

Lummi Nation 2020 Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan (MHMP) Update Outreach

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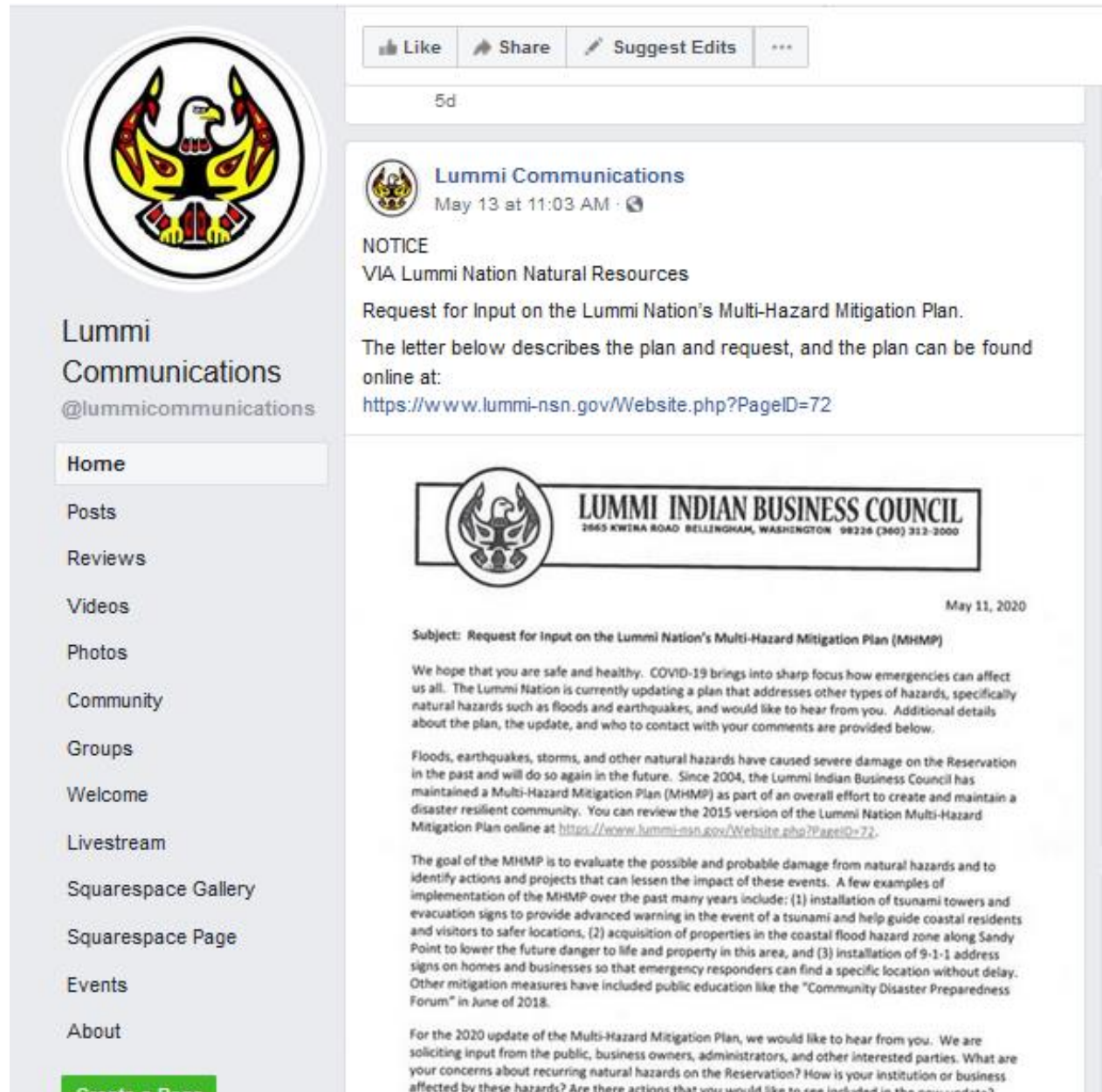
Notice of Lummi Nation Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan (2020) Update – Open for Public Comments

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For the 2020 update of the Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan, we would like to hear from you. We are soliciting input from the public, business owners, administrators, and other interested parties. What are your concerns about recurring natural hazards on the Reservation? How is your institution or business affected by these hazards? Are there actions that you would like to see included in the new update? Please contact Andy Ross in the Lummi Nation Natural Resources Department with your comments by June 15, 2020. He can be reached by phone (360-312-2289), email (andyr@lummi-nsn.gov), or mail (below).

