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January 22, 2025

Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation
600 East Main Street, 24th Floor
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Re: Virginia Community Flood Preparedness Fund – Wise County Resilience Plan CFPF Round 5

To whom it may concern:

I am writing this letter to support the grant application submitted by the County of Wise for the 2024 Virginia Community Flood Preparedness Fund (CFPF). The County's request for funding in the Capacity Building and Planning category, for the development of a County Resilience Plan, is an initiative that aligns with the objectives outlined in the CFPF.

The County of Wise, which includes the Town of Appalachia faces recurrent challenges associated with flooding that significantly impact the community. Unfortunately, the County and Towns lack the resources to proactively address these flooding issues and plan for a more resilient future. The CFPF grant opportunity provides an opportunity to plan effectively for resilience, ensuring the safety and wellbeing of its residents. The County of Wise Resilience Plan will serve as a framework for future efforts to reduce repetitive flooding, enhance flood preparedness, and promote community resilience.

The County of Wise grant application for the development of a County Resilience Plan represents a vital and responsible approach to addressing the imminent threats posed by flooding and climate change. By approving this grant, the committee will be supporting a community that is proactive and dedicated to the well-being of its residents. The Town recommends the approval of the County of Wise's grant application for the Capacity Building and Planning category and believe that this funding will make a significant difference in safeguarding the future of the community.

Sincerely,

Fred Luntsford
Town Manager



Office of the Town Manager
Stephen L. Lawson

January 21, 2025

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen L. Lawson", written over a horizontal line.

Stephen L. Lawson
Town Manager



TOWN OF COEBURN

"The Home of Friendly People"

Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation
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Richmond, Virginia 23219

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The County of Wise, which includes the Town of Coeburn, faces recurrent challenges associated with flooding that significantly impact the community. Unfortunately, the County and Towns lack the resources to proactively address these flooding issues and plan for a more resilient future. The CFPF grant opportunity provides an opportunity to plan effectively for resilience, ensuring the safety and wellbeing of its residents. The County of Wise Resilience Plan will serve as a framework for future efforts to reduce repetitive flooding, enhance flood preparedness, and promote community resilience.

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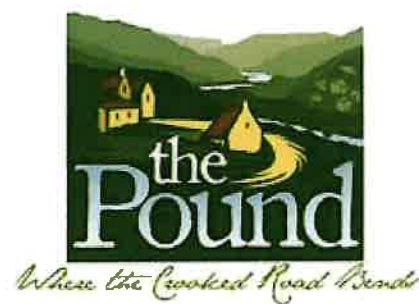
Respectfully,

Jimmy F Williams
Town Manager, Coeburn, Virginia



Town of Pound

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January 23, 2025

Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation
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Sincerely,

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Vice Mayor

Town of St. Paul

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January 21, 2025

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I greatly thank you for your kind consideration in this matter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at the number listed above.

Until then, I remain;

Chad Monday
Town Manager



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January 22, 2025

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Sincerely,

Laura C. Roberts
Town Manager

LENOWISCO PLANNING DISTRICT COMMISSION

January 17, 2025

Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation
Attn: Virginia Community Flood Preparedness Fund
Division of Dam Safety and Floodplain Management
600 East Main Street, 24th Floor
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Re: Virginia Community Flood Preparedness Fund – Wise County Resilience Plan, CFPF Round 5

To whom it may concern:

Please accept this letter of support for the Wise County Resilience Plan grant application being submitted in response to the Virginia Community Flood Preparedness Fund (CFPF) Round 5 funding opportunity.

Wise County plans to submit a proposal to Virginia's Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) to help develop a resilience plan for the County. An approved resilience plan will help focus on flood control and related resiliency efforts, incorporate aspects of nature-based infrastructure, and will include coordination with other local and inter-jurisdictional projects, plans, and activities. This includes Wise County's participation and subsequent planning efforts as part of the LENOWISCO Planning District Hazard Mitigation Plan.

The LENOWISCO Planning District Commission (PDC) recognizes the importance of resilience planning throughout the Region and wholeheartedly supports Wise County's efforts to be proactive in flood resiliency planning.

Please feel free to contact me anytime with questions. Thank you for your time and consideration of this much needed project.

Sincerely,



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Executive Director



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