



FEMA

September 16, 2020

Stephanie A. Smith, State Hazard Mitigation Officer
Vermont Emergency Management
45 State Drive
Waterbury, Vermont 05671-1300

Dear Ms. Smith:

As outlined in the FEMA-State Agreement for FEMA-DR-4474, your office has been delegated the authority to review and approve local mitigation plans under the Program Administration by States Pilot Program. Our Agency has been notified that your office completed its review of the Town of Wilmington Local Hazard Mitigation Plan and approved it effective **July 28, 2020** through **July 27, 2025** in accordance with the planning requirements of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (Stafford Act), as amended, the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended, and Title 44 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 201.

With this plan approval, the jurisdiction is eligible to apply to Vermont Emergency Management for mitigation grants administered by FEMA. Requests for funding will be evaluated according to the eligibility requirements identified for each of these programs. A specific mitigation activity or project identified in this community's plan may not meet the eligibility requirements for FEMA funding; even eligible mitigation activities or projects are not automatically approved.

The plan must be updated and resubmitted to the FEMA Region I Mitigation Division for approval every five years to remain eligible for FEMA mitigation grant funding.

Thank you for your continued commitment and dedication to risk reduction demonstrated by preparing and adopting a strategy for reducing future disaster losses. Should you have any questions, please contact Melissa Surette at (617) 956-7559 or Melissa.Surette@fema.dhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Captain W. Russ Webster, USCG (Ret.), CEM
Regional Administrator
FEMA Region I

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cc: Ben Rose, Recovery and Mitigation Section Chief, VEM