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LETTER OF MAP REVISION DETERMINATION DOCUMENT

COMMUNITY AND REVISION INFORMATION		PROJECT DESCRIPTION	BASIS OF REQUEST
COMMUNITY	City of Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania	NO PROJECT	NEW TOPOGRAPHIC DATA
	COMMUNITY NO.: 420718		
IDENTIFIER	Old Bethlehem Steel Levee Pump Station Decommissioning	APPROXIMATE LATITUDE & LONGITUDE: 40.615, -75.379 SOURCE: PRECISION MAPPING STREETS 6.0 DATUM: NAD 83	

FLOODING SOURCE(S) & REVISED REACH(ES)

LEHIGH RIVER - from approximately 0.3 mile upstream of Minsi Bridge to approximately 0.1 mile upstream of Wyandotte Street (SR 378)

SUMMARY OF REVISIONS

Effective Flooding:	Zone AE	X (shaded)	X (shaded)	X (unshaded)
Revised Flooding:	X (shaded)	Zone AE	BFEs*	Zone AE
Increases:	YES	YES	NONE	YES
Decreases:	YES	NONE	NONE	NONE

* BFEs - Base Flood Elevations

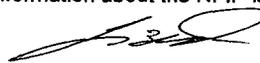
ANNOTATED MAPPING ENCLOSURES		ANNOTATED FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY (FIS) ENCLOSURES
TYPE: FIRM* NO: 42095C0307D Date: April 6, 2001	FIRM* NO: 42095C0326D Date: April 6, 2001	NO REVISION TO THE FIS REPORT

* FIRM - Flood Insurance Rate Map; ** FBFM - Flood Boundary and Floodway Map; *** FHBM - Flood Hazard Boundary Map

DETERMINATION

This document provides the determination from Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) regarding a request for a Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) for the area described above. Using the information submitted, we have determined that a revision to the flood hazards depicted in the Flood Insurance Study and/or National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) map is warranted. This document revises the effective NFIP map, as indicated in the attached documentation. Please use the enclosed annotated map panels revised by this LOMR for floodplain management purposes and for all flood insurance policies and renewals in your community.

This determination is based on the flood data presently available. The enclosed documents provide additional information regarding this determination. If you have any questions about this document, please contact Michael Craghan at (215) 931-5650, or the FEMA Map Assistance Center toll free at 1-877-336-2627 (1-877-FEMA MAP). Additional information about the NFIP is available on our web site at <http://www.fema.gov/nfip>.


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COMMUNITY INFORMATION

APPLICABLE NFIP REGULATIONS/COMMUNITY OBLIGATION

We have made this determination pursuant to Section 206 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) and in accordance with the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended (Title XIII of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, P.L. 90-448), 42 U.S.C. 4001-4128, and 44 CFR Part 65. Pursuant to Section 1361 of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended, communities participating in the NFIP are required to adopt and enforce floodplain management regulations that meet or exceed NFIP criteria. These criteria, including adoption of the FIS and FIRM, and the modifications made by this LOMR, are the minimum requirements for continued NFIP participation and do not supersede more stringent Commonwealth or local requirements to which the regulations apply.

COMMUNITY REMINDERS

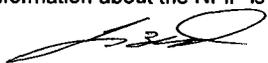
We based this determination on the 1% annual chance flood discharges computed in the FIS for your community without considering subsequent changes in watershed characteristics that could increase flood discharges. Future development of projects upstream could cause increased flood discharges, which could cause increased flood hazards. A comprehensive restudy of your community's flood hazards would consider the cumulative effects of development on flood discharges subsequent to the publication of the FIS for your community and could, therefore, establish greater flood hazards in this area.

Your community must regulate all proposed floodplain development and ensure that permits required by Federal and/or Commonwealth law have been obtained. Commonwealth or community officials, based on knowledge of local conditions and in the interest of safety, may set higher standards for construction or may limit development in floodplain areas. If your Commonwealth or community has adopted more restrictive or comprehensive floodplain management criteria, those criteria take precedence over the minimum NFIP requirements.

