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Dear Ms. Oates:

We would like to acknowledge the participating jurisdictions and the State of Vermont for their dedication and commitment to mitigation planning. The Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Region I Mitigation Planning Team has completed its review of the Town and Village of Waterbury, Vermont 2018 Local Hazard Mitigation Plan and determined it meets the requirements of 44 C.F.R. Pt. 201.

This plan approval includes the following participating jurisdictions that provided copies of their resolutions adopting the plan.

Town of Waterbury
Village of Waterbury

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

Approved mitigation plans are eligible for points under the National Flood Insurance Program's Community Rating System (CRS). Complete information regarding the CRS can be found at <u>http://www.fema.gov/national-flood-insurance-program-community-rating-system</u>, or through your local floodplain administrator.

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The Town and Village of Waterbury, Vermont 2018 Local Hazard Mitigation Plan must be reviewed, revised as appropriate, and resubmitted to FEMA for approval within **five years of the plan approval date of March 14, 2018** in order to maintain eligibility for mitigation grant funding. We encourage these communities to continually update the plan's assessment of vulnerability, adhere to its maintenance schedule, and implement, when possible, the mitigation actions proposed in the plan.

Once again, thank you for your continued dedication to public service demonstrated by preparing and adopting a strategy for reducing future disaster losses. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Melissa Surette at (617) 956-7559.

Sincere Paul

Acting Regional Administrator

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cc: Ben Rose, Recovery and Mitigation Section Chief, VT DEMHS Stephanie Smith, Hazard Mitigation Planner, VT DEMHS

Enclosure