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Reference: Hazard Mitigation Plan Approvable Pending Adoption Revised Notice
City and County of San Francisco, CA

Dear Melissa Higbee:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has completed its additional review of the 2025 City and County of San Francisco Hazard Mitigation Plan for Element G: High Hazard Potential Dam requirements and has determined that the plan is eligible for final approval, pending its formal adoption.

Formal adoption documentation must be submitted to FEMA Region 9 within one calendar year from the original approval pending adoption date, April 14, 2025. If the adoption is not received within that timeframe, the plan must be updated and resubmitted for review.

FEMA will issue formal approval of the plan upon receipt of the adoption documentation. Adoption of the plan is required to maintain eligibility for funding under FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) programs and allow the City and County of San Francisco to apply for the Rehabilitation of High Hazard Potential Dams grant program. All funding requests will be evaluated based on the specific eligibility criteria and requirements of the applicable program.

Please note that while local hazard mitigation plans may include additional content to meet Element H: Additional State Requirements or other local objectives, FEMA's Approvable Pending Adoption (APA) status does not constitute review or approval of any content exceeding FEMA's standard mitigation planning requirements.

If you have any questions regarding the planning or review processes, please contact the FEMA Region 9 Hazard Mitigation Planning Team at fema-r9-mitigation-planning@fema.dhs.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alison Kearns".

Alison Kearns
Planning and Implementation Branch Chief
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FEMA Region 9

Enclosure (1)

San Francisco Plan Review Tool, dated June 6, 2025

cc: Robyn Fennig, State Hazard Mitigation Officer, California Governor's Office of Emergency Services
Victoria LaMar-Haas, Hazard Mitigation Planning Chief, California Governor's Office of Emergency Services