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The Honorable Jennifer Carroll Mayor of Erie P.O. Box 750 Erie, CO 80516

Dear Mayor Carroll,

We are pleased to inform you the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) notified Weld County that it may qualify for designation as an Urban County. Weld County intends to seek that designation and, if successful, will be eligible to receive an allocation of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for federal fiscal years 2020-21.

The goal of the CDBG program is to provide funds for decent housing and suitable living environments, along with the expansion of economic opportunities, principally for low- and moderate-income persons.

HUD requires municipalities within Weld County that are not Entitlement Cities to notify HUD and the county of its intent to be included or excluded for participation in Weld County's designation of an Urban County. This designation will allow Weld County to receive nearly one million dollars for each of the next three years to be used to principally benefit low- and moderate-income persons both in your community and in unincorporated portions of the county through a grant program operated by the county.

If your municipality is included in the Urban County designation, HUD requires an intergovernmental agreement (IGA), called a Cooperation Agreement, to be made with Weld County. As a result of participation in the Urban County, the local government will be exempt from applying for CDBG funding from the State of Colorado or participating in other HOME or ESG consortiums. Should Weld County receive a percentage of HOME or ESG funding, incorporated municipalities participating in the CDBG program are automatically included in a HOME or ESG consortium with Weld County.

HUD requires municipalities to notify Weld County and HUD in writing of their intent to be included or excluded from the Urban County by June 2, 2020. We would appreciate the opportunity to further discuss this program with the you. We request you send us the signed Intergovernmental Agreement as soon as possible. Please feel free to contact Don Sandoval CDBG Manager at dosandoval@weldgov.com or 1150 O Street, PO Box 758, Greeley, CO 80632 with any questions.

Sincerely,

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Mike Freeman, Chair

c: Don Sandoval, CDBG Manager