

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

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND  
SECURITY**

**Federal Emergency Management  
Agency**

**44 CFR Part 65**

[Docket No. FEMA-D-7563]

**Changes in Flood Elevation  
Determinations**

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Interim rule.

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

**DATES:** These modified BFEs are currently in effect on the dates listed in the table and revise the Flood Insurance Rate Map(s) (FIRMs) 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 Director reconsider the changes. The modified elevations may be changed during the 90-day period.

**ADDRESSES:** The modified BFEs 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 table below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Doug Bellomo, P.E., Hazard Identification Section, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, FEMA, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2903.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The modified BFEs are not listed for each community in this interim rule. However, the address of the Chief Executive Officer of the community where the modified BFE 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 BFEs 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 BFEs 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 Mitigation Division Director of the Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate certifies that this rule is exempt from the requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act because modified BFEs 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 shown below:

State and county	Location	Dates and name of newspaper where notice was published	Chief Executive Officer of community	Effective date of modification	Community No.
Alabama: Calhoun .....	Unincorporated Areas.	September 28, 2004; October 5, 2004; <i>Anniston Star</i> .	Mr. Ken Joiner, Calhoun County Administrator, 1702 Noble Street, Suite 103, Anniston, Alabama 36201.	September 21, 2004 ..	010013 C
Delaware: New Castle ..	Unincorporated Areas.	August 17, 2004; August 24, 2004; <i>The News Journal</i> .	Mr. Thomas P. Gordon, New Castle County Executive, New Castle County Government Center, 87 Reads Way, New Castle, Delaware 19720.	November 23, 2004 ...	105085 G

State and county	Location	Dates and name of newspaper where notice was published	Chief Executive Officer of community	Effective date of modification	Community No.
Florida: Charlotte .....	Unincorporated Areas.	August 5, 2004; August 12, 2004; <i>Sun Herald</i> .	Mr. Bruce Loucks, Charlotte County Administrator, Charlotte County Administration Building, 18500 Murdock Circle, Port Charlotte, Florida 33948.	July 29, 2004 .....	120061 F
Florida: Charlotte .....	Unincorporated Areas.	September 27, 2004; October 4, 2004; <i>Sun Herald</i> .	Mr. Bruce Loucks, Charlotte County Administrator, Charlotte County Administration Building, 18500 Murdock Circle, Port Charlotte, Florida 33948.	September 20, 2004 ..	120061 F
New Jersey: Somerset ..	Township of Warren.	September 9, 2004; <i>The Echoes Sentinel</i> .	The Honorable Gary DiNardo, Mayor of the Township of Warren, Warren Township Municipal Building, 46 Mountain Boulevard, Warren, New Jersey 07059.	October 10, 2004 .....	340446 B
North Carolina: Durham	City of Durham ..	August 11, 2004; August 18, 2004; <i>The Herald Sun</i> .	The Honorable William V. Bell, Mayor of the City of Durham, Office of the Mayor, 101 City Hall Plaza, Durham, North Carolina 27701.	November 17, 2004 ...	370086 G
South Carolina: Horry ...	Unincorporated Areas.	August 27, 2004; September 3, 2004; <i>The Sun News</i> .	Mr. Danny Knight, Horry County Administrator, P.O. Box 1236, Conway, South Carolina 29528.	December 3, 2004 .....	450104 H
South Carolina: Charleston.	City of Isle of Palms.	October 1, 2004; October 8, 2004; <i>The Post &amp; Courier</i> .	The Honorable F. Michael Sottile, Mayor of the City of Isle of Palms, P.O. Box 508, Isle of Palms, South Carolina 29451.	September 23, 2004	455416 E
South Carolina: Sumter	Unincorporated Areas.	August 26, 2004; September 2, 2004; <i>The Item</i> .	Mr. William T. Noonan, Sumter County Administrator, 13 East Canal Street, Sumter, South Carolina 29150.	December 2, 2004 .....	450182 C

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Federal Emergency Management Agency

#### 44 CFR Part 67

#### Final Flood Elevation Determinations

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** Base (1% annual chance) Flood Elevations (BFEs) and modified BFEs are made final for the communities listed below. The BFEs and modified BFEs are the basis for the floodplain management measures that each community is required either to

adopt or to show evidence of being already in effect in order to qualify or remain qualified for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

**EFFECTIVE DATES:** The date of issuance of the Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) showing BFEs and modified BFEs for each community. This date may be obtained by contacting the office where the maps are available for inspection as indicated on the table below.

**ADDRESSES:** The final BFEs 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 table below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Doug Bellomo, P.E., Hazard Identification Section, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, FEMA, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2903.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** FEMA makes the final determinations listed below for the modified BFEs 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 Mitigation Division Director of the Emergency Preparedness

and Response Directorate, has resolved any appeals resulting from this notification.

This final rule is issued in accordance with Section 110 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, 42 U.S.C. 4104, and 44 CFR part 67.

The Agency has developed criteria for floodplain management in floodprone areas in accordance with 44 CFR part 60.

Interested lessees and owners of real property are encouraged to review the proof Flood Insurance Study and FIRM available at the address cited below for each community.

The BFEs and modified BFEs are made final in the communities listed below. Elevations at selected locations in each community are shown.

*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 Mitigation Division Director of the Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate certifies that this rule is exempt from the requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act because final or modified BFEs are required by the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973,