Federal Emergency Management Agency

Washington, D.C. 20472

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IN REPLY REFER TO:
Case No.: 99-03-944A
Community: Township of Scott,
Allegheny County, Pennsylvania
Community No.: 421100
Map Panel Affected: Allegheny County,
Pennsylvania (All Jurisdictions)
Number: 42003C0339 E
Map Effective Date: October 4, 1995

218-70-NFS

Mr. George A. Krogmann, President
Scott Township Board of Commissioners
2600 Old Greentree Road
Carnegie, Pennsylvania 15106

Dear Mr. Krogmann:

We reviewed a request dated March 30, 1999, for a Letter of Map Amendment (LOMA). All required information for this request was received on April 28, 1999. Using the information submitted and the effective National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) map, we determined that the structure on the property described below is located within the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) and the FEMA designated Floodway for Georges Run; therefore, flood insurance is required. The structure is correctly shown on the effective NFIP map in the SFHA, designated Zone AO (Depth 2 feet). The SFHA is an area that would be inundated by the flood having a 1-percent chance of being equaled or exceeded in any given year (base flood).

Property Description:	A parcel of land, described as parcel 4, in an Indenture, recorded in Deed Book Volume 09932, Pages 479-489, filed by the Allegheny County Recorder of Deeds on April 30, 1997
Street Address:	718 Hope Hollow Road
Flooding Source:	Georges Run

For the structure to be removed from the SFHA, in areas of sheet flow flooding (Zone AO), the elevations of both the lowest floor (including basement / crawl space) and the finished grade of the fill pad on which the structure is placed must be above the elevation of the highest surrounding grade by an amount equal to or greater than the depth shown on the NFIP map. In addition, adequate drainage paths are required to guide floodwaters around and away from the structure; therefore, the structure should be on an elevated pad within the sheet flow flooding area (Zone AO). Because this area is subject to sheet flow flooding (Zone AO, depth of 2 feet) and the elevations of both the finished pad and the lowest floor are not 2 feet above the elevation of the highest surrounding grade, and because an adequate drainage paths to guide floodwaters around and away from the one structure have not been provided, the structure is in an SFHA and the FEMA designated floodway; therefore, flood insurance is required. These elevations are referenced to the National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929.

In accordance with Subparagraph 60.3(d)(3) of the NFIP regulations, no encroachments may take place within the regulatory floodway if that encroachment would cause an increase in flood levels. Revisions to the base flood elevations and/or regulatory floodway must be coordinated by community officials and submitted to the appropriate Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Regional Office for review and approval. Your community should contact Thomas Majusiak, Director, Mitigation Division of FEMA in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, at (215) 931-5512, for guidance on the specific information required for the review.

This determination is based on the flood data presently available. The enclosed document provides additional information about options for obtaining a LOMA. If you have any questions about this letter, please contact Helen Cohn of our staff in Washington, D.C., either by telephone at (202) 646-3457 or by facsimile at (202) 646-4596.

Sincerely,

Matthew B. Miller

Matthew B. Miller, P.E., Chief
Hazards Study Branch
Mitigation Directorate

Enclosure

cc: Region (w/o enclosure)