

Adrian Freund, FAICP

Bio

Adrian Freund, FAICP is the Principal of FA-Northwest Planning and Codes, LLC, a multi-disciplinary consulting practice founded in 2011 and located in the Portland, Oregon Area.

Adrian has 45 years of planning experience in the public and private sectors in 12 states across the nation and has led and created several planning and environmental agencies.

Adrian is a former two term national APA Director and Past President of the Nevada and Wisconsin Chapters. He is a Past Chair of the APA Divisions Council, Past President of the Environmental Planning Division and Past Vice-Chair of the Chapter Presidents Council. Mr. Freund has worked with the legislatures of five states on planning and environmental legislation. He has formulated new development codes and comprehensive plans for Louisville, Kentucky (form-based), Austin, Texas, Washoe County, Nevada and Madison, Wisconsin. Significant areas of planning focus include best management practices and land uses for sensitive watersheds in Madison, Austin and Lake Tahoe (Nevada/California). He also led the Long Island Sound Study as a key representative for the State of Connecticut. He worked extensively with Connecticut and APA on amending the Clean Water and Coastal Zone Management Acts.

Adrian has a variety of FEMA certifications and has been Planning Section Chief of a large Emergency Operations Center (EOC). He has focused on disaster planning and mitigation for earthquakes and wildfires.

Position Statement

Planners have taken on increasingly important positions in disaster planning, mitigation and response over the past two decades. Our Emergency Operations Centers have a Planning Section that plays a critical role in disaster planning, mitigation, response and recovery.

Planners are a key participant in the FEMA disaster template and work side by side with first responders, infrastructure professionals and policy makers to prepare plans that make our communities more resilient.

The HMDR Planning Division develops policies and shares planning approaches for disaster-resistant and resilient communities whether the disasters are hurricanes, severe storms, earthquakes or wildfires.

APA's engagement with natural disasters strengthened around the response to Katrina in 2005. HMDR has enjoyed outstanding leadership and has many accomplishments. I commit to bring my APA Division and professional hazard mitigation experience to continue and build upon the important work of HMDR in this time of increasing natural disasters.