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FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

44 CFR Part 65

[Docket No. FEMA-7224]

Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

ACTION: Interim rule.

SUMMARY: This interim rule lists communities where modification of the base (1% annual chance) flood elevations is appropriate because of new scientific or technical data. New flood insurance premium rates will be calculated from the modified base flood elevations for new buildings and their contents.

DATES: These modified base flood elevations are currently in effect on the dates listed in the table and revise the Flood Insurance Rate Map(s) in effect prior to this determination for each listed community.

From the date of the second publication of these changes in a newspaper of local circulation, any person has ninety (90) days in which to request through the community that the Associate Director for Mitigation reconsider the changes. The modified elevations may be changed during the 90-day period.

ADDRESSES: The modified base flood elevations for each community are available for inspection at the office of the Chief Executive Officer of each community. The respective addresses are listed in the following table.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Frederick H. Sharrocks, Jr., Chief, Hazard Identification Branch, Mitigation Directorate, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646–2796. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The modified base flood elevations are not listed for each community in this interim rule. However, the address of the Chief Executive Officer of the community where the modified base flood elevation determinations are available for inspection is provided.

Any request for reconsideration must be based upon knowledge of changed conditions, or upon new scientific or technical data.

The modifications are made pursuant to Section 201 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, 42 U.S.C. 4105, and are in accordance with the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, 42 U.S.C. 4001 *et seq.*, and with 44 CFR Part 65.

For rating purposes, the currently effective community number is shown and must be used for all new policies and renewals.

The modified base flood elevations are the basis for the floodplain management measures that the community is required to either adopt or to show evidence of being already in effect in order to qualify or to remain qualified for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

These modified elevations, together with the floodplain management criteria required by 44 CFR 60.3, are the minimum that are required. They should not be construed to mean that the community must change any existing ordinances that are more stringent in their floodplain management requirements. The community may at any time enact stricter requirements of its own, or pursuant to policies established by other Federal, State, or regional entities.

The changes in base flood elevations are in accordance with 44 CFR 65.4.

National Environmental Policy Act

This rule is categorically excluded from the requirements of 44 CFR Part 10, Environmental Consideration. No environmental impact assessment has been prepared.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

The Associate Director for Mitigation certifies that this rule is exempt from the requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act because modified base flood elevations are required by the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, 42 U.S.C. 4105, and are required to maintain community eligibility in the NFIP. No regulatory flexibility analysis has been prepared.

Regulatory Classification

This interim rule is not a significant regulatory action under the criteria of Section 3(f) of Executive Order 12866 of September 30, 1993, Regulatory Planning and Review, 58 FR 51735.

Executive Order 12612, Federalism

This rule involves no policies that have federalism implications under Executive Order 12612, Federalism, dated October 26, 1987.

Executive Order 12778, Civil Justice Reform

This rule meets the applicable standards of Section 2(b)(2) of Executive Order 12778.

List of Subjects in 44 CFR Part 65

Flood insurance, Floodplains, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Accordingly, 44 CFR part 65 is amended to read as follows:

PART 65—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for part 65 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 4001 et seq.; Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1978, 3 CFR, 1978 Comp., p. 329; E.O. 12127, 44 FR 19367, 3 CFR, 1979 Comp., p. 376.

§65.4 [Amended]

2. The tables published under the authority of § 65.4 are amended as follows:

State and county	Location	Dates and name of news- paper where notice was published	Chief executive officer of community	Effective date of modification	Community No.
Arizona: Mohave	City of Bullhead City.	June 17, 1997, June 24, 1997, <i>Mohave Valley</i> <i>Daily News</i> .	The Honorable Norm Hicks, Mayor, City of Bullhead City, 1255 Marina Boulevard, Bullhead City, Arizona 86442.	June 5, 1997	040125
California:					
Riverside	City of Banning	June 20, 1997, June 27, 1997, <i>The Record-Ga-</i> <i>zette</i> .	The Honorable Gary Reynolds, Mayor, City of Banning, P.O. Box 998, Banning, California 92220.	June 5, 1997	060246
Marin	City of Novato	July 1, 1997, July 8, 1997, Marin Independ- ent Journal.	The Honorable Pat Eklund, Mayor, City of Novato, 900 Sherman Ave- nue, Novato, California 94945.	June 13, 1997	060178

