New York, New York 10278



December 17, 2019

Re: Option to Adopt 2015 Preliminary FIRM

Dear Monmouth County Community Officials:

On behalf of the Region II office of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), we would like to thank you again for your partnership and for attending the New York and New Jersey Coastal Restudy meeting for Monmouth County on September 27, 2019.

The coastal restudy will produce new maps that are estimated to be available for review in draft form in 2022 and to become effective in 2024. While the restudy is being completed, we would like to offer each community in Monmouth County the option to adopt the 2015 preliminary Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) panels that affect their community.

As you may recall, FEMA Region II offered this option to Monmouth County communities in 2017. Adopting the 2015 preliminary maps at this time would still allow your community to use the best available data for floodplain management and flood insurance uses while the coastal restudy is underway. Please note that once the coastal restudy has been completed, all Monmouth County communities will receive updated maps. To assist with your decision, I have attached a list of the **estimated** number of structures in your community that are affected by the Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHAs) shown on the 2015 preliminary FIRM. I have also listed communities in Atlantic County that have already adopted this preliminary FIRM: **Borough of Highlands, Borough of Little Silver, Borough of Matawan, and Borough of Monmouth Beach.**

Once you have discussed these issues with the appropriate community officials, please respond by **Friday, January 31, 2020,** with your decision on whether to adopt the preliminary FIRM or wait until the coastal restudy is complete. For your convenience, I have attached a draft email you may use to reply. Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions at <u>michael.foley3@fema.dhs.gov</u> or at (347) 610-1847.

Sincerely,

Michael Foley

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ESTIMATED NUMBER OF STRUCTURES ADDED TO OR REMOVED FROM THE SFHA ON THE 2015 PRELIMINARY FIRM **FOR MONMOUTH COUNTY**

County	Community	Effective SFHA Structure Count	2013-2015 Preliminary SFHA Structure Count	# Structures Added to SFHA	# Structures Removed from SFHA	Change (# of structures in SFHA)	Change (%)	Increase / Decrease
			Monmouth					_
Monmouth	ABERDEEN, TOWNSHIP OF	162	145	11	28	17	12%	Decrease
Monmouth	ALLENHURST, BOROUGH OF	4	11	8	1	7	64%	Increase
Monmouth	ALLENTOWN, BOROUGH OF	37	37	0	0	0	0%	No Change
Monmouth	ASBURY PARK, CITY OF	27	54	28	1	27	50%	Increase
Monmouth	ATLANTIC HIGHLANDS, BOROUGH OF AVON-BY-THE-SEA,	85	112	27	0	27	24%	Increase
Monmouth	BOROUGH OF	164	393	229	0	229	58%	Increase
Monmouth	BELMAR, BOROUGH OF	274	682	424	16	408	60%	Increase
Monmouth	BRADLEY BEACH, BOROUGH OF	7	79	78	6	72	91%	Increase
Monmouth	BRIELLE, BOROUGH OF	279	297	30	12	18	6%	Increase
Monmouth	COLTS NECK, TOWNSHIP OF	111	111	0	0	0	0%	No Change
Monmouth	DEAL, BOROUGH OF	71	47	1	25	24	51%	Decrease
Monmouth	EATONTOWN, BOROUGH OF	32	32	0	0	0	0%	No Change

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County	Community	Effective SFHA Structure Count	2013-2015 Preliminary SFHA Structure Count	# Structures Added to SFHA	# Structures Removed from SFHA	Change (# of structures in SFHA)	Change (%)	Increase / Decrease
	ENGLISHTOWN, BOROUGH							No
Monmouth	OF	76	76	0	0	0	0%	Change
Monmouth	FAIR HAVEN, BOROUGH OF	15	31	16	0	16	52%	Increase
Monmouth	FARMINGDALE, BOROUGH OF	29	26	3	6	3	12%	Decrease
Monmouth	FREEHOLD, TOWNSHIP OF	48	48	0	0	0	0%	No Change
Monmouth	HAZLET, TOWNSHIP OF	810	873	81	18	63	7%	Increase
Monmouth	HOLMDEL, TOWNSHIP OF	18	18	0	0	0	0%	No Change
Monmouth	HOWELL, TOWNSHIP OF	222	222	0	0	0	0%	No Change
Monmouth	INTERLAKEN, BOROUGH OF	10	13	3	0	3	23%	Increase
Monmouth	KEANSBURG, BOROUGH OF	2,950	2,969	38	19	19	1%	Increase
Monmouth	KEYPORT, BOROUGH OF	114	153	40	1	39	25%	Increase
Monmouth	LAKE COMO, BOROUGH OF	10	91	81	0	81	89%	Increase
Monmouth	LOCH ARBOUR, VILLAGE OF	44	80	38	2	36	45%	Increase
Monmouth	LONG BRANCH, CITY OF	945	881	114	178	64	7%	Decrease
Monmouth	MANALAPAN, TOWNSHIP OF	112	99	0	13	13	13%	Decrease
Monmouth	MANASQUAN, BOROUGH OF	1,942	1,986	61	17	44	2%	Increase
Monmouth	MARLBORO, TOWNSHIP OF	177	157	0	20	20	13%	Decrease
Monmouth	MIDDLETOWN, TOWNSHIP OF	3,464	3,486	142	120	22	1%	Increase
Monmouth	MILLSTONE, TOWNSHIP OF	43	35	0	8	8	23%	Decrease

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	NEPTUNE CITY, BOROUGH	_						_
Monmouth	OF	7	84	77	0	77	92%	Increase
Monmouth	NEPTUNE, TOWNSHIP OF	290	449	164	5	159	35%	Increase
Monmouth	OCEAN, TOWNSHIP OF	325	321	2	6	4	1%	Decrease
Monmouth	OCEANPORT, BOROUGH OF	751	608	61	204	143	24%	Decrease
Monmouth	RED BANK, BOROUGH OF	20	24	4	0	4	17%	Increase
	ROBBINSVILLE, TOWNSHIP							No
Monmouth	OF	1	1	0	0	0	0%	Change
Monmouth	RUMSON, BOROUGH OF	606	595	43	54	11	2%	Decrease
Monmouth	SEA BRIGHT, BOROUGH OF	649	606	0	43	43	7%	Decrease
Monmouth	SEA GIRT, BOROUGH OF	143	168	50	25	25	15%	Increase
	SHREWSBURY, BOROUGH							No
Monmouth	OF	6	6	0	0	0	0%	Change
Monmouth	SPRING LAKE HEIGHTS, BOROUGH OF	35	73	38	0	38	52%	Increase
Monmouth	SPRING LAKE, BOROUGH OF	214	394	182	2	180	46%	Increase
Monmouth	TINTON FALLS, BOROUGH OF	23	23	0	0	0	0%	No Change
Monmouth	UNION BEACH, BOROUGH OF	1,689	1,951	275	13	262	13%	Increase
Monmouth	UPPER FREEHOLD, TOWNSHIP OF	29	29	0	0	0	0%	No Change
Monmouth	WALL, TOWNSHIP OF	181	191	10	0	10	5%	Increase
Monmouth	WEST LONG BRANCH, BOROUGH OF	20	20	0	0	0	0%	No Change

Monmouth County communities that have already ADOPTED the 2015 preliminary FIRM

Borough of Highlands, Borough of Little Silver, Borough of Matawan, and Borough of Monmouth Beach



DRAFT RESPONSE TO FEMA ON COMMUNITY LETTERHEAD

Subject: NY/NJ Coastal Restudy – Community Will Adopt

To: Michael Foley, FEMA Region II michael.foley3@fema.dhs.gov

Dear Mr. Foley:

This letter is to inform you that <name of community> will be adopting the 2015 preliminary Flood Insurance Rate Map for Monmouth County. We are aware that these maps, which are estimated to become effective in September 2020, will be used to regulate floodplain management and insurance while the full New York and New Jersey Coastal Restudy is being completed. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at <insert name of community official(s) and telephone/email contact information>.

Thank you,

NAME

Subject: NY/NJ Coastal Restudy – Community Will Not Adopt

To: Michael Foley, FEMA Region II michael.foley3@fema.dhs.gov

Dear Mr. Foley:

This letter is to inform you that <name of community> will not be adopting the 2015 preliminary Flood Insurance Rate Map for Monmouth County. We will continue to use our effective maps to regulate floodplain management and insurance while the full New York and New Jersey Coastal Restudy is being completed. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at <insert name of community official(s) and telephone/email contact information>.

Thank you,

NAME

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