

Federal Emergency Management Agency

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CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. James N. Robey Howard County Executive **3430** Courthouse Drive Ellicott City, Maryland **21043** IN REPLY REFER TO:

Case Number: Community Name: 99-03-173P Howard County,

Maryland

(Unincorporated Areas)

Community Number:

Map Panel Numbers:

240044 240044 0016,0017,

0022,0023,0027,0028, 0029,0033,0034, and

0039

Effective Date of this Revision:

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Dear Mr. Robey:

The Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) for the unincorporated areas of Howard County has been revised by this Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) to reflect the removal of several Zone A areas, based on the drainage area being less than 100 acres. The subject areas are located on the FIRM panels listed above. This revision was initiated by in a letter dated July 29, 1999.

We received topographic maps, prepared by Dewberry & Davis, corresponding to the aforementioned FIRM panels, showing the delineation and drainage area of 1% (100-year) annual chance floodplain (Zone A) areas, at a scale of 1"=600, in support of this revision.

Based on our review of the submitted data, we are issuing this LOMR to reflect the removal of several Zone Aareas with drainage areas less than 100 acres. This LOMR revises the unincorporated areas of Howard County, Maryland FIRM number 240044, panels 0016 B, 0017 B, 0022 B, 0023 B, 0029 B, 0033 B, 0034 B, and 0039 B, all dated December 4,1986, and panels 0027 C and 0028 C, dated April 2,1997, as shown on the enclosed annotated FIRM panels. The areas revised by LOMRs dated January 12,1999 and March 4,1999 are also shown on the enclosed panels. This revision does not involve any floodway changes; therefore, we are not enclosing an annotated Flood Boundary and Floodway Map.

This revision is effective as of the date of this letter. Any requests to review or alter this determination should be made within 30 days and must be based on scientific or technical data.

Your county must approve all proposed floodplain development and ensure that permits required by Federal and State law have been obtained. State or county officials, based on knowledge of local conditions and in the interest of safety, may set higher standards for construction or may limit development in floodplain areas. If the State of Maryland or Howard County has adopted more restrictive or comprehensive floodplain management criteria, those criteria take precedence over the minimum National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) requirements.

We will not republish the Flood Insurance Study (FIS) for Howard County to reflect this determination. We are preparing a Physical Map Revision for selected panels, including panel

0029. We will incorporate the information on panel **0029** of this LOMR into the preliminary version of the FIRM. We will incorporate the remainder of this determination when we next republish FIRM panels **0016,0017,0022,0023,0027,0028,0033,0034**, and **0039**.

We will not print and distribute this LOMR to primary users, such **as** local insurance agents or mortgage lenders; instead, the county will serve as a repository for the new data. We encourage you to disseminate the information in **this** LOMR by preparing a news release for publication in your county's newspaper that describes the revision and explains how your community will provide the data and help interpret the NFIP maps. In that way, interested persons, such **as** property owners, insurance agents, and mortgage lenders, can benefit from the information.

We have enclosed an updated version of a document titled "List of Current Flood Insurance Study Data," which now includes this letter, to help your county maintain all information for floodplain management and flood insurance. If any of the items in that document are not filed in your county's map repository, please contact the FEMA Map Assistance Center at the number listed below for information on how to obtain those items.

Use the map panels listed above and revised by this letter for all flood insurance policies and renewals issued in your county.

We have made this determination pursuant to Section 206 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) and in accordance with the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended (Title XIII of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, P.L. 90-448), 42 U.S.C. 4001-4128, and 44 CFR Part 65. Pursuant to Section 1361 of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended, communities participating in the NFIP are required to adopt and enforce floodplain management regulations that meet or exceed NFIP criteria. These criteria, including adoption of the FIS, FIRM, FBFM, and the modifications made by this LOMR, are the minimum requirements for continued NFIP participation and do not supersede more stringent State or local requirements to which the regulations apply.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Director, Mitigation Division of the Federal Emergency Management Agency in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, at (215) 931-5512, or the FEMA Map Assistance Center toll free at 1-877-FEMA MAP (336-2627).

Sincerely,

John F. Magnotti III Project Engineer

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. Thomas Wilkins, P.E., Howard County Transportation and Watershed Management Division

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LIST OF CURRENT FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY DATA

This list is provided to document all information currently effective for your community for insurance and floodplain management.

