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

Mr. Dalon:

Thank you and the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) for announcing the Community Flood Preparedness Fund (CFPF) round 4 grant manual offering grants and loans to support flood prevention and protection studies, planning, training, and implementation projects. The CFPF advances community-scale mitigation activities and nature-based solutions with a special focus on benefitting low-income communities.

As the Chair of the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors, I confirm that our Board supports these projects and the funding requested to increase flood protection across the County. In Tazewell County, local government entities, community-based organizations, and residents have become an engaged consortia fluent in flood safety. The County led research, engagement activities, and planning to develop the recently completed Tazewell County Flood Resilience Plan – a project funded by the CFPF. We appreciate the funding to prepare the plan and are now interested in funding to take action!

I understand Tazewell County is applying for grant funding for several projects:

- Richlands Elementary School BMP Design and Construction
- Blacksburg Street / Mill Dam Study
- Bottom Road Study
- Fire - Rescue Station 3 / Claypool Hill Study
- Bluefield Area Study

I support this grant application to build upon the recent collaboration and move toward implementation projects to increase safety and minimize flood damage.

Sincerely,



Shanna Plaster

Chair, Board of Supervisors, Northwestern District