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Mr. Chris Crew, CFM State Hazard Mitigation Officer Hazard Mitigation Branch Chief NC Department of Public Safety Division of Emergency Management 4238 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4238

Reference: Multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan: High Country Regional

Dear Mr. Crew:

This is to confirm that we have completed a Federal review of the High Country Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update for compliance with the Federal hazard mitigation planning requirements contained in 44 CFR 201.6(b)-(d). We have determined that the High Country Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan update is compliant with Federal requirements, subject to formal community adoption.

In order for our office to issue formal approval of the plan, the High Country Regional Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee must submit adoption documentation and document that the final public meeting occurred.

Upon submittal of these items to our office, we will issue formal approval of the High Country Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan. Please have High Country Regional Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee submit a final copy of their Plan, without draft notations and track changes.

For further information, please do not hesitate to contact Shemeeka Hopkins, of the Hazard Mitigation Assistance Branch, at (770) 220-8788 or Darlene Booker, of my staff, at (770) 220-5404.

Sincerely,

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