDRC factsheet) and collected comments and feedback during the meeting.</p>
Public Hearing, Housatonic Community College, Bridgeport	Community	Public Hearing/Open House	Held and Open House and Public Hearing for NDRC Phase 2 application regarding potential project in Bridgeport and opened for public comments.



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			<p>Displayed boards including NDRC overview, State Goals, Sandy Inundation Map, Project Overview map and description.</p> <p>Provided project map and description as a handout and made available the application, consultation summary and benefit cost analysis for review of attendees if necessary.</p>
Public Hearing, Gateway Community College, New Haven	Community	Public Hearing/Open House	<p>Held and Open House and Public Hearing for NDRC Phase 2 application regarding potential project in New Haven and opened for public comments.</p> <p>Displayed boards including NDRC overview, State Goals, Sandy Inundation Map, Project Overview map, and description.</p> <p>Provided project map and description as a handout and made available the application, consultation summary and benefit cost analysis for review of attendees if necessary.</p>
New Haven Board of Aldermen Meeting	Municipal	Meeting	<p>A 15-minute presentation with a Q+A session was held at a special board of Alderman meeting. The agenda was follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Introduction <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Tranche 3 b. The NDRC New Haven application is a chance to address New Haven’s convergence of inland and coastal storm surge flooding. 2. Overview of CT NDRC application <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Phase I – not allowed to target a geography, and Connecticut was shortlisted b. In June 2015 we were accepted into Phase II c. Letters of interest – 11 received d. Two places chosen – these places had the potential to develop solutions e. What is the problem in New Haven f. Here are the potential solutions, as a layered protection strategy, that we are proposing to HUD <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Inland flood management through street improvements ii. Flood mitigation in Long Wharf neighborhood



Consultation Summary (cont...)

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> iii. Coastal protection g. What does this all mean? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. New Haven Budget ii. Bridgeport Budget iii. Total budget <p>Boards on displays included all boards from New Haven’s Public hearing and an image of flooding along Union Avenue.</p>
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Consultation Summary (cont...)

Summary of and Response to public comments

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

National Disaster Resilience Competition

State of Connecticut Draft Phase 2 Application

The State of Connecticut, Department of Housing sought public comment and held two (2) PUBLIC HEARINGS on the DRAFT CDBG-DR National Disaster Resilience Competition Phase II Application.

Phase 1

In the first phase, the State of Connecticut described its unmet resiliency needs stemming from Hurricane Sandy. The Phase 1 application did not require the State to identify specific projects. During the process of creating the Phase 1 application, released in March 2015, the State engaged residents, business owners, elected officials and other stakeholders to identify risks and vulnerabilities in communities.

The State's Draft Phase 1 Application was made available for public comment in March 2015 and can be viewed at circa.uconn.edu/ndrc/pubs/FinalSAFRConnecticutConnectionsJune22.pdf.

Phase 2

On June 22, 2015, HUD announced that the State of Connecticut was selected to advance to Phase 2 of NDRC. During this phase, the State will identify specific projects for which it seeks funding through the competition. The State will use this opportunity to strengthen social and economic resiliency in climate-vulnerable communities, and to enhance the city's coastal defenses in response to the evolving risks associated with climate change and other 21st century threats.

A fifteen (15) day comment period on the State of Connecticut's DRAFT Phase 2 application to the National Disaster Resilience Competition (NDRC) began on Monday, October 12, 2015 and the DRAFT application was made available for review at the Department of Housing website, www.ct.gov/doh, or may be viewed in person at the Department of Housing.

All State residents were invited to attend the multiple OPEN HOUSES and PUBLIC HEARINGS to comment on the State of Connecticut DRAFT Phase 2 application to the National Disaster Resilience Competition.

Bridgeport - Open House & Public Hearing

4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Monday, October 12, 2015

Housatonic Community College

Beacon Hall

900 Lafayette Boulevard

Bridgeport, CT 06604

New Haven - Open House & Public Hearing



Summary of Public Comments

Tuesday, October 13, 2015
Gateway Community College
Room N100
20 Church Street
New Haven, CT 06510

Written comments could be submitted via the Connecticut Department of Housing email address, CT.Housing.Plans@ct.gov, or in hard copy to NDRC Phase 2 Comments, Department of Housing, 505 Hudson Street, Hartford, CT 06106. All comments received on or before October 26, 2015 were considered and included in the final submission to HUD.

The Department of Housing programs are administered in a nondiscriminatory manner, consistent with equal employment opportunities, affirmative action, and fair housing requirements. Questions, concerns, complaints or requests for information in alternative formats must be directed to the ADA (504) Coordinator at 860-270-8261.



Summary of Public Comments (cont...)

A set of comments was received from various sources, requesting improvements and modifications to the NDRC grant application and to the proposed pilot projects. That set is summarized below. These questions/comments are appreciated, and selected modifications have been incorporated as appropriate into the relevant Exhibits and Attachments within the Phase 2 application.

