

Town of Empire

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Clear Creek County Office of Emergency Management 405 Argentine St. Georgetown, CO 80444

Re: "Statement of Intent to Participate" as a participating jurisdiction in Clear Creek County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP)

Dear Clear Creek County,

In accordance with the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) requirements, under 44 CFR §201.6, which specifically identify criteria that allow for multijurisdictional mitigation plans, the Clear Creek County Office of Emergency Management (OEM) within the Clear Creek County Sheriff's Office is submitting this letter of intent to confirm that the Town of Empire has agreed to participate in the Clear Creek County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Planning effort.

Further, as a condition to participating in the mitigation planning, the Town of Empire agrees to meet the requirements for mitigation plans identified in 44 CFR §201.6 and to provide such cooperation as is necessary and in a timely manner to the OEM complete the plan in conformance with FEMA requirements.

The Town of Empire understands that it must engage in the following planning process, as more fully described in FEMA's *Local Mitigation Planning Handbook* dated March 2013 including, but not limited to:

- Identification of hazards unique to the jurisdiction;
- The conduct of a vulnerability analysis and an identification of risks, where they differ from the general planning area;
- The formulation of mitigation goals responsive to public input and development of mitigation actions complementary to those goals. A range of actions must be identified specific for each jurisdiction;
- Demonstration that there has been proactively offered an opportunity for participation in the planning process by all community stakeholders (examples of participation include relevant involvement in any planning process, attending meetings, contributing research, data, or other information, commenting on drafts of the plan, etc.);
- Documentation of an effective process to maintain and implement the plan;
- Formal adoption of the Multi-Jurisdictional HMP by the jurisdiction's governing body (each jurisdiction must officially adopt the plan).

Therefore, with a full understanding of the obligations incurred by an agreement between the Lead Jurisdiction and the Participating Jurisdiction, I, Jeannette Piel, commit the Town of Empire to the Clear Creek County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Planning effort.

Jeannette Piel Town Administrator Town of Empire