District Liaisons Moving to Regional Format

With a departure and retirement recently occurring within the District Liaison staff, and with hiring freezes ongoing due to COVID-19, Local Government Support is moving to a regionalized coverage model.

An email has been established for north, central and southern regional liaisons. Using the regional email will help to keep information consistent.

North Region: NorthLiaison@dhs.in.gov

- Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4
- Alethea Pascascio-Gordon, Stormy Friday and Courtney Turner

Central Region: CentralLiaison@dhs.in.gov

- Districts 5, 6 and 7
- Ben Esterline and Jerry Sears

Southern Region: SouthLiaison@dhs.in.gov

- Districts 8, 9 and 10
- Jesse Minnick, Tonda Dixon and Holly Bryan

Alethea will also be coordinating the statewide CERT effort for IDHS. She will be contacting all Indiana CERT teams to help with training and support as well as help those communities be better prepared by establishing new CERT teams where they are needed. If you have CERT ideas or projects, please contact her.

Exercise Updates

- Thank you to all who submitted information and participated in the COVID Coffee Talk last week!
**FFY2019 SHSP Closeout Due**

**Oct. 31**

- Grant-funded equipment inventory due

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**THIRA/SPR Tool now available**

This year’s 2020 THIRA/SPR Modified Tool is available for EMAs to download in WebEOC dropdown board. EMAs can find more information in the September 18 EMA Roundup.

Any questions can be directed to Joshua Killu at JKiilu1@dhs.in.gov or Peri Rogowski at PRogowski@dhs.in.gov.

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**County Burn Ban Status Reminder**

As more burn bans are announced across the state, the State EOC reminds county EMAs to submit this information into Daily Ops in WebEOC and attach a copy of the local disaster emergency proclamation.

**As the proclamations expire, please be sure to update the status for your county**, to keep the Burn Ban Map up to date.

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**Public Assistance Program**

Continue checking the [IDHS Public Assistance Program website](https://www.idhs.in.gov/emergency-management/public-assistance) for updates on guidance, trainings and other vital information as the Public Assistance process moves forward.

Over the next two weeks, FEMA will be offering a series of webinars focused on "Top 10 Mistakes when Purchasing Under a FEMA Award." Visit the [Emergency Management page](https://www.idhs.in.gov/emergency-management) for more information on dates and times.

The deadline to submit a Request for Public Assistance application is currently **Oct. 31, 2020**. An approved RPA is the first step to access FEMA reimbursement for...
are intended to supply first responders with needed PPE through the end of 2020. If any critical PPE needs arise, county EMAs should submit a request in WebEOC and reach out to the State EOC Logistics Section.

eligible costs related to the COVID-19 pandemic. More information is available on the IDHS Public Assistance Program website.