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# DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

# Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Docket ID FEMA-2021-0002; Internal Agency Docket No. FEMA-B-2173]

# Proposed Flood Hazard Determinations

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS. **ACTION:** Notice.

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# ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Comments are requested on proposed flood hazard determinations, which may include additions or modifications of any Base Flood Elevation (BFE), base flood depth, Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) boundary or zone designation, or regulatory floodway on the Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs), and where applicable, in the supporting Flood Insurance Study (FIS) reports for the communities listed in the table below. The purpose of this notice is to seek general information and comment regarding the preliminary FIRM, and where applicable, the FIS report that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has provided to the affected communities. The FIRM and FIS report are the basis 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).

**DATES:** Comments are to be submitted on or before January 31, 2022. **ADDRESSES:** The Preliminary FIRM, and where applicable, the FIS report for each community are available for

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inspection at both the online location https://hazards.fema.gov/femaportal/ prelimdownload and the respective Community Map Repository address listed in the tables below. Additionally, the current effective FIRM and FIS report for each community are accessible online through the FEMA Map Service Center at https:// msc.fema.gov for comparison.

You may submit comments, identified by Docket No. FEMA–B–2173, to Rick Sacbibit, Chief, Engineering Services Branch, Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration, FEMA, 400 C Street SW, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646–7659, or (email) patrick.sacbibit@fema.dhs.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rick Sacbibit, Chief, Engineering Services Branch, Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration, FEMA, 400 C Street SW, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646–7659, or (email) *patrick.sacbibit@fema.dhs.gov;* or visit the FEMA Mapping and Insurance eXchange (FMIX) online at *https:// www.floodmaps.fema.gov/fhm/fmx\_main.html.* 

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** FEMA proposes to make flood hazard determinations 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 flood hazard determinations, 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 flood hazard determinations are used to meet the floodplain management requirements of the NFIP.

The communities affected by the flood hazard determinations are

provided in the tables below. Any request for reconsideration of the revised flood hazard information shown on the Preliminary FIRM and FIS report that satisfies the data requirements outlined in 44 CFR 67.6(b) is considered an appeal. Comments unrelated to the flood hazard determinations also will be considered before the FIRM and FIS report become effective.

Use of a Scientific Resolution Panel (SRP) is available to communities in support of the appeal resolution process. SRPs are independent panels of experts in hydrology, hydraulics, and other pertinent sciences established to review conflicting scientific and technical data and provide recommendations for resolution. Use of the SRP only may be exercised after FEMA and local communities have been engaged in a collaborative consultation process for at least 60 days without a mutually acceptable resolution of an appeal. Additional information regarding the SRP process can be found online at https://www.floodsrp.org/pdfs/ srp\_overview.pdf.

The watersheds and/or communities affected are listed in the tables below. The Preliminary FIRM, and where applicable, FIS report for each community are available for inspection at both the online location https:// hazards.fema.gov/femaportal/ prelimdownload and the respective **Community Map Repository address** listed in the tables. For communities with multiple ongoing Preliminary studies, the studies can be identified by the unique project number and Preliminary FIRM date listed in the tables. Additionally, the current effective FIRM and FIS report for each community are accessible online through the FEMA Map Service Center at https://msc.fema.gov for comparison.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 97.022, "Flood Insurance.")

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Community map repository address

Rice County, Kansas and Incorporated Areas		
Project: 12-07-0333S	Preliminary Date: September 12, 2019 and June 30, 2021	

City of Bushton City of Chase City of Frederick	City Hall, 507 Main Street, Chase, KS 67524.
City of Geneseo	
City of Little River	
City of Lyons	
City of Raymond	
City of Sterling	City Hall, 114 North Broadway, Sterling, KS 67579.

