Roy Cooper, Governor

Erik A. Hooks, Secretary

MEMORANDUM

TO: Office of the Governor

Director of the Budget

Chairs of the House Appropriations Committee Chairs of the Senate Appropriations Committee

Chairs of the House Appropriations Committee on Justice and Public Safety Chairs of the Senate Appropriations Committee on Justice and Public Safety

Fiscal Research Division

FROM: Erik A. Hooks, Secretary Casandra Skinner Hoekstra on behalf of Secretary Erik A. Hooks

Department of Public Safety

SUBJECT: Report on Availability of CDBG-DR Funds for Match

DATE: May 20, 2020

Pursuant to Session Law 2019-250 Section 3.5(a), the Department of Public Safety shall "notify the Director of the Budget, the Office of the Governor, the chairs of the House of Representatives and Senate Appropriations Committees, the chairs of the House of Representatives and Senate Appropriations Committees on Justice and Public Safety, the Fiscal Research Division, and any other State entities deemed necessary of the potential for using Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds to cover the nonfederal share of matching requirements for eligible programs at the following times:

a. June 1 of each year.

b. Within five days of a presidential disaster declaration for the State of North Carolina."

North Carolina received a presidential major disaster declaration on May 8, 2020 for the Severe Storms, Tornadoes, and Flooding (FEMA DR-4543).

As a result of this event in February 2020, the State of North Carolina may be required to provide nonfederal match for eligible disaster response or relief programs. The State of North Carolina is not anticipating federal program support for disaster survivor housing or similar programs as a result of this event. Therefore, it is unlikely the State will be eligible to utilize CDBG-DR funds to cover any required nonfederal match requirements.

For any questions regarding this letter, please contact the Department of Public Safety Office of the General Counsel.

