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DATE: May 14, 2010

FROM: Michael Poirier, State Coordinating Officer
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TO: Chairman, Board of Selectmen, State Agency Heads, School Districts, Nonprofit Organizations

SUBJECT: Major Disaster Declaration - Applicant Briefing Meetings (Public Assistance Only)

On May 12, 2010, President Barack Obama declared the State of New Hampshire eligible for a major disaster declaration due to the March Flooding events with an incident period of **March 14 through March 31, 2010**. The major disaster declaration for Public Assistance includes **Rockingham County**.

If damages resulting in eligible costs from this event during the incident period were incurred, then your community/organization may be eligible for cost reimbursement under the Public Assistance Program. If your community/organization is interested in applying for disaster assistance, we ask that a representative who is familiar with the event and would be available to assist the Federal and State Teams throughout the process attend the following meeting. **Please note that there is a 30 day deadline from the date of the declaration to submit a Request for Public Assistance (RPA) form to the State. That deadline date is June 11, 2010.**

May 24, 2010
1:30 pm
Brentwood
Brentwood Fire Department, Upstairs Hall
148 Crawley Falls Road
Brentwood, NH 03833

This meeting will provide you with information about the declaration process, eligibility and document preparation. It is **imperative** that a staff person, such as the Road Agent/Public Works Director and/or Finance Director of your community, be present at this meeting to apply for federal assistance and facilitate the application process.

As an option to this disaster only: If your community is an applicant for the February 2010 disaster (DR 1892) and you have no issues and/or questions regarding the Public Assistance Program for the March Flooding events (DR 1913) then you may file a RPA and submit via your HSEM Field Rep, email to mike.poirier@hsem.nh.gov, FAX to 223-3609, or mail to:

HSEM
33 Hazen Drive
Concord, NH 03305 Attention: Michael Poirier

You may access an electronic copy of the RPA by this web address:

http://www.nh.gov/safety/divisions/hsem/disaster_info.htm

If you prefer to submit this way please verify that HSEM has received your RPA.

If you have any questions and/or you cannot make this briefing, please call your Field Representative or Michael Poirier at 1-800-852-3792, or 603 223-3639.

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