



**RESOLUTION
SMOKY MOUNTAIN REGIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**

WHEREAS, Jackson County is vulnerable to an array of natural hazards that can cause loss of life and damages to public and private property; and

WHEREAS, Jackson County desires to seek ways to mitigate situations that may aggravate such circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the development and implementation of a hazard mitigation plan can result in actions that reduce the long-term risk to life and property from natural hazards; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of Jackson County to protect its citizens and property from the effects of natural hazards by preparing and maintaining a local hazard mitigation plan; and

WHEREAS, it is also the intent of Jackson County to fulfill its obligation under North Carolina General Statutes, Chapter 166A, North Carolina Emergency Management Act, and Section 322, Mitigation Planning, of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to remain eligible to receive state and federal assistance in the event of a declared disaster affecting Jackson County; and

WHEREAS, Jackson County, in coordination with Cherokee County, Andrews, Murphy, Graham County, Fontana, Lake Santeetlah, Robbinsville, Haywood County, Canton, Clyde, Maggie Valley, Waynesville, Town of Dillsboro, Village of Forest Hills, Town of Sylva, Town of Webster, Swain County, Bryson City, and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, should become a party to a multi-jurisdictional hazard mitigation plan; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Division of Emergency Management and the Federal Emergency Management Agency have reviewed the Smoky Mountain Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan for legislative compliance and has approved the plan pending the completion of local adoption procedures.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of Jackson County hereby adopts the Smoky Mountain Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan and agrees to take such other official action as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the proposed actions of the Plan.

ADOPTED the 5th day of February, 2018.

Attest:

Jackson County Board of Commissioners
Approved:

Angela M. Winchester, Clerk to Board

Brian Thomas McMahan, Chairman