Lummi Nation Natural Resources Department
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The image is a screenshot of a Facebook post from the page 'Lummi Communications'. The profile picture is a circular logo featuring a stylized eagle with yellow and red wings. The page name is 'Lummi Communications' with the handle '@lummicommunications'. A navigation menu on the left includes 'Home', 'Posts', 'Reviews', 'Videos', 'Photos', 'Community', 'Groups', 'Welcome', 'Livestream', 'Spaces Gallery', 'Spaces Page', 'Events', and 'About'. The post itself is from 'Lummi Communications' dated May 13 at 11:03 AM. The text of the post is a notice regarding a request for input on the Lummi Nation's Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan. It includes a link to the plan's website. Below the text is a logo for the 'LUMMI INDIAN BUSINESS COUNCIL' with the address '2665 KWENA ROAD, BELLINGHAM, WASHINGTON 98226 (360) 312-2000'. The date 'May 11, 2020' is visible. The notice text reads: 'Subject: Request for input on the Lummi Nation's Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan (MHMP) We hope that you are safe and healthy. COVID-19 brings into sharp focus how emergencies can affect us all. The Lummi Nation is currently updating a plan that addresses other types of hazards, specifically natural hazards such as floods and earthquakes, and would like to hear from you. Additional details about the plan, the update, and who to contact with your comments are provided below. Floods, earthquakes, storms, and other natural hazards have caused severe damage on the Reservation in the past and will do so again in the future. Since 2004, the Lummi Indian Business Council has maintained a Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan (MHMP) as part of an overall effort to create and maintain a disaster resilient community. You can review the 2015 version of the Lummi Nation Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan online at https://www.lummi-nsn.gov/Website.php?PageID=72. The goal of the MHMP is to evaluate the possible and probable damage from natural hazards and to identify actions and projects that can lessen the impact of these events. A few examples of implementation of the MHMP over the past many years include: (1) installation of tsunami towers and evacuation signs to provide advanced warning in the event of a tsunami and help guide coastal residents and visitors to safer locations, (2) acquisition of properties in the coastal flood hazard zone along Sandy Point to lower the future danger to life and property in this area, and (3) installation of 9-1-1 address signs on homes and businesses so that emergency responders can find a specific location without delay. Other mitigation measures have included public education like the "Community Disaster Preparedness Forum" in June of 2018. For the 2020 update of the Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan, we would like to hear from you. We are soliciting input from the public, business owners, administrators, and other interested parties. What are your concerns about recurring natural hazards on the Reservation? How is your institution or business affected by these hazards? Are there actions that you would like to see included in the new update?' The post has interaction buttons for 'Like', 'Share', and 'Suggest Edits'.

Text of Directed Emails to Institutions and Businesses on the Reservation

From: Andy M. Ross

Sent: Friday, May 15, 2020 1:12 PM

Subject: Request for Input on the Lummi Nation's Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan

Hello,

I hope everyone is doing well.

I am writing to let you know that the Lummi Nation is seeking public comment on their Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan (Plan) for 2020. The Plan identifies natural hazards such as earthquakes and floods, and identifies mitigation measures that increase the resilience of the community. Please see the attached letter for more information about the Plan and how to comment. For your convenience, the link in the attached letter that leads to the 2015 Plan is provided below.

<https://www.lummi-nsn.gov/Website.php?PageID=72>

Sincerely,
Andy

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Letter Requesting Input on the 2020 MHMP Update posted to Facebook and attached to the directed emails.



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