1) *Comment:* it was recommended that the following comments be considered within the Phase 2 application

- Include clear description of TOD
- Finalize SAFR Membership and clarify if letter or order
- Expand on Connecticut Connections Coastal Resilience Plan throughout

Response:

- These comments have been reviewed and addressed by the team. Several Exhibits of the Phase 2 application has been revised accordingly.

2) *Comments:* The following comments were received in response to the Capacity section of the Phase 2 application

- Please review technical capacity and connect agency capabilities directly to HUD Technical Capacity needs
- Clarify Agencies experience
- Emphasis SAFR collaboration
- Emphasis CIRCA and DEEP partnership
- Include science based capacity in SAFR responsibility
- SeaGrant and CLEAR do not need to be Partners as they are a part of UConn which is a partner
- CID as the insurance agency should have someone listed in the leadership section
- Should insert reference to the pre-existing collaboration of OPM, OTG, DOT, DECD, DEEP on TOD - all these agencies bring both technical and policy capacity to the table.
- Clarify that SAFR's mission also provides the opportunity for a unified statewide response and technical assistance
- Should be talking about the magnitude of bond funds that are flowing to transportation, housing, environment etc.
- DEEP as the permitting agency ought to have someone listed in the team leadership section.
- Need to include cities of New Haven and Bridgeport as possible project managers since we don't work on local street networks
- include DAS Construction Services in SAFR
- to show HUD Grant Management experience, you can also include DECD successfully managed the \$2 million DECD HUD Sustainable Communities Challenge Grant
- CIRCA as Outreach and Climate Change experience ought to have someone listed in the team



Summary of Public Comments (cont...)

Response:

- These comments have been reviewed and addressed by the team. Exhibit C, Capacity, of the Phase 2 application has been revised accordingly. The revisions help to make the Exhibit stronger and more coherent. These sections of the Exhibit have been modified:
 - Exhibit C.a. Experience of the Applicant
 - Exhibit C.b. Management Structure

3) Comments: The following comments were received in response to the Executive Summary section of the Phase 2 application

- The Governor’s Council on Climate Change (GC3) should be listed in the “long term commitment” discussion
- My only issue with this section is that the plan does not really address this issue and many homes are still at a very high risk. If there is a direct residential housing impact, we should identify it. This plan appears to be more weighted toward transportation and infrastructure.
- There does not appear to be a connection to housing in the executive summary, would seem an important point to make
- A brief description of CIRCA purpose should be inserted, e.g., "a multi-disciplinary institute that enhances technical capacity . . .”
- The \$28 million Grants-in-Aid Green Infrastructure Program to encourage low impact design combines two separate and distinct programs.

Response

- These comments have been reviewed and addressed by the team. Exhibit A, Executive Summary, has been modified accordingly. This makes the Executive Summary more consistent with and representative of the main points of the overall document.

4) Comments: The following comments were received in response to the Leverage section of the Phase 2 application

- Organize leverage by State, Local, Private as opposed to talking about leverage City by City
- Please articulate the commencement date, baseline, outcome and specific measurable for any LT Commitments that you list
- "The development of protection for the New Haven Rail Yard will extend the bicycle and pedestrian connections constructed as part of Route 34 into Long Wharf along the historic Vision Trail, knitting together Long Wharf, Union Station, The Hill and Downtown New Haven" - Refer to as Co Benefits?



- Disparate programs have been blended "A second program, also funded for \$28 million provides grants-in-aid to.."
- Add WPCA and Utilities in Direct Leverage.

Response

- These comments have been reviewed and addressed by the team. Exhibit F, Leverage, of the Phase 2 application has been modified to address most of these comments. The revisions help to clarify certain points in the Exhibit. Paragraphs within Exhibit F have been modified, including but not limited to:
 - F.7. Sources of Leverage

5) Comments: The following comments were received in response to the Long Term Commitment section of the Phase 2 application

- Assert that State of Conn is committed long-term and taking appropriate action.
- Review measurable outcomes and take them to the next level of action, many of the outcomes are the tasks that lead to outcomes and not the outcomes themselves.
- West Havens first round of 13 buyouts closed 10/19/2015; use that as the effective date for the Long-term commitment. They are transitioning into the demolition phase on Round-1; the appraisal phase on Round-2.)
- Include as many dates as possible. DEEP needs to weigh in on whether we can commit to issuing an RFP for the \$20 Million LIS Resiliency fund and \$20 GI fund within 12 months of the effective date of the grant agreement — by ~January 2017

Response

- These comments have been reviewed and addressed by the team. Exhibit G, Regional Coordination and Long Term Commitment, has been modified to address most of these comments. The revisions help to clarify certain points in the grant application. Some of the comments also affect Exhibit E.a.2, Project metrics.

