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FROM: David Baird, Chair, Mt. Olympus Community Council

DATE: April 2, 2020

TOPIC: Peer Review/Second Opinion on FEMA Flood Plain Assessment Study

Thank you for your help and guidance with the pending Neff's Creek Flood Hazard Assessment undertaken by FEMA in the recent past. The Mt. Olympus Community Council has commissioned CRS Engineers (CRS) to complete the attached independent 3rd party peer review of the JE Fuller study (Fuller) that provided the underlying assumptions and predicted impacts of Neff's Creek experiencing a catastrophic storm in the future. The CRS study reviewed the practices, methodologies and assumptions of the Fuller study and concludes that there are inconsistencies with FEMA's established guidelines regarding the anticipated volume of water that should be anticipated from a sizeable flood event in this creek.

The Mt. Olympus Community Council requests Millcreek City to immediately contact both the State of Utah Division of Emergency Management and FEMA to 1) rectify this inconsistency prior to the appeal window expiring on June 11, 2020 without any need for formal appeal, or 2) secure from FEMA an acknowledgement of this inconsistency and provide clarification on why this hydrology modeling inconsistency was allowed to proceed and should be accepted, or 3) secure from FEMA the required steps for submitting a formal appeal of the Flood Plain Risk Assessment Study, or 4) define the required steps for completing a Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) after the appeal window expires.

The affected property owners view this proposed expansion of the Neff's Creek Alluvial Flood Plain Hazard Area as a sizeable risk to their properties and do not support the original Fuller hydrology modeling results due to the inconsistencies described in the CRS peer review. Please contact me with any additional information you may need. Thank you for your help on this incredibly complicated topic!