We will not print and distribute this LOMR to primary users, such as local insurance agents or mortgage lenders; instead, the community will serve as a repository for the new data. We encourage you to disseminate the information in this LOMR by preparing a news release for publication in your community's newspaper that describes the revision and explains how your community will provide the data and help interpret the NFIP maps. In that way, interested persons, such as property owners, insurance agents, and mortgage lenders, can benefit from the information.

We have enclosed a document titled "List of Current Flood Insurance Study Data," which includes this letter, to help your community maintain all information for floodplain management and flood insurance. If any of the items in that document are not filed in your community's map repository, please contact the FEMA Map Assistance Center at the number listed below for information on how to obtain those items.

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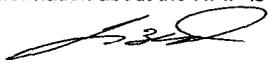
We have designated a Consultation Coordination Officer (CCO) to assist your community. The CCO will be the primary liaison between your community and FEMA. For information regarding your CCO, please contact:

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STATUS OF THE COMMUNITY NFIP MAPS

We will not physically revise and republish the FIRM and FIS report for your community to reflect the modifications made by this LOMR at this time. When changes to the previously cited FIRM panels and FIS report warrant physical revision and republication in the future, we will incorporate the modifications made by this LOMR at that time.

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PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF REVISION

Within 90 days of the second publication in the local newspaper, a citizen may request that we reconsider this determination. Any request for reconsideration must be based on scientific or technical data. Therefore, this letter will be effective only after the 90 day appeal period elapses and we resolve any appeals that we receive during this appeal period. Until this LOMR is effective, the revised BFEs presented in this LOMR may be changed.

This information will be published in the Federal Register and your local newspaper as detailed below.

LOCAL NEWSPAPER

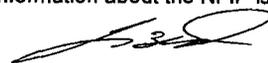
Name: *The Morning Call*

Dates: 04/08/2005 04/15/2005

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

FLOODING SOURCE	LOCATION OF REFERENCED ELEVATION	BFE (FEET NGVD)		MAP PANEL NUMBER(S)
		EFFECTIVE	REVISED	
Three unnamed ponding areas adjacent to Lehigh River	Approximately 1,100 feet North of the intersection of Buchanan Street and Daly Avenue	None	229	42095C0326D
	Approximately 600 feet Northwest of the intersection of South New Street and West Second Street, and at the intersection of South New Street and West Second Street	None	233	42095C0307D

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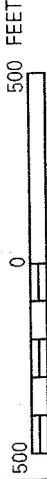
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MAP LEGEND

-  REVISED 100-YEAR FLOODPLAIN
-  REVISED 500-YEAR FLOODPLAIN



APPROXIMATE SCALE



NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM

FIRM
FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP
 NORTHAMPTON COUNTY,
 PENNSYLVANIA
 (ALL JURISDICTION)

PANEL 326 OF 355

(SEE MAP INDEX FOR PANELS NOT PRINTED)

CONTAINS:

COMMUNITY	NUMBER	PANEL	SUFFIX
BETHLEHEM, CITY OF	420718	0326	D
FREEMANSBURG, BOROUGH OF	420721	0326	D
HILLTOP TOWNSHIP, BOROUGH OF	420723	0326	D
LOWER SAUCON, TOWNSHIP OF	420982	0326	D

Notice to User: The MAP NUMBER shown below should be used when placing map orders; the COMMUNITY NUMBER shown above should be used on insurance applications for the subject community.

