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Mr. Archie Sheaffer, Chairman
Susquehanna Township, Board of Supervisors
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Dear Mr. Sheaffer:

Susquehanna Township, Pennsylvania's adoption of the Tri-County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan for Juniata County, dated September 02, 2008, has been approved. The Township of Susquehanna is now eligible to apply for federal disaster assistance for five years from the date of this letter.

We reviewed the plan based on the criteria contained in 44 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 201, as authorized by the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (DMA2K). These criteria address the planning process, risk assessment (including hazard identification), mitigation strategy and plan maintenance process requirements.

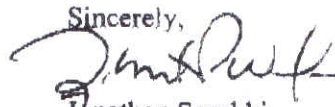
The Tri-County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan for Juniata County received a "satisfactory" rating for all required criteria. However, the DMA2K also includes a provision to encourage communities to continuously strive to improve their plans and resulting mitigation actions. Therefore, the plan must be reviewed, revised if appropriate, and resubmitted for approval within five years of approval in order to continue to be eligible for HMGP project grant funding.

We encourage you to participate in the expansion and documentation of the plan's assessment and analysis of mitigation measures. We also encourage you to follow the schedule for regular evaluation, updating, and monitoring, and have enclosed a list of specific recommendations for improving the plan.

If you have questions about making these improvements, please contact Alan Tamm, State Hazard Mitigation Planner, at (717) 651-2702.

I commend you for your dedication demonstrated in preparing and adopting a strategy to reduce future disaster losses.

Sincerely,



Jonathan Sarubbi
Regional Administrator

Enclosure

cc: David Bollinger, State Hazard Mitigation Officer
John Forr, Acting Director, Bureau of Recovery and Mitigation