



FEMA

March 30, 2023

Brenda L. Kupchick
First Selectwoman
Town of Fairfield
725 Old Post Road
Fairfield, CT 06827

Re: Fairfield, CT Community Rating System Letter of Reconsideration

Dear Ms. Kupchick:

Thank you for submitting the Community Rating System (CRS) Letter of Reconsideration, as well as for the supporting documentation demonstrating progress towards compliance at Penfield Pavilion, which is in violation of 44 CFR § 60.3(e)4 and 44 CFR § 60.3(e)5.

Our office has reviewed the letter and documentation submitted on March 28, 2023 and has made the decision to suspend the CRS retrograde and other potential enforcement actions for the Town of Fairfield, as the community has been able to demonstrate evidence of progress towards compliance, including obtaining all necessary approvals for funding and providing a project schedule for completion. Our office will reconsider this decision if progress towards compliance stalls during the project schedule.

Please be advised, each year, a CRS community must recertify that it is continuing to meet the prerequisites for its class and to implement the activities for which it has earned credit. As part of this process, the Insurance Services Office (ISO) Specialist sends the community a list of its credited activities, and it is the community's responsibility to respond by the deadline provided with its annual recertification package. The community must note whether it is still implementing each item on the list. As noted in the credit documentation sections, some activities have additional requirements that must be submitted with the annual recertification. These are also noted on the list that is sent to the community. A community that fails to recertify will retrograde to a class 10.

Communities participating in the Community Rating System for the State of Connecticut are required to submit this documentation to ISO by February 1st each calendar year. The Town of Fairfield has completed its requirements for this year's annual recertification. Your next recertification will be due by February 1, 2024.

Our office is committed to working with you and your staff on bringing Penfield Pavilion into compliance. We will reach out to Mr. Bremer to coordinate a status call, late May; however, in

the meantime, if you have any questions or needs, please contact me at Melissa.Surette@fema.dhs.gov or 617-794-0292.

Thank you again for providing our office with the CRS Letter of Reconsideration and supporting documentation, and for your commitment to the National Flood Insurance Program and Community Rating System requirements.

Sincerely,

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