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Re draft Disaster Resilience Strategy

Dear Lynley,

Thank you for the opportunity to review the draft framework and background paper from a human impact and community services perspective.

Red Cross has long advocated for a more coordinated approach to disaster resilience and this draft framework is an excellent initiative in that direction.

There is very little in the draft where we would disagree with the current content. We have however offered some suggestions or questions related to clarity of meaning or the nature of existing activities.

The continuing lack of a community sector voice in state level emergency management has however been noted as this could have an impact of the implementation of the framework. We have also noted areas where we would recommend a different weighting for non-financial social impacts and the value of social capital in disaster resilience.

As discussed, a combination of wording examples and explanatory comments have been included in the attached documents. If there is a different format that would make your editing easier, or further clarification required please let me know.

Regards,

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