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Fort Collins, CO 80523

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Fire Chief Steve Charles
Berthoud Fire Protection District
275 Mountain Ave.
Berthoud, CO 80513

Dear Steve Charles,

In August of 2012 you applied for a Colorado State Fire Assistance (SFA) Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) Competitive Grant to mitigate wildfire risk through assessment, planning, education, fuel hazard reduction, and/or monitoring. I thank you for your patience in waiting for the results of the grant process.

The Colorado State Forest Service received 40 applications requesting over \$3.3 million. Through a competitive selection process 13 applications will share in the \$900,000 awarded.

Unfortunately, your application for Ready, Set, Go, Wildland Fire Response, Evacuation and Mitigation has not been funded.

I encourage you to continue to pursue mitigating wildfire risks in your community. Future applications may have a better chance for the limited grant funds if they clearly express the following:

- how the project will reduce wildfire risk;
- how the project will mitigate risk to communities in addition to individual homes (landscape scale);
- documentation that the project is part of a County Wildfire Plan and/or a Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP);
- project narrative defines a clear plan of work with measurable points of accomplishment;
- project narrative defines a clear plan for maintenance and
- project is a cooperative, community based effort.

Many projects were not funded this year simply because there was not enough grant funding available and those applying are becoming more competitive.

Thank you for your interest in mitigating wildfire hazards in your community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott M. Woods".

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