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TO: County Emergency Management Directors

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SUBJECT: HAZARD ANALYSIS FOR THE STATE OF WISCONSIN

Enclosed is a copy of the Hazard Analysis for the State of Wisconsin. It contains information about a variety of hazards that affect Wisconsin. Most of the data is current through 2001. The information and data sources contained in the document should be useful in updating your county hazard analysis. As you know, a hazard analysis is the basis for developing effective emergency operations and mitigation plans.

The Hazard Analysis for the State of Wisconsin is just one available reference for obtaining information for your local hazard analysis. Other useful sources of information include local land use plans, hazardous materials response plans, and local disaster history. Newspaper stories and county dispatch records are also potential resources.

Geographic information system technology (GIS) is another emergency planning tool that emergency management directors should consider using. More than just making maps, GIS is a technology that can accurately describe location data and analyze spatial relationships. GIS can be useful for visualizing hazard data and producing maps that can help keep the public informed. Local resources for GIS information include the county Land Information Officer.

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