

City of Havelock
Department of Planning and Code Enforcement
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RE: CRS ACTIVITY 510 ANNUAL FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT PROGRESS REPORT

Dear Board of Commissioners,

You are receiving this progress report to update you on this past year's floodplain management activities. Specifically, this report satisfies our requirement of Activity 510 of the CRS (Community Rating System) program which will help ensure our citizens maintain their 10% flood insurance discount.

In terms of Hazard Mitigation, the City of Havelock along with Craven County, and the other jurisdictions located within the Pamlico Sound Region completed the update of the *Pamlico Sound Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan* earlier this year. The updated Plan was adopted by the City Board of Commissioners on June 22, 2020 and has since been certified by FEMA. This effort serves as the five-year update to the 2015 Plan, and addresses all CRS requirements that impacted the City's scoring under the last review cycle.

The City continues to implement all activities related to floodplain mitigation and management as outlined within the Plan, as well as the City's CRS activities outlined under the last audit visit.

These efforts have included outreach to all property owners located within the flood hazard area. More specifically, properties which have been deemed repetitive loss as defined by the NFIP program received additional information regarding options for acquiring assistance to mitigate their property from potential threats associated with flooding. The Havelock Planning and Inspections Department has also carried out a consistent program to educate realtors, builders, and contractors about issues associated with floodplain development. These efforts have involved direct mailings to these entities, as well as maintenance of a library of materials in the City Planning Department and the Craven County Public Library located in Havelock.

Aside from all outreach efforts defined under the CRS program, the City has also continued to enforce land development regulations associated with sound floodplain development. This effort includes the two-foot (2') freeboard elevation requirement added in 2019, and consistent enforcement of the City's Floodplain Development Ordinance. In terms of structural mitigation, the City continues to participate with the County on opportunities to elevate structures through the annual Flood Mitigation Assistance program through FEMA.

If you have any questions about the content of this letter please do not hesitate to contact the City of Havelock Planning Department at 252-444-6433.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Katrina F. Marshall".

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Director of Planning and Code Enforcement