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Dear Mr. Cole:

Congratulations! This letter is to inform you that NOAA's National Weather Service (NWS) has recognized the Village of Pinehurst as a *StormReady Community*. This success is clearly a result of you and your colleagues' vision, leadership, hard work, and commitment to those who live and work in your community.

The NWS designed *StormReady* to help communities better prepare for and mitigate effects of extreme weather-related events. I was pleased to see that the Village of Pinehurst has instituted a means of weather information collection and dissemination, and has increased the level of severe weather awareness which will no doubt minimize the threat to life and property within your community during any future weather disaster. As such, the NWS has approved your *StormReady* application, and I have notified local and State Emergency Management, as well as NWS Headquarters in Washington D.C.

The Village of Pinehurst's *StormReady* recognition is good for a period of three years from the date of this letter. After that time, you must apply to be re-recognized in 2015. As *StormReady* recognized, your community is authorized to use the *StormReady* logo in official letterheads, brochures, or other suitable documents. A digital file of the logo image can be acquired from the NWS in Raleigh. If you use the logo in any way, please send the NWS a copy or description of how it was used. The *StormReady* logo is trademarked, and subject to certain restrictions which require the NWS to monitor its use. The Village of Pinehurst is also authorized to make or obtain *StormReady* recognition signs which can be posted anywhere in your county.

Please visit our national *StormReady* web site at [www.stormready.noaa.gov](http://www.stormready.noaa.gov) to see our map of recognized communities. The Village of Pinehurst has been added to the database and now appears on this map. Congratulations, again, on this achievement! The NWS is proud to have you as a part of the growing *StormReady* family!

Sincerely,

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