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Mrs. Leslie R. Kennedy
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Attention: Ms. Amanda LeMaster, Acting State Hazard Mitigation Officer

Reference: Regional Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan: Jackson Purchase Area
Development District (PADD)

Dear Mrs. Kennedy:

We are pleased to inform you that the Jackson Purchase Area Development District (PADD) Regional Hazard Mitigation Multi-jurisdictional Plan Update is in compliance with the Federal Hazard Mitigation Planning standards resulting from the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, as contained in 44 CFR 201.6. The Plan is approved for a period of five (5) years, to January 9, 2018.

This Plan approval extends to the following participating jurisdictions that provided copies of their resolutions adopting the Plan:

- Ballard County Uninc.
- City of La Center
- City of Murray
- City of Bardwell
- City of Hickman
- City of Wingo
- Marshall County Uninc.
- City of Hardin
- City of Barlow
- City of Wickliffe
- Carlisle County Uninc.
- Fulton County Uninc.
- Graves County Uninc.
- City of Clinton
- City of Benton
- City of Paducah
- City of Kevil
- Calloway County Uninc.
- City of Arlington
- City of Fulton
- City of Mayfield
- City of Columbus
- City of Calvert City

The city of Hazel, as well as the unincorporated counties of Hickman and McCracken also participated in the development of the Jackson Purchase ADD plan update. When those jurisdictions have submitted their own adoption resolutions, we will be able to add them as eligible applicants under the Plan.

The approved participating jurisdictions are hereby eligible applicants through the State for the following Mitigation Grant programs administered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA):

- Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)
- Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM)
- Severe Repetitive Loss (SRL)
- Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA)

A fifth program, Repetitive Flood Claims (RFC), does not have a requirement for a local Hazard Mitigation Plan. National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) participation is required for some programs.

We commend the participants in the PADD plan for the development of a solid, workable plan that will guide Hazard Mitigation activities over the coming years. Please note that all requests for funding will be evaluated individually according to the specific eligibility and other requirements of the particular program under which the application is submitted.

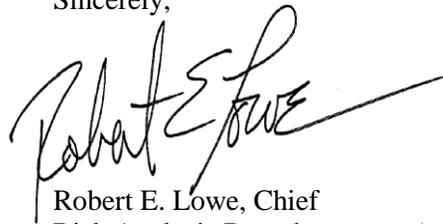
For example, a specific Mitigation activity or project identified in the plan may not meet the eligibility requirements for FEMA funding, and even eligible Mitigation activities are not automatically approved for FEMA funding under any of the aforementioned programs. We strongly encourage each Community to perform an annual review and assessment of the effectiveness of their Hazard Mitigation Plan; however, a formal Plan update is required at least every five (5) years.

We also encourage each Community to conduct a Plan update process within one (1) year of being included within a Presidential Disaster Declaration or of the adoption of major modifications to their local Comprehensive Land Use Plan or other plans that affect Hazard Mitigation or land use and development.

When the Plan is amended or revised, it must be resubmitted through the State as a "Plan Update" and is subject to a formal review and approval process by our office. If the Plan is not updated prior to the required five (5) year update, please ensure that the draft update is submitted at least six (6) months prior to expiration of this Plan.

The State and the participants in the PADD plan should be commended for their close coordination and communications with our office in the review and subsequent approval of the Plan. If you or the PADD have any questions or need any additional information please do not hesitate to contact HMA Specialist, Jean Neptune, of the Hazard Mitigation Assistance Branch, at (770) 220-5474, or Linda L. Byers of my staff at (770)-220-5498.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert E. Lowe", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Robert E. Lowe, Chief
Risk Analysis Branch
Mitigation Division