**Lessons Learned Information Sharing (LLIS) Program
Consolidation Q&A 2015**

GENERAL QUESTIONS

What is changing with the Lessons Learned Information Sharing (*LLIS.gov*) website?
This spring, the *LLIS.gov* website will cease independent operations and will consolidate its content with the Homeland Security Digital Library (HSDL.org) and FEMA.gov. Trend analyses, case studies on the use of FEMA preparedness grants, and links to LLIS Webinar Wednesdays will be transferring to a new Lessons Learned Information Sharing (LLIS) page on FEMA.gov. Lessons learned and innovative practice documents as well as user-submitted content will be consolidated onto HSDL.org.

When is this consolidation taking place?
Consolidation efforts will begin this spring and continue throughout 2015.

What is HSDL?
HSDL stands for the Homeland Security Digital Library, found at HSDL.org. The HSDL is a collection of documents related to homeland security policy, strategy, and organizational management that are carefully selected by a team of librarians and content specialists. Sponsored by FEMA and the Naval Postgraduate School's Center for Homeland Defense and Security, the public collection includes over 137,000 public documents.

How will the consolidation to HSDL.org benefit me?
One of the advantages of this move is that *LLIS.gov* content from state and local responders, such as lessons learned and innovative practice documents, after-action reports, plans, templates, guides, and other materials will be consolidated with the already substantial database on HSDL.org. This will allow the homeland security and the emergency management communities to find relevant information in one place.

What do I need to do to prepare for the consolidation?
FEMA will transfer user-submitted content from *LLIS.gov* to HSDL.org. If you submitted content to *LLIS.gov* and would like it to move to HSDL.org, no further action is necessary. If you submitted content to *LLIS.gov*, but do not want your content transferred to HSDL.org, please email FEMA-lessonslearned@fema.dhs.gov before May 15, 2015. ***Please note that documents on HSDL.org will have similar security restrictions to *LLIS.gov*.

If I submitted content to *LLIS.gov* but *do not* want it transferred to the HSDL, what should I do?

If you submitted content to *LLIS.gov* that you *do not* want transferred to HSDL.org, email FEMA-lessonslearned@fema.dhs.gov before May 15, 2015. If you submitted content to *LLIS.gov* and would like it to move to HSDL.org, no further action is necessary.

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Where will I be able to find the Authorized Equipment List (AEL)?

The Authorized Equipment List (AEL) is now available in PDF format here and at http://www.fema.gov/grants. For questions about the AEL, please contact your Grant Programs Directorate (GPD) Program Analyst or the Centralized Scheduling Information Desk (CSID). You can reach the CSID by phone at (800) 368-6498 Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m.–5:30 p.m. EST, or by email at askcsid@dhs.gov. FEMA GPD is working to develop interactive functionality on the FEMA website and will provide further communication once this functionality is available.

Where will I be able to find content from the Mitigation Best Practices Page?

Mitigation Best Practices will consolidate its content on its existing FEMA.gov page found here. However, users will no longer be able to submit Best Practices online.

Where will I be able to find content from the Responder Knowledge Base (RKB)?

Content from the RKB will be moved to FirstResponder.gov. You can find out more about FirstResponder.gov by clicking here.

Where will I be able to find content from the Chemical Facility Safety and Security Page?

We are still in the process of determining where to house this content. For additional information please email FEMA-lessonslearned@fema.dhs.gov.

Can I submit documents to HSDL.org like I formerly submitted to *LLIS.gov*? If so, how?

HSDL welcomes all submissions. To submit a document, please email hsdlref@nps.edu. The HSDL team recommends submitting the following types of resources:

- State policy documents including draft copies
- Reports and evaluations
- Lessons learned or after action reports
- Best practices
- Links to websites

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All submissions to HSDL.org are subject to review.

TECHNICAL QUESTIONS

Will I need a username and password to view content formerly on *LLIS.gov*?
The new LLIS page on FEMA.gov, which will house trend analyses, case studies on the use of FEMA preparedness grants, and links to LLIS Webinar Wednesdays, will not require a username and password. Content transferred to HSDL.org will maintain a similar level of accessibility as *LLIS.gov*; documents that required a username and password to view on *LLIS.gov* will also require a username and password to view on HSDL.org. Please visit the HSDL.org login page for more information on creating an account.

Where can I find content on FEMA.gov?
https://www.fema.gov/lessons-learned-information-sharing-program

Where can I find content on the HSDL.org system?
For publicly available documents you can visit HSDL.org and use the search bar. For restricted content, you must login before searching. Please visit the HSDL.org login page for more information on creating an account.

Will I be able to access my *LLIS.gov* channels, internal messages, or subscriptions?
Users can request data by emailing FEMA-lessonslearned@fema.dhs.gov.

Will I still be able to access/use my channels on the HSEEP platform?
This feature will no longer be available. Users can request data by emailing FEMA-lessonslearned@fema.dhs.gov.

Can international applicants access content formerly on *LLIS.gov*?
All content on the new LLIS page on FEMA.gov will be publicly accessible. For content transferred to HSDL.org, users from foreign governments should visit the HSDL.org login page for more information on the application process.

If I have additional questions, whom should I contact?
For additional information or questions, please email FEMA-lessonslearned@fema.dhs.gov.