



MEMBER UPDATE May 15, 2015

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I. Message From NHMA President Ed Thomas

I want to bring the attached Report: Bounce Forward that can be found at to the attention of all of you folks. This document gives a wonderful explanation of the concept of Resilience; and most especially a) clearly includes both the concept of Disaster Risk Reduction as part of the concept of Resilience, as well as b) clearly including the need to take into account the need to include the most underrepresented parts of our Society as we tackle the problems swirling around Climate Adaptation. We have received permission from the folks at Island Press to post the document on our website for recommended reading. I have also offered to work with them on the next steps to be taken as this effort goes into higher gear. I plan to incorporate at least a mention of this Report into my presentations at the National Adaptation Forum, and recommend that all of you make a regular habit of also mentioning this Report. May I also add that the attached NAACP Report Equity in Building Resilience in Adaptation Planning also well worth reading and promoting in all we do, especially in the disaster Risk Reduction Ambassador Curriculum, now under development; and at the Hazard Mitigation Practitioners Symposium in July. Please see below. (for the pdf links, you may need to copy and paste into your address bar to read).

<http://nhma.info/wp-content/uploads/2012/10/Bounce-Forward.pdf>

http://nhma.info/wpcontent/uploads/2012/10/Equity_in_Resilience_Building_Climate_Adaptation_Indicators_FINAL1.pdf

II. Items of Particular Importance

1.) Information on the Federal Flood Risk Management Standards: Please see link below:

<http://nhma.info/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/FederalFloodRiskStandards-v.4-ET-3-5-6-15.pdf>

2.) Reforming US Disaster Policy to Prepare for a Riskier Future
<http://recoverydiva.com/2015/05/10/reforming-us-disaster-policy>

3.) Reflections on Value of a Professor
<http://recoverydiva.com/2015/05/10/reflections-on-value-of-a-professor/>

4.) Should There Be Global Disaster Insurance?
<http://recoverydiva.com/2015/05/04/should-there-be-global-disaster-insurance/>

III Online Courses

1.) Bayesian Modeling for Socio-Environmental Data Hosted by:
The National Socio-Environmental Synthesis Center (SESYNC)
Annapolis, Maryland, USA August 19–28, 2015
Application deadline: May 29, 2015
Additional information:
<http://nhma.info/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/Bayesian-Modeling-for-Socio.pdf>

IV Major Articles & Editorials

1.) Ana
Tropical Depression Ana: First storm of the season, earlier than expected.
The NHC has issued its final advisory on this system.
<http://www.nhc.noaa.gov>

V Jobs

1.) Jobs in Nepal Details – Please see the listing of available jobs in Nepal.
<http://nhma.info/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/NepalJobsdocx-copy.pdf>

2.) Food Recovery Network is looking for an Executive Director to oversee our rapidly expanding organization, and take Food Recovery Network to the next level. As the first leader of FRN that is not the Founder, the Executive Director will be responsible for crafting and setting priorities for the organization going forward, while maintaining the growth trajectory that the Board and founding team has set. Interested applicants should submit a cover letter, resume, and an additional sheet containing three references, salary history, and any compensation requirements to hire@foodrecoverynetwork.org.

3.) Green Chemistry Database Design Summer Job - EPA – Cincinnati, Ohio
The EPA Environmental Research and Business Support program is hiring for a full-time summer position within the EPA in Cincinnati, Ohio! We're looking for master's students who are currently enrolled in green chemistry or sustainability programs. Tasks will include developing a green chemistry synthesis route database, including a module for sustainable chemistry considerations, and other administrative and communications-related tasks. Qualifications include: Currently pursuing a master's degree in

chemistry/sustainability, experience in chemical assessment of safer alternative chemicals, proficiency in Microsoft Office applications, and strong writing, oral and communication skills. The position is expected to start in May/June 2015 and end September 2015. Apply today! For more information, and to access the application, visit our website: www.orau.org/epa. Questions? Email EPAJobs@orau.org To hear more about position openings like this, follow us on Twitter at [@GovCareerPaths](https://twitter.com/GovCareerPaths).

4.) [Organic Health Response](#), a growing, community-based organization in Kenya, is looking for an Executive Director. Their work supports the health and environmental resilience of a fishing community. All the details about the position and how to apply can be found on the [OHR website](#). Please distribute widely!

5.) Department of Recreation, Sport, and Tourism at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign has two years of funding for a doctoral student to work 10 hr/wk as a teaching assistant and 10 hrs/wk as a research assistant. The assistantship would include a modest stipend and tuition waiver. For more information, please contact me, Matt Browning, at bmatth17@vt.edu or 540-315-7095 (call or text is fine). Interested students should do so immediately so that they can start the application process for August 2015 admissions.

6.) Interested in the environment, working in a federal facility and living in a cool location? The EPA Environmental Research and Business Support Program is hiring! We currently have four open positions in a variety of environmental disciplines and academic levels: http://aess.info/content.aspx?page_id=22&club_id=939971&module_id=165353

Note to our members:

With your member support and involvement, we look forward to continuing the promotion of natural hazard risk reduction and climate adaptation through a Whole Community approach. Please consider supporting this mission by maintaining your membership (which can be renewed [here](#)) or through a tax-deductible donation (which can be done [here](#)). If you prefer to donate via check, please download [this form](#).

Note about website changes:

In an effort to better serve our membership, some changes have been made to our [website](#). Job post submissions can now be made online using the link at the top of the [job post page](#). Also, NHMA's work is made possible by the dedication of volunteers. Please visit our [volunteer page](#) and consider contributing your time to the cause of natural hazard risk reduction.

Please remember to send any mitigation related announcements, articles, and resources to nathazma@gmail.com for inclusion in our updates.