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MISSISSIPPI EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

LEE W. SMITHSON
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

March 1, 2017

Mr. Trey Baxter
Madison County Board of Supervisors
P.O. Box 608
Canton, Mississippi 39046

RE: Madison County Single-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan

Dear Mr. Baxter:

I am pleased to inform you that the Madison County Single-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan is in compliance with the federal hazard mitigation planning standards of the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 as contained in 44 CFR 201.6. This plan is approved for a period of 5 years, with an effective approval date to February 28, 2022.

The Unincorporated Areas of Madison County become an eligible applicant through the State of Mississippi for the following mitigation grant programs administered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency:

- Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)
- Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM)
- Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA)

National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) participation is required for some programs.

We commend you, and the efforts of the Central Mississippi Planning and Development District for crafting a solid, workable plan that will guide hazard mitigation activities in your community over the coming years. Please note that all mitigation project 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

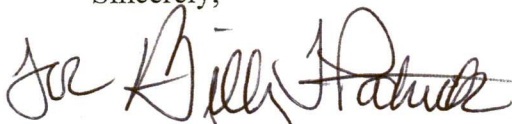
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the eligibility requirements for FEMA funding, and even eligible mitigation activities are not automatically approved for FEMA funding under any of the aforementioned programs.

We strongly encourage the Unincorporated Areas of Madison County to perform an annual review and assessment of the effectiveness of their hazard mitigation plan. However, a formal plan update is only required every five (5) years. We also encourage the Unincorporated Areas of Madison County to conduct a plan update process within one 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 of Mississippi as a "plan update" and is subject to a formal review and approval process by FEMA. If the plan is not updated prior to the required five-year update, please ensure that a draft update is submitted six (6) months prior to expiration of this plan approval.

Again, I commend you, and the Central Mississippi Planning and Development District for the development, review, and subsequent approval of your plan.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lee W. Smithson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line through the middle.

Lee W. Smithson
Governor's Authorized Representative

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