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## PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY



Ronald E. Gill, Jr.  
Director

June 7, 2023

The Honorable Thomas E. Dernoga  
Chair  
Prince George's County Council  
Wayne K. Curry Administration Building  
Largo, Maryland 20774

Dear Chair Dernoga:

Enclosed for the Prince George's County Council's consideration is a Resolution endorsing the adoption of an updated County-wide Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP). This plan is required by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to remain eligible for Federal mitigation assistance for natural disasters. Prince George's County Hazard Mitigation Plan was approved by Prince George's County through CR-20-2005, and an updated Hazard Mitigation Plan was approved in 2010 through CR-34-2010.

The purpose of the Hazard Mitigation Plan is to identify threats and capabilities and develop mitigation actions that aid in the preservation of life and the reduction of risks and damage to property. The Office of Homeland Security (OHS) has updated the County HMP in collaboration with the Department of Environment (DoE) and other County agencies; and our partnering municipality included the City of Laurel and Dewberry, the lead consultant. Feedback was collected via public forums, community events, social media postings, and via the Prince George's County website. The plan has met all the requirements of the new Local Hazard Mitigation Planning Policy Guide (2022). The County has received Approvable Pending Adoption (APA) status from FEMA to initiate the adoption process.

The Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 requires states and local governments have an approved and adopted hazard mitigation plan to maintain eligibility for pre and post disaster mitigation grant funding. The updated Hazard Mitigation Plan has been approved by Maryland Emergency Management Agency and FEMA, thus confirming its compliance with State and Federal rules and regulations governing local hazard mitigation plans.

The Council's favorable consideration of this legislation is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact my office or Ronald Gill, Jr., Director, Office of Homeland Security, at 301-324-4400.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures