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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

44 CFR Part 67

Docket ID FEMA-2011-0002

[Internal Agency Docket No. FEMA-B-1232]

Proposed Flood Elevation Determinations

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: Comments are requested on the proposed Base (1% annual-chance) Flood Elevations (BFEs) and proposed BFE modifications for the communities listed in the table below. The purpose of this proposed rule is to seek general information and comment regarding the proposed regulatory flood elevations for the reach described by the downstream and upstream locations in the table below. The BFEs and modified BFEs are a part of the floodplain management measures that the community is required either to adopt or to show evidence of having in effect in order to qualify or remain qualified for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). In addition, these elevations, once finalized, will be used by insurance agents and others to calculate appropriate flood insurance premium rates for new buildings and the contents in those buildings.

DATES: Comments are to be submitted on or before [INSERT DATE 90 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: The corresponding preliminary Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) for the proposed BFEs for each community is available for inspection at the community's map repository. The respective addresses are listed in the table below.

You may submit comments, identified by Docket No. FEMA-B-1232, to Luis Rodriguez, Chief, Engineering Management Branch, Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-4064, or (e-mail) Luis.Rodriguez3@fema.dhs.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Luis Rodriguez, Chief, Engineering Management Branch, Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-4064, or (e-mail) Luis.Rodriguez3@fema.dhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) proposes to make determinations of BFEs and modified BFEs for each community listed below, in accordance with section 110 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, 42 U.S.C. 4104, and 44 CFR 67.4(a).

These proposed BFEs and modified BFEs, 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. These proposed elevations are used to meet the floodplain management requirements of the NFIP and also are used to calculate the appropriate flood

insurance premium rates for new buildings built after these elevations are made final, and for the contents in those buildings.

Comments on any aspect of the Flood Insurance Study and FIRM, other than the proposed BFEs, will be considered. A letter acknowledging receipt of any comments will not be sent.

National Environmental Policy Act. This proposed rule is categorically excluded from the requirements of 44 CFR part 10, Environmental Consideration. An environmental impact assessment has not been prepared.

Regulatory Flexibility Act. As flood elevation determinations are not within the scope of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601-612, a regulatory flexibility analysis is not required.

Executive Order 12866, Regulatory Planning and Review. This proposed rule is not a significant regulatory action under the criteria of section 3(f) of Executive Order 12866, as amended.

Executive Order 13132, Federalism. This proposed rule involves no policies that have federalism implications under Executive Order 13132.

Executive Order 12988, Civil Justice Reform. This proposed rule meets the applicable standards of Executive Order 12988.

List of Subjects in 44 CFR Part 67

Administrative practice and procedure, Flood insurance, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Accordingly, 44 CFR part 67 is proposed to be amended as follows:

PART 67—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for part 67 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.

§ 67.4 [Amended]

2. The tables published under the authority of § 67.4 are proposed to be amended as follows:

Town of Richland, New York					
State	City/town/county	Source of flooding	Location**	*Elevation in feet (NGVD)	
				+Elevation in feet (NAVD)	#Depth in feet above ground
				^Elevation in meters (MSL)	
				Existing	Modified
New York	Town of Richland	Lake Ontario	Entire shoreline within Selkirk Shores State Park boundary	None	+249
New York	Town of Richland	South Branch Grindstone Creek (backwater effects from Lake Ontario)	Areas within Selkirk Shores State Park boundary	None	+249

*National Geodetic Vertical Datum.

+North American Vertical Datum.

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^Mean Sea Level, rounded to the nearest 0.1 meter.

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ADDRESSES:

Town of Richland:

Maps are available for inspection at the Town of Richland Courthouse Building, 1 Bridge Street, Pulaski, NY 13142

Middlesex County, Connecticut (All Jurisdictions)				
Flooding Source(s)	Location of Referenced Elevation**	*Elevation in feet (NGVD) +Elevation in feet (NAVD) #Depth in feet above ground ^Elevation in meters (MSL)		Communities Affected
		Effective	Modified	
Long Island Sound	Approximately 1,000 feet south of the intersection of U.S. Route 1 and Chapman Beach Drive	+9	+10	Borough of Fenwick, Town of Clinton, Town of Old Saybrook, Town of Westbrook
	Approximately 400 feet southeast of the intersection of Hartlands Drive and Sea Lane No. 1	+15	+24	

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ADDRESSES:

Borough of Fenwick:

Maps are available for inspection at the Fenwick Borough Municipal Office, 580 Maple Avenue, Old Saybrook, CT 06475

Town of Clinton:

Maps are available for inspection at the Town Hall, 54 East Main Street, Clinton, CT 06413

Town of Old Saybrook:

Maps are available for inspection at the Town Hall, 302 Main Street, Old Saybrook, CT 06475

Town of Westbrook:

Maps are available for inspection at the Town Hall, 866 Boston Post Road, Westbrook, CT 06498

Allegheny County, Pennsylvania (All Jurisdictions)				
Flooding Source(s)	Location of Referenced Elevation**	*Elevation in feet (NGVD)		Communities Affected
		+Elevation in feet (NAVD)	#Depth in feet above ground	
		^Elevation in meters (MSL)		
		Effective	Modified	
Graesers Run	At the McLaughlin Run confluence Approximately 1,720 feet upstream of Brookside Boulevard	+986 None	+989 +1025	Borough of Bethel Park, Township of Upper St. Clair
McLaughlin Run	Approximately 50 feet upstream of the Chartiers Creek confluence Approximately 1,330 feet upstream of Bethel Church Road	+801 None	+802 +1017	Borough of Bethel Park, Borough of Bridgeville, Township of Upper St. Clair
Plum Creek	Approximately 220 feet upstream of Allegheny River Boulevard Approximately 280 feet upstream of Saltsburg Road	+743 None	+742 +1018	Borough of Oakmont, Borough of Plum, Borough of Verona, Township of Penn Hills

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ADDRESSES:

Borough of Bethel Park:

Maps are available for inspection at the Municipal Building, 5100 West Library Avenue, Bethel Park, PA 15102

Borough of Bridgeville:

Maps are available for inspection at the Municipal Building, 425 Bower Hill Road, Bridgeville, PA 15017

Borough of Oakmont:

Maps are available for inspection at the Borough Office, 767 5th Street, Oakmont, PA 15139

Borough of Plum:

Maps are available for inspection at the Plum Borough Municipal Building, 4575 New Texas Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15239

Borough of Verona:

Maps are available for inspection at the Municipal Building, 736 East Railroad Avenue, Verona, PA 15147

Township of Penn Hills:

Maps are available for inspection at the Municipal Building, 12245 Frankstown Road, Penn Hills, PA

15234

Township of Upper St. Clair:

Maps are available for inspection at the Municipal Building, 1830 McLaughlin Run Road, Upper St. Clair, PA 15241

Monroe County, Pennsylvania (All Jurisdictions)				
Flooding Source(s)	Location of Referenced Elevation**	*Elevation in feet (NGVD) +Elevation in feet (NAVD) #Depth in feet above ground ^Elevation in meters (MSL)		Communities Affected
		Effective	Modified	
Appenzell Creek	Approximately 100 feet upstream of the McMichaels Creek confluence	+485	+486	Township of Hamilton, Township of Jackson
	Approximately 975 feet upstream of LR 45056	None	+871	
Aquashicola Creek	At the Carbon County Boundary (approximately 2.2 miles downstream of Lower Smith Gap Road)	None	+467	Township of Eldred, Township of Ross
	Approximately 1.2 miles upstream of the most upstream Upper Smith Gap Road crossing	+579	+580	
Brodhead Creek Reach 1	At the Delaware River confluence	+321	+323	Township of Smithfield
	Approximately 0.5 mile upstream of State Route 2028	+321	+323	
Buck Hill Creek	Approximately 160 feet upstream of the Brodhead Creek Reach 2 and Middle Branch Tributary confluence	+1018	+1017	Township of Barrett, Township of Coolbaugh
	Approximately 2.2 miles upstream of State Route 191	None	+2012	
Bushkill Creek	Approximately 1,100 feet downstream of Club House Drive	+471	+470	Township of Middle Smithfield
	Approximately 1,130 feet upstream of State Route 402	None	+756	
Cherry Creek	At the Delaware River confluence	+321	+323	Borough of Delaware Water Gap, Township of Hamilton, Township of Smithfield, Township of Stroud
	Approximately 1,250 feet upstream of Spring Mountain Lane	None	+635	
Cranberry Creek at Paradise	At the upstream side of Browns Hill Road	+706	+715	Township of Paradise
	Approximately 200 feet upstream of Snowbird Lane	None	+1092	
Cranberry Creek at Pocono	At the Pocono Creek confluence	+794	+796	Township of Pocono
	Approximately 580 feet downstream of State Route 611	+818	+817	
Delaware River	Approximately 1.3 miles downstream of I-80	+312	+315	Borough of Delaware Water Gap, Township

Kettle Creek	Approximately 14.8 miles upstream of I-80	None	+357	of Middle Smithfield, Township of Smithfield
	At the Appenzell Creek confluence	+493	+491	Township of Hamilton
	Approximately 200 feet upstream of the Appenzell Creek confluence	+493	+492	
Lehigh River Reach 2	Approximately 1.4 miles downstream of State Route 4003	None	+1512	Township of Coolbaugh, Township of Tobyhanna
	Approximately 780 feet upstream of T-303	None	+1617	
Marshalls Creek	At the Brodhead Creek Reach 1 confluence	+321	+323	Township of Middle Smithfield, Township of Smithfield
	Approximately 2.6 miles upstream of Wooddale Road	None	+1144	
Pocono Creek	Approximately 1,000 feet upstream of the McMichaels Creek confluence	+415	+416	Borough of Stroudsburg, Township of Hamilton, Township of Pocono, Township of Stroud
	Approximately 0.8 mile upstream of Wilke Road	None	+1441	
Sambo Creek	Approximately 60 feet downstream of the railroad	None	+444	Township of Stroud
	Approximately 1,500 feet upstream of State Route 447 (extended)	None	+451	
Scot Run	At the Pocono Creek confluence	+948	+955	Township of Pocono
	Approximately 450 feet downstream of State Route 611	+954	+955	
Shawnee Creek Reach 1	At the Delaware River confluence	+325	+326	Township of Smithfield
	Approximately 100 feet upstream of River Road	+325	+326	
Swiftwater Creek	Approximately 1,580 feet downstream of State Route 314	+1162	+1163	Township of Pocono, Township of Tobyhanna
	Approximately 2.7 miles upstream of Lake Minausins Dam	None	+1736	
Tributary 4 to Pocono Creek	At the Pocono Creek confluence	+865	+861	Township of Pocono
	Approximately 110 feet downstream of Alger Avenue	+866	+865	

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ADDRESSES:

Borough of Delaware Water Gap:

Maps are available for inspection at the Municipal Building, 49 Main Street, Delaware Water Gap, PA 18327

Borough of Stroudsburg:

Maps are available for inspection at the Municipal Building, 700 Sarah Street, Stroudsburg, PA 18360

Township of Barrett:

Maps are available for inspection at the Barrett Township Hall, 993 State Route 390, Cresco, PA 18326

Township of Coolbaugh:

Maps are available for inspection at the Coolbaugh Township Municipal Center, 5550 Memorial Boulevard, Tobyhanna, PA 18466

Township of Eldred:

Maps are available for inspection at the Eldred Township Office, 490 Kunkletown Road, Kunkletown, PA 18058

Township of Hamilton:

Maps are available for inspection at the Hamilton Township Municipal Building, Fenner Avenue, Sciota, PA 18354

Township of Jackson:

Maps are available for inspection at the Jackson Township Municipal Building, 2162 State Route 715, Stroudsburg, PA 18360

Township of Middle Smithfield:

Maps are available for inspection at the Middle Smithfield Township Office, Schoonover Municipal Building, 25 Municipal Drive, East Stroudsburg, PA 18301

Township of Paradise:

Maps are available for inspection at the Paradise Township Municipal Building, 5912 Paradise Valley Road, Cresco, PA 18326

Township of Pocono:

Maps are available for inspection at the Pocono Township Municipal Building, State Route 611, Tannersville, PA 18372

Township of Ross:

Maps are available for inspection at the Ross Township Municipal Building, 258 Anchorage Road, Saylorsburg, PA 18353

Township of Smithfield:

Maps are available for inspection at the Smithfield Township Municipal Building, 1155 Red Fox Road, East Stroudsburg, PA 18301

Township of Stroud:

Maps are available for inspection at the Stroud Township Municipal Center, 1211 North 5th Street, Stroudsburg, PA 18360

Township of Tobyhanna:

Maps are available for inspection at the Tobyhanna Township Municipal Building, 105 Government Center Way, Pocono Pines, PA 18350

Susquehanna County, Pennsylvania (All Jurisdictions)

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Choconut Creek	Approximately 0.9 mile downstream of	+1039	+1038	Township of Choconut

	Kellum Road			
	Approximately 1,430 feet upstream of State Route 267	None	+1275	
DuBois Creek	At the Susquehanna River confluence	+873	+875	Borough of Hallstead,
	Approximately 1.2 miles upstream of Steam Hollow Road	+1038	+1036	Township of Great Bend
Dundaff Creek	At the East Branch Tunkhannock Creek confluence	+1052	+1047	Township of Clifford
	Approximately 0.6 mile upstream of State Route 106	+1099	+1093	
East Branch Tunkhannock Creek	Approximately 0.8 mile downstream of LR 57037	+964	+963	Township of Clifford, Township of Lenox
	Approximately 1.7 miles upstream of State Route 106	+1081	+1083	
Salt Lick Creek	At the Susquehanna River confluence	+875	+877	Borough of Hallstead,
	Approximately 0.4 mile upstream of State Route 1012	None	+1273	Borough of New Milford, Township of Great Bend, Township of New Milford
Starrucca Creek	At the Susquehanna River confluence	+909	+911	Borough of Lanesboro
	At North Main Street	+909	+911	
Susquehanna River	At the downstream New York state boundary	None	+872	Borough of Great Bend, Borough of Hallstead,
	At the upstream New York state boundary	+914	+918	Borough of Lanesboro, Borough of Oakland, Borough of Susquehanna Depot, Township of Great Bend, Township of Harmony, Township of Oakland
Trowbridge Creek	At the Susquehanna River confluence	+873	+874	Township of Great Bend
	At the New York state boundary	+981	+982	

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ADDRESSES:

Borough of Great Bend:

Maps are available for inspection at the Borough Building, 81 Elizabeth Street, Great Bend, PA 18821

Borough of Hallstead:

Maps are available for inspection at the Municipal Building, 101 Franklin Avenue, Hallstead, PA 18822

Borough of Lanesboro:

Maps are available for inspection at the Borough Hall, 418 Main Street, Lanesboro, PA 18827

Borough of New Milford:

Maps are available for inspection at the Borough Office, 948 Main Street, Suite 1, New Milford, PA 18834

Borough of Oakland:

Maps are available for inspection at the Oakland Borough Building, 15 Wilson Avenue, Susquehanna, PA 18847

Borough of Susquehanna Depot:

Maps are available for inspection at the Susquehanna Depot Borough Hall, 83 Erie Boulevard, Suite A, Susquehanna, PA 18847

Township of Choconut:

Maps are available for inspection at the Choconut Township Hall, 26499 State Route 267, Friendsville, PA 18818

Township of Clifford:

Maps are available for inspection at the Township Building, 119 Cemetery Street, Clifford, PA 18441

Township of Great Bend:

Maps are available for inspection at the Great Bend Township Building, 33253 State Route 151, Susquehanna, PA 18847

Township of Harmony:

Maps are available for inspection at the Harmony Township Office, 4197 Starrucca Creek Road, Susquehanna, PA 18847

Township of Lenox:

Maps are available for inspection at the Lenox Township Municipal Building, 2811 State Route 92, Kingsley, PA 18826

Township of New Milford:

Maps are available for inspection at the Township Building, 19730 State Route 11, New Milford, PA 18834

Township of Oakland:

Maps are available for inspection at the Oakland Township Building, 36 Riverside Drive, Susquehanna, PA 18847

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