Date: 0CT | 4 1999

This list replaces

previous list dated: November **5**, 1998

Community: Howard County, Maryland (Unincorporated Areas)

Community Number: 240044

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CURRENT EFFECTIVE FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY DATE: December 4, 1986

FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP

Index Date: April 2, 1997

Panel Numbers

0001 B, 0002 B, 0003 B, 0004 B, 0005 B, 0006 B, 0008 B,
0010 B, 0011 B, 0012 B, 0013 B, 0014 B, 0015 B, 0016 B,
0017 B, 0018 B, 0019 B, 0020 B, 0021 B, 0022 B, 0023 B,
0024 B, 0025 B, 0026 B, 0029 B, 0030 B, 0031 B, 0032 B,
0033 B, 0034 B, 0035 B, 0036 B, 0037 B, 0038 B, 0039 B,
0040 B, 0041 B, 0042 B, 0043 B, 0044 B, and 0045 B

0027 C and 0028 C April 2,1997

FLOOD BOUNDARY AND FLOODWAY MAP

Index Date: December 4, 1986

Panel Numbers Effective Date
0035 B, 0040 B, and 0044 B December 4, 1986

LETTERS OF MAP REVISION

 Panel Numbers
 Effective Date

 0027 C
 November 5,1998

 0022 B, 0023 B, 0028 C, 0029 B, 0033 B, and
 January 12,1999

 0034 B
 O034 B

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Panel Numbers	Effective Date
0028 C	March 4,1999
0016B, 0017B, 0022B, 0023B, 0027C,	OCT 1 4 1999
0028 C. 0029 B. 0033 B , 0034 B , and 0039 B	

LETTERS OF MAP AMENDMENT AND MAP REVISION BASED ON FILL

Panel Numbers	Effective Date
0034 B	August 31,1999
0023 B	July 8, 1998
0023 B	July 2, 1998
0027 C	May 7, 1998
0023 B	January 2 1,1998
0028 C	January 14,1998
0035 B	June 11,1996
0005 B and 0010 B	September 1, 1995
0023 B	August 6,1990
0027 C	October 28, 1998