6) Comments: The following comments were received in response to the Need/Extent of the Problem section of the Phase 2 application

- include OPM Chair as the co-chair of the Community Planning and Capacity building WG under the state's Long Term Recovery committee
- Note that CIRCA has an initiative underway to refine vulnerability estimates of communities to flood risk due to the combination of coastal surges and river flooding.
- Identify the need for more integrated hydrologic analysis that includes the effects of climate change on the design
- Note that the state recognizes that actual rise in sea level will involve variable, UCONN is charged with taking NOAA scenario guidance and equating it to CT specific factors to develop localized projections



- Move the more generalized description of the area to the beginning of the discussion rather than the end. Reviewers are not going to relate to street or neighborhood names.
- Need to get to the importance of the rail yard to the linkage etc. sooner in the doc.
- The initial discussion of Sandy unmet need seems small it would be important to stress the REPETITIVE LOSSES and that the solutions are aimed at solving that problem.
- make the transit connection
- Clarify the importance of the hub's connection to all the impacted communities as a key idea.
- Reference to SAFR seems overly respective

Response

- These comments have been reviewed and addressed by the team. Exhibit D, Need/Extent of the Problem, of the Phase 2 application has been revised accordingly. The revisions affected many portions of the Exhibit, including but not limited to:
 - Exhibit D.a. Unmet Recovery Need & Target Geography
 - Exhibit D.b. Resilience Needs within Recovery Needs
 - Exhibit D.c. Appropriate Approaches to Improve Resilience

7) Comments: The following comments were received in response to the Soundness of Approach section of the Phase 2 application

- Elaborate on the specific schedule for implementation for project elements in our project areas and for the program/planning effort
- These planning discussions should highlight the need for additional analyses to define the vulnerability and better inform the design process
- Add CIRCA to USACE and FEMA to emphasize local vulnerability assessment
- Clarify if the CT Connections Coastal Resilience Plan is different than what asking the planning money to do. If not, describe it the same way in that part of that application or clarify this is a subset.
- Not sure DEEP is ready to commit to a revision of existing flood plain development guidelines governing future growth in Bridgeport's South End
- It may be regional in nature but more importantly, it is integral to the economies of the two impacted communities.
- "partial sea wall" - discuss in terms of softer controls, e.g., living shorelines
- Confirm conversation with DEEP about revising floodplain development guidelines as mentioned in Bridgeport Project
- Clarify Bridgeport Project Proposal, Do you mean literally "lifting" or building protection that will render it not in the floodplain?
- Increased resilience to current and future disasters, incorporate data to collaborate designs, not replicate
- "Request greater clarity for soundness of approach" The Connecticut Connections Coastal Resilience Plan and estimated loss to CT from Sandy



Response

- These comments have been reviewed and addressed by the team. Exhibit E, Soundness of Approach, of the Phase 2 application has been revised accordingly. The revisions affected many portions of the Exhibit, including but not limited to:
 - Exhibit E.a.3. Description of CDBG-NDR Projects
 - Exhibit E.d. Project Schedule and environmental review.

8) Comments: The following comments were received in response to the Threshold section of the Phase 2 application

- Confirm Tranche 3 complete and update data
- Include New Haven infrastructure repair needs
- Delete “Westport Bridge – Sandy waves dislodged bridge to island, which was repaired, but not resilient to future storms. Please be advised that this project has been funded. This will change your unmet need table for infrastructure.

Response

- These comments have been reviewed and addressed by the team. Exhibit B, Threshold Requirements, of the Phase 2 application has been revised accordingly.

9) *Comment:* it was recommended that the following comments be considered within the Phase 2 application regarding a "Discussion with Lee Cruz, the Director of Community Outreach, Community Foundation of Greater New Haven.

- Include more detailed information regarding the neighborhoods surrounding the NDRC project area in New Haven and consider adding potential additional partners
 - New Haven Land Trust
 - Sound School has a non-profit
 - Potential project with high school students educating homeowners in that neighborhood – that would be impacted
 - Students come from New Haven promise – if you maintain certain grades, then you can get help to live and study locally

Response

- These comments about New Haven will be taken into account during project startup and implementation.

10) *Comment:* it was recommended that the following comments be considered within the Phase 2 application



Summary of Public Comments (cont...)

- "Define and outline further the Planning and Project Goals and Outcome Metrics for Resiliency Value, Environmental Value, Economic Value and Social Value
- You need to have metrics for all activities in the proposal, not just the covered projects. These also have to be things that will be measured, not just “were” measured for the BCA. Include the metrics that CIRCA made for the Coastal Resilience Plan, Energy Resilience Study and Flood Guidelines. "

Response

- These comments have been reviewed and addressed by the team. Exhibit E.a.2, Project metrics has been modified to address most of these comments. Some of the comments also affect Exhibit G, Regional Coordination and Long Term Commitment, and Attachment F: Benefit Cost Analysis.

11) *Comment:* it was recommended that the Connecticut Council for Philanthropy would like to join the application as a Partner through membership on the SAFR Advisory Committee

Response: The Connecticut Council for Philanthropy has been included as a Partner through membership on the SAFR Advisory Committee

