



**FEMA**

January 17, 2018

David Catalinotto  
Environmental Management Coordinator  
City of San Rafael  
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Dear Mr. Catalinotto:

We have completed our final review of the *City of San Rafael Local Hazard Mitigation Plan*, officially adopted by the City of San Rafael on November 20, 2017, and found the plan to be in conformance with Title 44 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 201.6 *Local Mitigation Plans*.

The approval of this plan ensures the City of San Rafael's continued eligibility for project grants under FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Assistance programs, including the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program, and Flood Mitigation Assistance Program. All requests for funding, however, will be evaluated individually according to the specific eligibility, and other requirements of the particular program under which applications are submitted.

Also, approved hazard mitigation plans may be eligible for points under the National Flood Insurance Program's Community Rating System (CRS). Additional information regarding the CRS can be found at <https://www.fema.gov/national-flood-insurance-program-community-rating-system> or through your local floodplain manager.

FEMA's approval of the *City of San Rafael Local Hazard Mitigation Plan* is for a period of five years, effective starting the date of this letter. Prior to January 17, 2023, the City of San Rafael is required to review and revise its plan to reflect changes in development, progress in local mitigation efforts, and changes in priorities, and resubmit it for approval in order to continue to be eligible for mitigation project grant funding. The enclosed plan review tool provides additional recommendations to incorporate into the plan when the City of San Rafael undertakes its identified plan maintenance process.

If you have any questions regarding the planning or review processes, please contact Alison Kearns, Senior Community Planner, at (510) 627-7125 or by email at [alison.kearns@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:alison.kearns@fema.dhs.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeffrey D. Lusk". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "L".

Jeffrey D. Lusk  
Division Director  
Mitigation Division  
FEMA Region IX

Enclosure

cc: Jennifer Hogan, State Hazard Mitigation Officer, California Governor's Office of Emergency Services  
Julie Norris, Mitigation and Dam Safety Branch Chief, California Governor's Office of Emergency Services