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Chairman Dwight Purvis
Chairman, Cook County
1200 S. Hutchinson Ave
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RE: Georgia Flood M.A.P. Community Kickoff Meeting

Dear Chairman Purvis:

The State of Georgia through the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) - Environmental Protection Division (EPD) in partnership with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), will be updating the Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) and the Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report for Cook & Incorporated Areas under FEMA's Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning (Risk MAP) Program. Risk MAP is a program that helps communities identify, assess, and reduce their flood risk.

DNR is planning to hold a Kick-Off Meeting to present the proposed scope of the Risk MAP project and address any questions/concerns that your community may have. The Kick-Off Meeting is scheduled for:

Georgia Flood M.A.P. Community Kickoff Meeting

When: September 6, 2017

Time: 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Where: Lowndes County Emergency Operations Center (EOC), 250 Douglas St, Valdosta, GA 31601

We not only encourage you to attend, we hope you will actively participate in this process. Please extend this invitation to other members of your staff or officials who may have a special interest in floodplain mapping,

Georgia Community Kickoff Meeting

such as representatives from planning, building, zoning, public works, environment, engineering, resource management, GIS administration, emergency management, and public safety. They are all welcome and we kindly request that you respond by **August 25th** to let us know how many will be attending.

Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated and the outcome of this meeting will help to ensure that all parties completely understand the scope of work that has been developed for your community's Risk MAP project.

Please RSVP and send any questions or requests for additional information to Tianlin Song, by email at Tianlin.Song@dnr.ga.gov or call (404) 651-8496.

We look forward to continuing our relationship with the community officials of Cook County to ensure that the goals of this Flood Study Project are met.

Sincerely,



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