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May 17, 2019



The Honorable Jim Bouley
Mayor
City of Concord
City Hall
41 Green Street
Concord, NH 03301

Subject: Field Survey in Support of Floodplain Mapping Updates in the Contoocook Watershed.

Dear Mayor Bouley:

On December 12, 2018, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) conducted a Discovery Meeting for the Contoocook Watershed as part of FEMA's Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning (Risk MAP) program. During the meeting, we discussed areas of flooding concern and project goals, milestones, and products with a variety of stakeholders, including FEMA, state and community officials. Flooding sources considered during this meeting included major rivers such as the Contoocook River, Warner River, Lane River, Nubanusit Brook, Lion Brook, Sand Brook, and Beard Brook, as well as other smaller rivers and tributaries in the watershed.

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that there may be field surveying activities within your community. The field survey task will commence in late May 2019 through December of 2019 in select communities within the Contoocook Watershed. The data obtained from this task will be incorporated in subsequent hydrology and hydraulic studies that may be used to produce an updated Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report and Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) panels for your community.

Survey staff from Green International Affiliates, Inc. will carry photo identification and this FEMA letter detailing the purpose of their activities. The crews will be taking field measurements and photographs and using survey equipment to collect elevation data. The survey team will contact the community police department prior to starting field activities.

The survey team will make every effort to stay on public lands and rights of way; however, it may be necessary for the surveyors to enter private property for short periods of time. Where private property access is required, an employee from the surveying team will make a good faith attempt to contact the property owner in advance to seek permission. The surveyors will respect all property and will not interfere with landowner use. Upon request, the surveyors will identify themselves by driver's license or state identification and this letter of introduction from FEMA.

We look forward to working with officials from your community on this study, which we believe to be an important step for your community to administer effective floodplain management programs and communicate the most accurate risk information. If you have any questions,

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please do not hesitate to contact FEMA Project Manager, Christopher Markesich, by email at Christopher.Markesich@fema.dhs.gov or by phone at (617) 832-4712.

Sincerely,

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