Community	Community map repository address
Unincorporated Areas of Rice County	Rice County Planning and Zoning, 460 North Logan Avenue, Lyons, KS 67554.
	York (All Jurisdictions) iminary Date: March 23, 2021
Town of Sterling	Town Hall, Code Enforcement Office, 1290 State Route 104A, Sterling, NY 13156.
Village of Fair Haven	Fair Haven Village Hall, 14523 Cayuga Street, Sterling, NY 13156.
	York (All Jurisdictions) liminary Date: April 5, 2021
City of Oswego	City Hall, Engineering Office, Third Floor, 13 West Oneida Street, Oswego, NY 13126.
Town of Mexico	Town Office, 64 South Jefferson Street, Mexico, NY 13114.
Town of New Haven	Town Hall, 4279 State Route 104, New Haven, NY 13121.
Town of Oswego	Town Hall, 2320 County Route 7, Oswego, NY 13126.
Town of Richland	Richland Town Hall, 1 Bridge Street, Pulaski, NY 13142.
Town of Sandy Creek	Town Hall, 1992 Harwood Drive, Sandy Creek, NY 13145.
Town of Scriba	Scriba Municipal Building, 42 Creamery Road, Oswego, NY 13126.
	n and Incorporated Areas iminary Date: March 12, 2021
City of La Center	Public Works Department, 305 Northwest Pacific Highway, La Center, WA 98629.
City of Vancouver	City Hall, 415 West 6th Street, Second Floor, Vancouver, WA 98660.
Town of Yacolt	Town Hall, 202 West Cushman Street, Yacolt, WA 98675.
Unincorporated Areas of Clark County	Clark County Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin Street, Vancouver, WA 98660.

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# DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

[Docket No. DHS-2021-0043]

## Homeland Security Science and Technology Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Science and Technology Directorate, DHS.

**ACTION:** Committee management; notice of Federal Advisory Committee charter re-establishment.

**SUMMARY:** The Secretary of Homeland Security has determined that the reestablishment of the Homeland Security Science and Technology Advisory Committee (HSSTAC) is necessary and in the public interest in connection with the Department of Homeland Security, Science and Technology Directorate's performance of its duties. This determination follows consultation with the Committee Management Secretariat, General Services Administration.

**ADDRESSES:** If you desire to submit comments on this action, they must be submitted by October 22, 2021. Comments must be identified by (DHS– 2021–0043) and may be submitted by *one* of the following methods: • Federal eRulemaking Portal: http:// www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

• *Email: hsstac@hq.dhs.gov.* Include the docket number in the subject line of the message.

• *Mail:* Adam Cox, HSSTAC Executive Director, and Stanley Cunningham, Designated Federal Official, S&T Department of Homeland Security, 0205 Murray Ln. SW, Washington DC 20528.

• *Instructions:* All submissions received must include the words "Department of Homeland Security" and the docket number. Comments received will be posted without alteration at *http://www.regulations.gov*.

*Docket:* For access to the docket to read the background documents or comments received by the HSSTAC, go to *http://www.regulations.gov* and enter the docket number into the search function: DHS–2021–0043.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Adam Cox, HSSTAC Executive Director, and Stanley Cunningham, HSSTAC Designated Federal Official, S&T Department of Homeland Security, *hsstac@hq.dhs.gov*, 202–878–1455.

# SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Name of Committee:* Homeland Security Science and Technology Advisory Committee (HSSTAC).

*Purpose and Objective:* The charter of the Homeland Security Science and

Technology Committee (HSSTAC) is being re-established in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), Title 5 United States Code, Appendix. The HSSTAC is established pursuant to the authority of Title 6 United States Code, Section 451 and provides independent, consensus scientific and technical advice and recommendations to the Under Secretary for Science and Technology who leads the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Science and Technology Directorate (S&T). S&T's activities focus on strengthening America's security and resiliency by providing knowledge products and innovative technology solutions for the Homeland Security Enterprise. The HSSTAC will support the priority needs of DHS S&T's Chief Scientist, Director of Strategy and Policy, as well as the functional offices conducting the Directorate's Research, Development, Test and Evaluation (RDT&E) mission. Upon request by the Secretary of Homeland Security, the committee will provide scientificallyand technically-based advice to the Homeland Security Advisory Council.

*Duration:* The committee's charter is effective November 15, 2021 and expires November 15, 2023.

*Responsible DHS Officials:* Adam Cox, HSSTAC Executive Director, and Stanley Cunningham, HSSTAC Designated Federal Official, S&T