

Emily Drosselmeyer Deputy State Hazard Mitigation Officer DHSEM, Office of Emergency Management 9195 E. Mineral Ave., Centennial, CO 80112

Re: "Statement of Intent to Participate" in the Arapahoe County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP)

Dear Ms. Drosselmeyer,

In accordance with the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) requirements, under 44 CFR §201.6, which specifically identify criteria that allow for multi-jurisdictional mitigation plans, Arapahoe County is submitting this letter of intent to confirm that the County has agreed to participate in the Arapahoe County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Planning effort.

Further, as a condition to participating in the mitigation planning, Arapahoe County agrees to meet the requirements for mitigation plans identified in 44 CFR §201.6 and to provide such cooperation as is necessary and in a timely manner to the Colorado Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to complete the plan in conformance with FEMA requirements.

Arapahoe County understands that it must engage in the following planning process, as more fully described in FEMA's *Local Mitigation Planning Handbook* dated April 2023 including, but not limited to:

- Identification of hazards unique to the jurisdiction;
- The conduct of a vulnerability analysis and an identification of risks, where they differ from the general planning area;
- The formulation of mitigation goals responsive to public input and development of mitigation actions complementary to those goals. A range of actions must be identified specific for each jurisdiction;
- Demonstration that there has been proactively offered an opportunity for participation in the planning process by all community stakeholders (examples of participation include relevant involvement in any planning process, attending meetings, contributing research, data, or other information, commenting on drafts of the plan, etc.);
- Documentation of an effective process to maintain and implement the plan;
- Formal adoption of the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan by the jurisdiction's governing body (each jurisdiction must officially adopt the plan).

Therefore, with a full understanding of the obligations incurred by an agreement between the Arapahoe County and the Colorado Office of Emergency Management, I Sheriff Tyler S. Brown, commit Arapahoe County to the Arapahoe County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Planning effort.





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