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CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

The Honorable Kelly Shaw
Mayor, City of Indianola
Post Office Box 299
Indianola, Iowa 50125

Dear Mayor Shaw:

I commend you for the efforts that have been put forth in implementing the floodplain management measures for the City of Indianola, Iowa, to participate in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). As you implement these measures, I want to emphasize the following:

- a Flood Insurance Study (FIS) and Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) have been completed for your community;
- the FIS and FIRM will become effective on November 16, 2018; and
- by the FIS and FIRM effective date, the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Regional Office is required to approve the legally enforceable floodplain management measures your community adopts in accordance with Title 44 Code of Federal Regulations Section 60.3(d).

As noted in FEMA's letter dated May 16, 2018, no significant changes have been made to the flood hazard data on the Preliminary and/or revised Preliminary copies of the FIRM for Warren County. Therefore, the City of Indianola should use the Preliminary and/or revised Preliminary copies of the FIRM as the basis for adopting the required floodplain management measures. Final printed copies of the FIRM for the City of Indianola will be sent to you within the next few months.

If you encounter difficulties in enacting the measures, I recommend you contact the Iowa Department of Natural Resources. You may contact Bill Cappuccio, the NFIP State Coordinator, by telephone at (515) 281-8342, in writing at 502 East Ninth Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319, or by electronic mail at bill.cappuccio@dnr.iowa.gov.

The FEMA Regional staff in Kansas City, Missouri, is also available to provide technical assistance and guidance in the development of floodplain management measures. The adoption of compliant floodplain management measures will provide protection for the City of Indianola and will ensure its participation in the NFIP. The Regional Office may be contacted by telephone at (816) 283-7003 or in writing. Please send your written inquiries to the Director, Mitigation Division, FEMA Region VII, at 11224 Holmes Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64131-3626.

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You may have already contacted the NFIP State Coordinator and/or the FEMA Regional Office, and may be in the final adoption process or recently adopted the appropriate measures. However, in the event your community has not adopted the appropriate measures, this letter is FEMA's official notification that you only have until November 16, 2018, to adopt and/or submit a floodplain management ordinance that meets or exceeds the minimum NFIP requirements, and request approval from the FEMA Regional Office by the effective date. Your community's adopted measures will be reviewed upon receipt and the FEMA Regional Office will notify you when the measures are approved.

I appreciate your cooperation to ensure that your community's floodplain management measures are approved by the FEMA Regional Office by November 16, 2018. Your compliance with these mandatory program requirements will enable your community to avoid suspension from the NFIP.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Rachel Sears".

Rachel Sears, Director
Floodplain Management Division
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cc: Dean Ownby, Floodplain Management and Insurance Branch Chief, FEMA Region VII
Bill Cappuccio, NFIP State Coordinator, Iowa Department of Natural Resources
Chuck Burgin, Building and Zoning Official, City of Indianola