



Cheyenne County, Kit Carson County, Larimer County, Lincoln County, Logan County, Morgan County, Phillips County, Sedgwick County, Washington County, Weld County, Yuma County

Region area: 22,444 sq. miles    Region population: 640,574 (2010 Census)

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I am writing in my capacity of spokesman for the Northeast Colorado Emergency Managers group Ready Northeast to fully endorse and strongly support the Red Guide Disaster Recovery Guidebook project.

The Emergency Managers of the northeast Colorado region have a continuing interest in assisting the citizens of Colorado to recover back to a normal state after a disaster or emergency incident. Disasters and emergency incidents can happen any time and any place. Colorado and our region specifically, were subject to large wildland fires in 2012 that destroyed hundreds of homes. Our region is also vulnerable to floods, tornadoes and other disasters that will destroy homes and property.

Many disasters and emergency events cause our citizens to lose their homes and all of its contents. After the shelters close and the responders leave the citizens are many times left with little or inadequate information on what to do next.

The Red Guide Disaster Recovery guidebook fulfills that need. The guidebook provides step by step direction in how to proceed during a time of great duress.

The Northeast Colorado Emergency Managers plan to distribute these guidebooks to emergency responders in each of the regions eleven counties. The guidebooks will then be available for immediate distribution to citizens who have experienced a devastating loss. A cache of the guidebooks will also be kept by the Northeast Colorado Regional State Emergency Management Coordinator giving the region the ability to distribute a large amount of the guide books after a substantial disaster in our region.

Having all of these reasons in mind, the Northeast Colorado Emergency Managers group unhesitatingly recommends and supports the Red Guide Disaster Recovery guidebook project.

Respectfully submitted,

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On behalf of the Northeast Colorado Emergency Managers group Ready Northeast:

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