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Whitney Welch State Hazard Mitigation Officer NH Department of Safety Homeland Security and Emergency Management 33 Hazen Drive Concord, NH 03303

Dear Ms. Welch:

We would like to acknowledge the Town of Webster and the State of New Hampshire for their dedication and commitment to mitigation planning.

As outlined in the FEMA-State Agreement for FEMA-DR-4316 your office has been delegated the authority to review and approve local mitigation plans under the Program Administration by States Pilot Program. On **October 9, 2018** our Agency was notified that your office completed its review of the Town of Webster New Hampshire Hazard Mitigation Plan Update 2018 and determined it meets the requirements of 44 C.F.R. Pt. 201.

With this plan approval, the Town of Webster is eligible to apply to New Hampshire Homeland Security and Emergency Management 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 http://www.fema.gov/national-flood-insurance-program-community-rating-system, or through your local floodplain administrator.

The Town of Webster New Hampshire Hazard Mitigation Plan Update 2018 must be reviewed, revised as appropriate, and resubmitted to New Hampshire Homeland Security and Emergency Management for approval within five years of the plan approval date of October 9, 2018 in order to maintain eligibility for mitigation grant funding. We encourage the Town 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.

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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.

Sincerely,

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Acting Deputy Regional Administrator

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