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NCSL Public Private Partnership on Disaster Mitigation and Recovery ***Winter Convening***

The Westin Austin Downtown, 310 E 5th St
Room: Vaughan
Austin, TX
January 17-18, 2020

Friday, Jan. 17, 2020	
7:30-8:30 a.m.	Registration
8:30 – 8:45 a.m.	Welcome & Introductions
8:45-9:45 a.m.	<p>Mitigation and Recovery in Texas</p> <p>Participants will hear how Texas is making use of over \$12 billion in CDBG and FEMA grants. Texas is one of few states piloting the new CDBG-Mitigation grants and pursuing new mitigation programs to be more competitive for FEMA’s new Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities program. Panelists will detail how this federal funding coordinates with Senate Bill 7, creating the Texas Infrastructure Resilience Fund (TIRF) for disaster relief and flood mitigation projects.</p> <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mary Elen Williams – Director, Government Relations in Disaster Recovery, Texas General Land Office <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • George P. Bush – Commissioner, the Texas General Land Office • Heather Lagrone – Director of Disaster Recovery, Texas General Land Office
9:45-10:00 a.m.	Break
10:00-11:00 a.m.	<p>Make it Rain: Disaster Spending Across Public and Private Sector</p> <p>After hearing about the role and use of federal grants on the state level in Texas, participants will consider two other components of covering disaster costs – via state spending and private insurance. Experts from The Pew Charitable Trusts and the American Property Casualty Insurance Association (APCIA) will give attendees an idea of how to cover the costs of disasters both within and beyond state budgets.</p> <p>Moderator:</p>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sean Hamel – Principal Program Evaluator, Program Evaluation Division, North Carolina General Assembly Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Colin Foard - Associate Manager, Fiscal Federalism Initiative, The Pew Charitable Trusts• Don Griffin – Department Vice President, Personal Lines, American Property Casualty Insurance Association (APCIA)
11:00-11:15 a.m.	Break
11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	The Role of EMAC and Interstate Agreements <p>Participants will hear an overview of the Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) as well as examples of interstate mutual aid agreements that go beyond the EMAC structure and facilitate emergency services at times when individual state capacity may be overwhelmed during recovery.</p> Moderator: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rep. Eric Hutchings – Co-Chair, NCSL Law, Criminal Justice, and Public Safety Committee Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Joyce Flinn – Director and Homeland Security Advisor, Iowa Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management• Chief Kim Zagaris – Wildfire Policy and Technology Advisor, Western Fire Chiefs Association; International Association of Fire Chiefs EMAC Representative
12:15-1:15	Lunch in The Gallery
1:15-2:00	Mitigation Saves: International Code Council <p>A representative from the International Code Council will discuss key findings from the International Code Council’s 2017 report – Mitigation Saves – which details a ratio of 1:6 for dollars spent on mitigation measures to dollars saved in disaster damage. The session will cover specific state policy examples relating to building codes and standards.</p> Moderator: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sen. Michael Moore – Chair, Massachusetts Joint Committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security Speaker:



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ryan Colker – VP of Innovation, the International Code Council; Executive Director, Alliance for National and Community Resilience
2:00-3:00	<p>Mitigation Measures: Critical Infrastructure Resilience</p> <p>Critical infrastructure resilience is key to an efficient recovery following a storm. Communities grind to a halt in the absence of reliable electric power and communications capabilities – affecting transportation, sanitation, nutrition, security and beyond. Participants will hear from American Electric Power (AEP) on utility resilience during Hurricane Harvey and from FirstNet on how their public-private partnership is making communications more resilient during catastrophic events in Texas and nationwide.</p> <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Susan Roth, P.E., PMP, M. – ASCE Texas Section President <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Thomas Randall – Senior Public Safety Advisor, First Responder Network Authority• Judith Talavera – President and Chief Operating Officer, AEP Texas
3:00-3:15	Break
3:15-4:15	<p>Working Group Breakout Sessions</p> <p>Working groups will meet to discuss the day’s programming, review draft best practices, and offer insights from their unique backgrounds on the partnership’s major focus areas. Groups will report out for discussion with the full steering committee.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Interstate Agreements – Led by Rep. Hutchings2) Federal-State Spending – Led by Sean Hamel3) Infrastructure Resilience – Led by Sen. Moore
4:15	Adjourn
5:30-7:00	<p>Reception at the Capitol</p> <p>Followed by dinner on your own</p>
9:30-10:30	NCSL Foundation for State Legislatures Dessert Reception



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Saturday, Jan. 18, 2020

8:00-10:30 a.m.

Steering Committee Site Visit

ICON: 3D Printing Temporary Housing

****8:15am Departure from Westin Lobby****

The steering committee will depart from the Westin Austin Downtown for a site visit at ICON in Austin, to see an example of how private sector innovations are solving disaster challenges. [ICON](#) is a construction technology company tackling the global housing crisis by using 3D printing to deliver resilient, dignified housing faster, more affordably, and with less waste. In the past 18 months, ICON has delivered the first permitted 3D printed house in America (and have printed several more since), built the world's largest mobile 3D printer, cut the time to build homes by 50% and reduced the cost by 20%. The steering committee will see ICON's robotics lab and then head to Community First Austin to see the houses in use.

Attendees will meet in the Westin lobby and shuttle to ICON as a group - **departure will be at 8:15am.**