



October 14, 2009

Honorable Gregory J. Nickels  
Mayor, City of Seattle  
P.O. Box 94749  
Seattle, Washington 98124-4749

Dear Mayor Nickels:

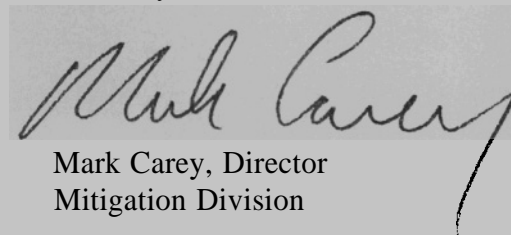
The U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has approved the *Seattle All-Hazards Mitigation Plan* as a local plan as outlined in 44 CFR Part 201. With approval of this plan, the city of Seattle is now eligible to apply for the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act's hazard mitigation project grants and Flood Mitigation Assistance project grants through October 14, 2014.

The plan's approval provides eligibility to apply for hazard mitigation projects through your State. All 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 the eligibility requirements for FEMA funding, and even eligible mitigation activities are not automatically approved for FEMA funding under any of the aforementioned programs.

Over the next five years, we encourage your community to follow the plan's schedule for monitoring and updating the plan, and to develop further mitigation actions. The plan must be reviewed, revised as appropriate, and resubmitted for approval within five years in order to continue project grant eligibility.

If you have questions regarding your plan's approval or FEMA's mitigation grant programs, please contact our State counterpart, Washington Emergency Management Division, which coordinates and administers these efforts for local entities.

Sincerely,



Mark Carey, Director  
Mitigation Division

cc: Mark Stewart, Washington Emergency Management Division

Enclosure

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