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Andrew Sankey, Director Hancock County Emergency Management Agency Hancock County Courthouse 50 State St. #4 Ellsworth, ME 04605

Director Sankey:

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Region 1 Mitigation Division has approved the *Hancock County, Maine Hazard Mitigation Plan –* 2024 Update effective **January 24, 2024** through **January 23, 2029** in accordance with the planning requirements of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (Stafford Act), as amended; the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended; the National Dam Safety Program Act, as amended; and Title 44 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 201.

This plan approval includes the following participating jurisdictions that provided copies of their resolutions adopting the plan.

- Town of Bar Harbor
- Town of Brooklin
- Town of Castine
- Town of Deer Isle
- City of Ellsworth
- Town of Hancock
- Town of Lamoine
- Town of Sorrento
- Town of Southwest Harbor
- Town of Stonington
- Town of Surry
- Town of Tremont
- Town of Trenton
- Unorganized Territory / Hancock County

With this plan approval, the communities listed above are eligible to apply to the Maine Emergency Management Agency for mitigation grants administered by FEMA. Requests for funding will be evaluated according to the eligibility requirements identified for each of these programs. A specific mitigation activity or project identified in the community's plan may not meet the eligibility requirements for FEMA funding; even eligible mitigation activities or projects are not automatically approved.

The plan must be updated and resubmitted to the FEMA Region 1 Mitigation Division for approval every five years in order to remain eligible for FEMA mitigation grant funding.

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Thank you for your continued commitment and dedication to risk reduction demonstrated by preparing and adopting a strategy for reducing future disaster losses. Should you have any questions, please contact Nan Johnson at (617) 378-8024 or <u>nan.johnson@fema.dhs.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

Dean Savramis Mitigation Division Director DHS, FEMA Region 1

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cc: Heather Dumais, Maine State Hazard Mitigation Officer Samuel G. Roy, PhD, Maine Natural Hazards Planner

HANCOCK COUNTY HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN - 2024 UPDATE

MUNICIPAL RESOLUTION

Whereas, natural and man-made disasters may occur at any time, we recognize that to lessen the impacts of these disasters we will save resources, property and lives in Hancock County;

And whereas the creation of a multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan is necessary for the development of a risk assessment and effective mitigation strategy;

And whereas, the municipalities in Hancock County are committed to the mitigation goals and measures as presented in this plan;

Therefore the Boards of Selectmen of the incorporated towns and the Councils of Bar Harbor, Bucksport and Ellsworth hereby adopts the Hancock County Hazard Mitigation Plan 2024 Update.

AUTHORIZING SIGNATURES – Town/City/_____

Location of Signatories		
Name		
Name	Title	Date