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QuakeSmart/Ready Business Convergence – A New and Winning Combination

FLASH is now accepting registrations for *Ready Business* and *QuakeSmart* Workshops in Renton, WA and San Juan and Mayaguez, Puerto Rico. The workshops that are scheduled for August will be the first time that the *Ready Business QuakeSmart* and *Power Outage Toolkits* will be co-presented.

FEMA Director for Safety, Planning & Building Science Division at FIMA Risk Management Directorate Ed Laatsch commented on the program evolution, “*QuakeSmart* is a proven outreach program, so we are pleased to see the model approach applied to other hazards.”

The Renton workshop will take place on Aug. 2. Partners for this workshop are FEMA, the Cascadia Region Earthquake Workgroup, King County Emergency Management, DRB Toolkit, and the Washington Emergency Management Division.

The Puerto Rico events will be the first *Ready Business Workshops* presented bilingually—English and Spanish. The dates and locations are Aug. 8 in San Juan and Aug. 10 in Mayaguez. Partners for the Puerto Rico workshops are Legacy Partners Simpson Strong-Tie Co. and FEMA along with Red Sísmica de Puerto Rico, PREMA, and DRB Toolkit.

Other *Ready Business Workshops* scheduled for this year include Binghamton, NY, Tampa, FL, and Oklahoma City, OK. Visit www.flash.org/readybusiness to register, or email Barbara Harrison, Barbara@flash.org, for more information.