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“Dear Utility Partners:

To assist with the drafting of a 2024 Wildfire Mitigation Plan (WMP) following the recently released template, Washington Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has partnered with Guidehouse, a third-party consultant with wildfire mitigation expertise, to offer technical assistance as needed during the drafting process. Technical assistance can include, but is not limited to:

- 1. Questions about specific sections or what type of information to include;*
- 2. Structure and organization of information;*
- 3. Applicability and transfer of previous Wildfire Mitigation Plan information into the new template;*
- 4. Definitions and clarification on inputs or language in the WMP template;*
- 5. Utilizing the Appendix, and;*
- 6. General review, assurance check on final draft prior to upload.*

Because DNR does not have regulatory oversight of the WMP or submissions by utilities, Guidehouse cannot provide guidance on what a utility should include. Rather, Guidehouse will assist with structure, definitions, and organization of existing wildfire mitigation strategies utilized by the utility.

If any technical assistance is needed, please contact Bryan Perrenod at Bryan.Perrenod@dnr.wa.gov to schedule a time or to submit questions via email.”

Thank you