State and county	Location	Dates and name of news- paper where notice was published	Chief executive officer of community	Effective date of modification	Community No.
Sonoma	City of Petaluma	June 17, 1997, June 24, 1997, <i>Argus Courier</i> .	The Honorable Patricia Hilligoss, Mayor, City of Petaluma, P.O. Box 61, Petaluma, California 94953.	June 2, 1997	060379
Santa Clara	City of San Jose	July 1, 1997, July 8, 1997, <i>San Jose Mer-</i> <i>cury News</i> .	The Honorable Susan Hammer, Mayor, City of San Jose, 801 North First Street, Room 600, San Jose, California 95110.	June 12, 1997	060349
North Dakota:					
Dunn	Unincorporated areas.	June 20, 1997, June 27, 1997, <i>Dunn County</i> <i>Herald</i> .	The Honorable Orris Bang, Chairman, Dunn County Board of Commissioners, Dunn County Auditor's Office, P.O. Box 105, Manning, North Dakota 58642.	June 9, 1997	380026
Dunn	City of Halliday	June 20, 1997, June 27, 1997, <i>Dunn County</i> <i>Herald</i> .	The Honorable Leo Lesmeister, Mayor, City of Halliday, P.O. Box 438, Halliday, North Dakota 58642.	June 9, 1997	380029
Oklahoma:			, ,,		
Oklahoma	City of Edmond	June 12, 1997, June 19, 1997, Edmond Evening Sun.	The Honorable Bob Rudkin, Mayor, City of Edmond, P.O. Box 2970, Edmond, Oklahoma 73083.	May 28, 1997	400252
Tulsa	City of Tulsa	June 17, 1997, June 24, 1997, <i>Tulsa World</i> .	The Honorable M. Susan Savage, Mayor, City of Tulsa, 200 Civic Center, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103.	May 23, 1997	405381
Texas:					
Dallas	City of Carrollton	June 20, 1997, June 27, 1997, <i>Metrocrest News</i> .	The Honorable Milburn Gravley, Mayor, City of Carrollton, P.O. Box 110535, Carrollton, Texas 75011– 0535.	June 4, 1997	480167
Tarrant	City of Grapevine	June 19, 1997, June 26, 1997, <i>The Grapevine</i> <i>Sun</i> .	The Honorable William D. Tate, Mayor, City of Grapevine, 200 South Main, Grapevine, Texas 76051.	June 4, 1997	480598
Kaufman	City of Terrell	July 1, 1997, July 8, 1997, Terrell Tribune.	The Honorable Don L. Lindsay, Mayor, City of Terrell, P.O. Box 310, Terrell, Texas 75160.	June 17, 1997	480416

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 83.100, "Flood Insurance.")

Dated: August 15, 1997.

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FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

44 CFR Part 65

Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: Modified base (1% annual chance) flood elevations are finalized for the communities listed below. These modified elevations will be used to calculate flood insurance premium rates for new buildings and their contents.

EFFECTIVE DATES: The effective dates for these modified base flood elevations are indicated on the following table and revise the Flood Insurance Rate Map(s)

in effect for each listed community prior to this date.

ADDRESSES: The modified base flood elevations for each community are available for inspection at the office of the Chief Executive Officer of each community. The respective addresses are listed in the following table.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Frederick H. Sharrocks, Jr., Chief, Hazard Identification Branch, Mitigation Directorate, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646–2796.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Emergency Management Agency makes the final determinations listed below of the final determinations of modified base flood elevations for each community listed. These modified elevations have been published in newspapers of local circulation and ninety (90) days have elapsed since that publication. The Associate Director has resolved any appeals resulting from this notification.

The modified base flood elevations are not listed for each community in this notice. However, this rule includes the address of the Chief Executive Officer of the community where the

modified base flood elevation determinations are available for inspection.

The modifications are made pursuant to Section 206 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, 42 U.S.C. 4105, and are in accordance with the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, 42 U.S.C. 4001 et seq., and with 44 CFR Part 65.

For rating purposes, the currently effective community number is shown and must be used for all new policies and renewals.

The modified base flood elevations are the basis for the floodplain management measures that the community is required to either adopt or to show evidence of being already in effect in order to qualify or to remain qualified for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

These modified elevations, together with the floodplain management criteria required by 44 CFR 60.3, are the minimum that are required. They should not be construed to mean that the community must change any existing ordinances that are more stringent in their floodplain management requirements. The