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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Docket ID FEMA-2023-0002; Internal Agency Docket No. FEMA-B-2390]

Proposed Flood Hazard Determinations

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

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 March 12, 2024.

ADDRESSES: The Preliminary FIRM, and where applicable, the 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 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-2390, to Rick Sacibit, Chief, Engineering Services Branch, Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration, FEMA, 400 C Street SW, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-7659, or (email) patrick.sacibit@fema.dhs.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rick Sacibit, Chief, Engineering Services Branch, Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration, FEMA, 400 C Street SW, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-7659, or (email) patrick.sacibit@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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Stark County, Illinois and Incorporated Areas
Project: 20-05-0021S Preliminary Date: December 15, 2022

Table with 2 columns: Community, Community map repository address. Rows include City of Toulon, City of Wyoming, Unincorporated Areas of Stark County, and Village of Bradford.

Bristol County, Massachusetts (All Jurisdictions)
Project: 17-01-0182S Preliminary Date: February 03, 2023

Table with 2 columns: Community, Community map repository address. Row includes City of Attleboro.

Community	Community map repository address
Town of North Attleborough	Town Hall, 43 South Washington Street, North Attleborough, MA 02760.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

[Docket No. CISA–2023–0012]

Notice of President’s National Infrastructure Advisory Council Meeting

AGENCY: Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

ACTION: Amendment of notice; partial closure and date change.

SUMMARY: On November 16, 2023 the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) published a notice in the **Federal Register** announcing the President’s National Infrastructure Advisory Council (NIAC) meeting on Tuesday, December 12, 2023. This notice amends that prior notice. Meeting changes have occurred because of senior leadership availability and the urgent need to discuss priorities and potential threats concerning the nation’s critical infrastructure.

DATES:

Meeting Registration: Registration is required to attend the meeting and must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST) on December 11, 2023. For more information on how to participate, please contact NIAC@cisa.dhs.gov.

Speaker Registration: Registration to speak during the meeting’s public comment period must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. EST on December 11, 2023.

Written Comments: Written comments must be received no later than 5 p.m. EST on December 11, 2023.

Meeting Date: The NIAC will meet on December 13, 2023, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. EST. The meeting may close early if the council has completed its business.

ADDRESSES: The National Infrastructure Advisory Council’s open session will be held in-person at 1650 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC; however, members of the public may participate via teleconference only. Requests to participate will be accepted and processed in the order in which they are received. For access to the conference

call bridge, information on services for individuals with disabilities, or to request special assistance, please email NIAC@cisa.dhs.gov by 5:00 p.m. EST on December 11, 2023. The NIAC is committed to ensuring all participants have equal access regardless of disability status. If you require a reasonable accommodation due to a disability to fully participate, please contact Celinda Moening at NIAC@cisa.dhs.gov as soon as possible.

Comments: The council will consider public comments on issues as listed in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section below. Associated materials for potential discussions during the meeting will be available for review at <https://www.cisa.gov/niac> by December 12, 2023. Comments should be submitted by 5 p.m. EST on December 12, 2023 and must be identified by Docket Number CISA–2023–0012. Comments may be submitted by one of the following methods:

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** www.regulations.gov. Please follow the instructions for submitting written comments.
- **Email:** NIAC@cisa.dhs.gov. Include the Docket Number CISA–2023–0012 in the subject line of the email.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the words “Department of Homeland Security” and the Docket Number for this action. Comments received will be posted without alteration to www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided. You may wish to read the Privacy & Security Notice which is available via a link on the homepage of www.regulations.gov.

Docket: For access to the docket and comments received by the National Infrastructure Advisory Council, please go to www.regulations.gov and enter docket number CISA–2023–0012.

A public comment period will take place. Speakers who wish to participate in the public comment period must email NIAC@cisa.dhs.gov to register. Speakers should limit their comments to 1 minute and will speak in order of registration. Please note that the public comment period may end before the time indicated, depending on the number of speakers who register to participate.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Celinda Moening, 571–532–4119, NIAC@cisa.dhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The NIAC is established under Section 10 of E.O. 13231 issued on October 16, 2001, as amended and continued under the authority of E.O. 14109, dated September 29, 2023. Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. Ch. 10 (Pub. L. 117–286). The NIAC provides the President, through the Secretary of Homeland Security, advice on the security and resilience of the Nation’s critical infrastructure sectors.

The meeting date is being changed from Tuesday, December 12, 2023 to Wednesday, December 13, 2023. This meeting will now be partially closed to the public, with the closure time of the meeting yet to be determined. Members of the public who register to participate virtually will be informed what portion of the meeting will be closed.

Agenda: The National Infrastructure Advisory Council will meet in an open session on Wednesday, December 13, 2023, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. EST to discuss NIAC activities. The open session will include: (1) a period for public comment; (2) read-on, deliberation and vote on the NIAC’s Managing the Infrastructure Challenges of Increasing Electrification report; and (3) additional study topics discussion.

The council will meet in a closed session, with the closure time of the meeting yet to be determined. During the closed session, senior White House officials will discuss priorities and potential threats concerning the nation’s critical infrastructure.

Basis for Closure: In accordance with section 10(d) of FACA and 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1), *The Government in the Sunshine Act*, it has been determined that a portion of the agenda requires closure, as the disclosure of the information that will be discussed would not be in the public interest.

Public disclosure of these threats, as well as vulnerabilities and mitigations, is a risk to the Nation’s infrastructure security posture as adversaries could use this information to do harm.

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