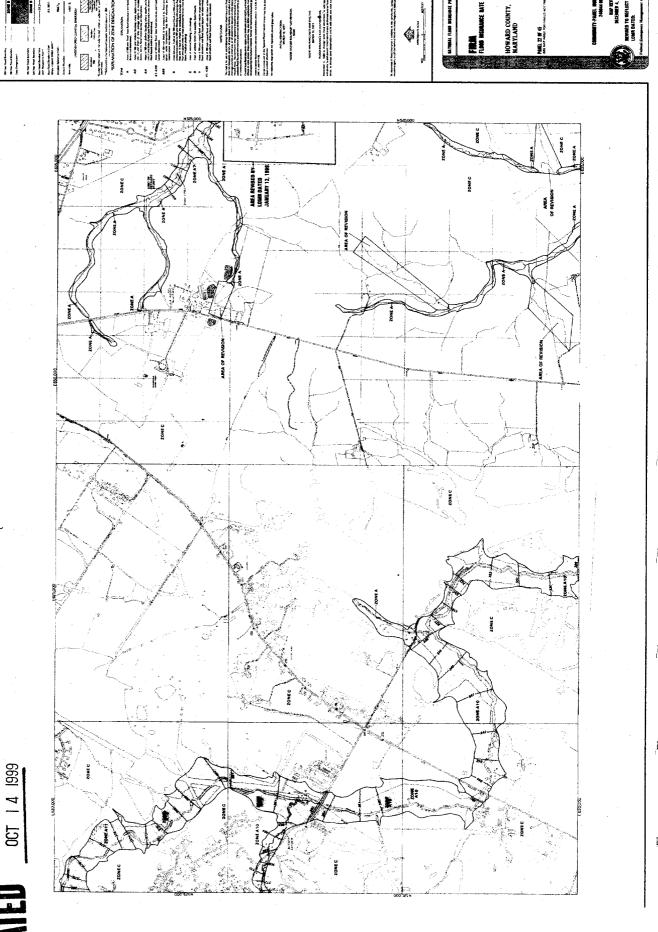
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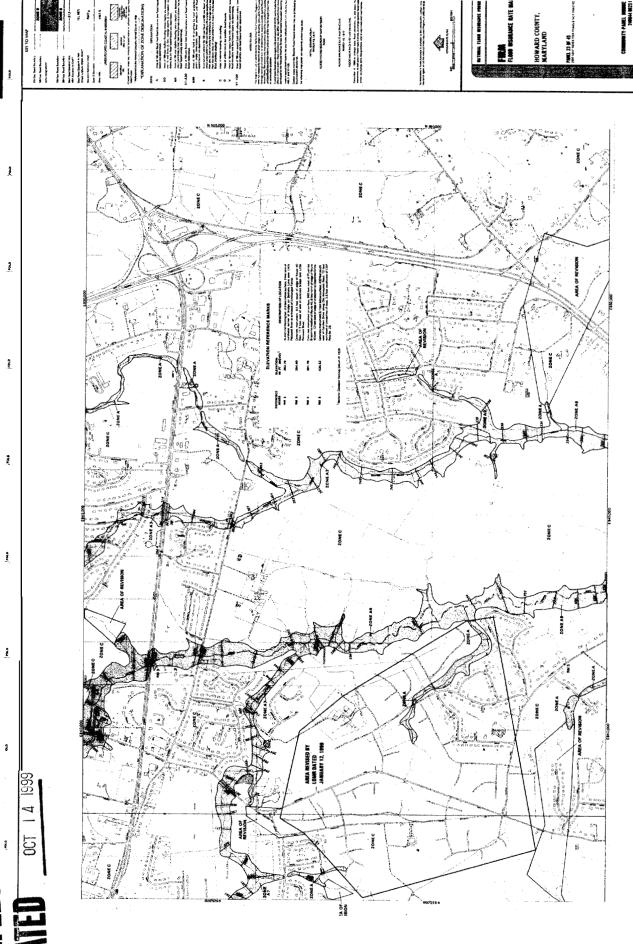
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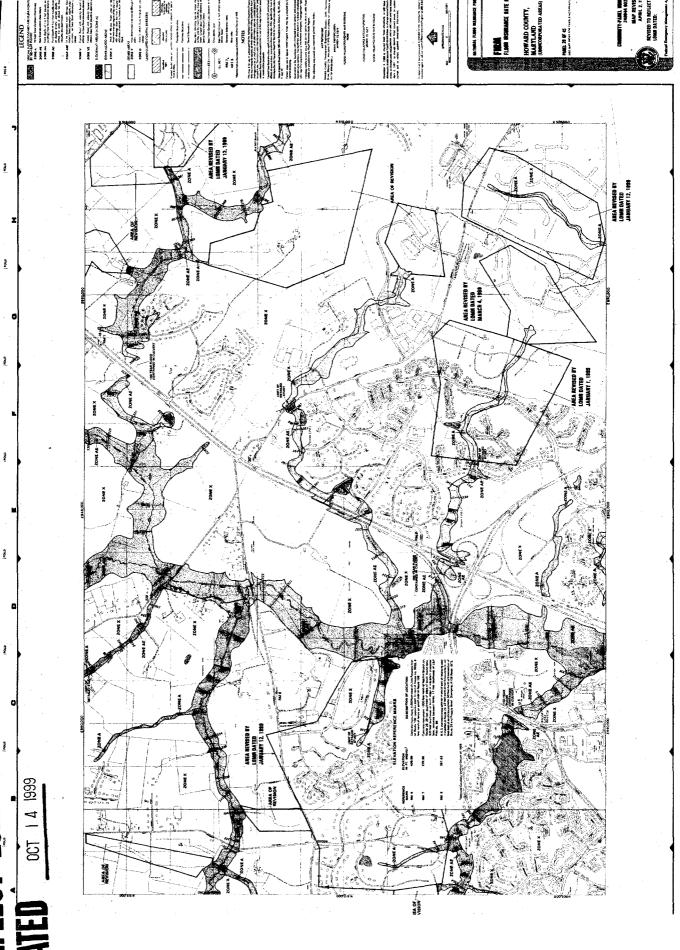
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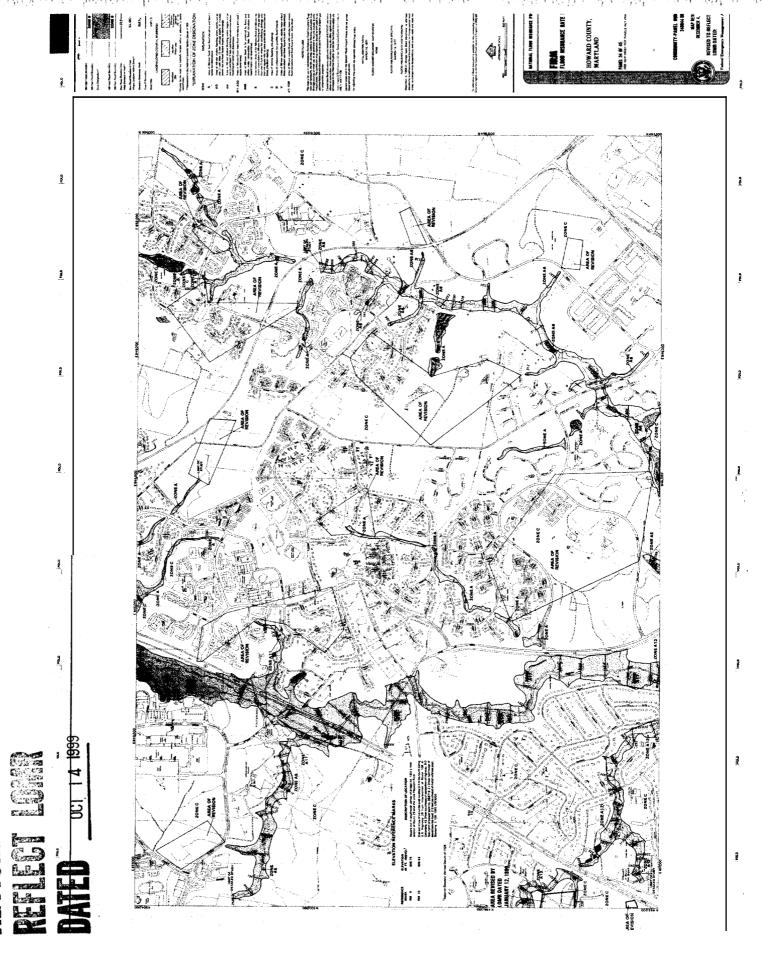




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