



October 24, 2022

Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region 9  
1111 Broadway, Ste 1200  
Oakland, CA 94607

RE: Truckee River Remapping by Truckee River Flood Management Authority

To Whom it May Concern,

Washoe County declares support of the remapping effort for the Truckee River and select tributaries that the Truckee River Flood Management Authority (TRFMA) has undertaken since 2019.

It is Washoe County's understanding, that the revised Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMS) extend from West Reno to Wadsworth, Nevada and covers significant Truckee River frontage in Washoe County both west of Reno and east of Sparks, as well as in some areas located off Steamboat Creek which is impacted by backwater from the Truckee River.

Washoe County is supportive of the current revised model and mapping that are being submitted to FEMA. Through representation on TRFMA's Technical Advisory Committee and the Authority's Board, County officials approved the original contract to fund this endeavor in March and April of 2019.

The previous mapping dates to 1984, and there are several accuracy issues with both the terrain and modeling that need to be addressed. While Washoe County supports the remapping effort, we also reserve the right to review and offer suggestions for map or model revision during the review process that will ensue both in preliminary review and during the 90-day review period.

Please direct any questions or concerns to my attention.

Sincerely,

Dwayne Smith, P.E.  
Director, Engineering and Capital Projects

cc: George Robison, Executive Director TRFMA  
Walter West, Washoe County CSD