Federal Emergency Management Agency

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LETTER OF MAP AMENDMENT
218-70-RS

IN REPLY REFER TO CASE NO.: 99-03-144A

Community: Borough of Bethel Park,
Allegheny County, Pennsylvania
Community No.: 420012
Map Panel Affected: Allegheny County,
Pennsylvania (All Jurisdictions)
Number: 42003C0466 E
Map Effective Date: October 4, 1995

We reviewed a request dated October 24, 1998, for a Letter of Map Amendment (LOMA). All required information for this request was received on November 10, 1998. Using the information submitted and the effective National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) map, we determined that a portion of the property described below is located in the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA), 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); however, the residential structure on the property is not in the SFHA.

Property Description:	A parcel of land, as described and recorded in a Warranty Deed, Document No. 072979, Volume 9207, Pages 535-538, on May 3, 1994, filed in the Allegheny County Recorder of Deeds' Office
Street Address:	1172 Clifton Road
Flooding Source:	Piney Fork

This letter amends the above-referenced NFIP map to remove the residential structure from the SFHA. The residential structure is now located in Zone X (unshaded), an area above the 0.2-percent-annual-chance flood level. Flood insurance coverage for the residential structure may be available under a low-cost policy (see enclosed document). Because portions of the property remain in the SFHA, any future construction or substantial improvement on the property remains subject to Federal, Commonwealth, and local regulations for floodplain management.

A portion of this property, but not the residential structure, is located within the regulatory floodway for Piney Fork. The regulatory floodway is the area that must be maintained in an unobstructed condition in order to prevent unacceptable increases in base flood levels. Therefore, no construction may take place in a regulatory floodway that would cause any increase in the base flood elevation level. Since the regulatory floodway is adopted and enforced by the community, any proposed revision to the regulatory floodway must be submitted to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) by community officials. The community should contact Thomas Majusiak, Division Director, Mitigation Division of FEMA's Region III Office at (215) 931-5512 for guidance on the data that must be submitted in order to revise a regulatory floodway.

An additional enclosed document provides information about LOMAs. 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,

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Enclosures

cc: Commonwealth Coordinator (w/o enclosures)
Region (w/o enclosures)
Community Map Repository