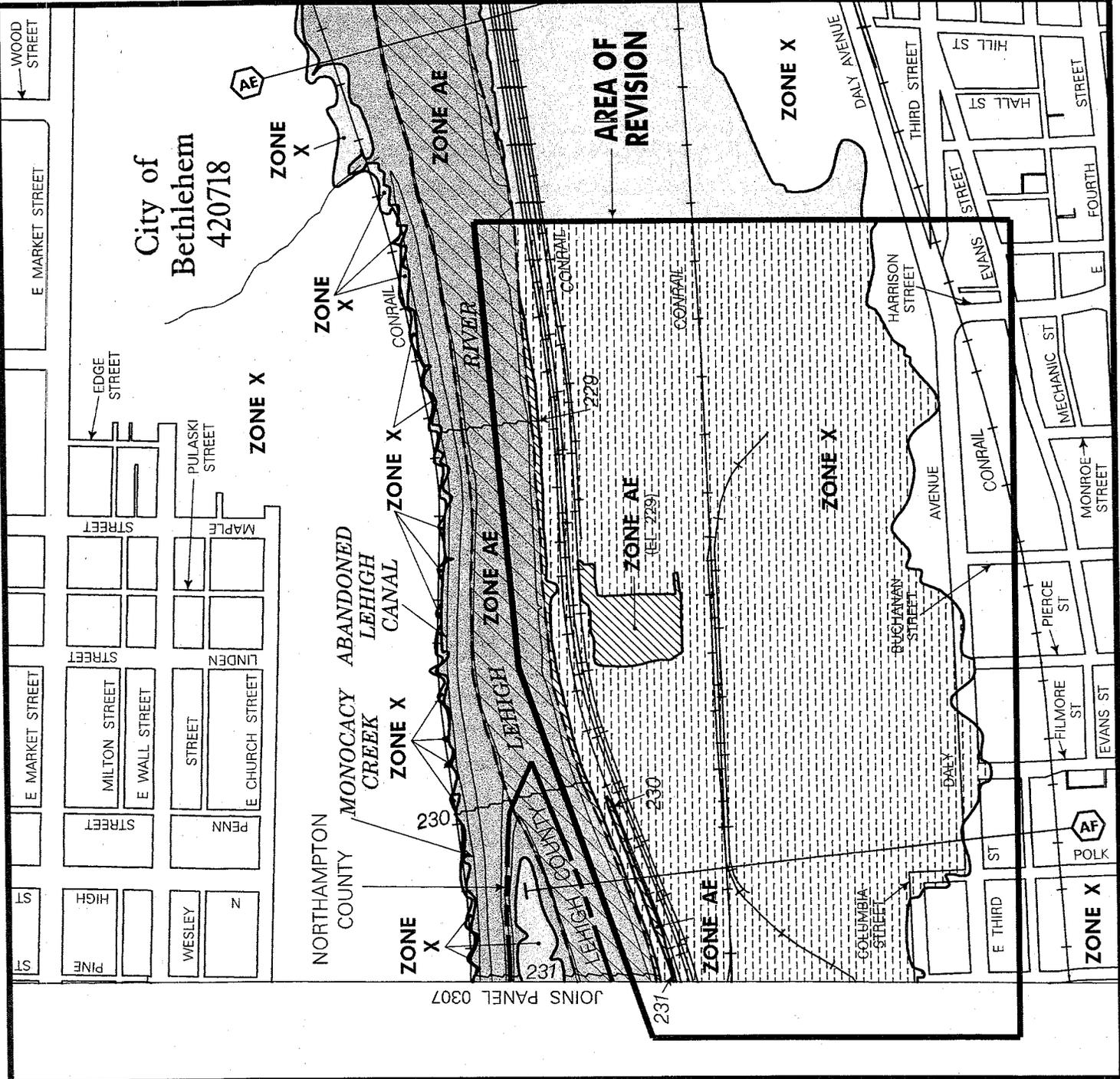
MAP NUMBER
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EFFECTIVE DATE:
APRIL 6, 2001

REVISED TO REFLECT
LOMR EFFECTIVE:

JUL 15 2005

Federal Emergency Management Agency



LIST OF CURRENT FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY DATA

This list is provided to document all information currently effective for your community for insurance and floodplain management.

Date: **JUL 15 2005**

Community: City of Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania

Community Number: 420718

CURRENT EFFECTIVE FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY DATE:

Volume 1: April 6, 2001

Volume 2: April 6, 2001

FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP

Map Index:
42095CIND0

Effective Date
April 6, 2001

Panel Number
42095C0242D, 42095C0244D, 42095C0261D,
42095C0262D, 42095C0264D, 42095C0306D,
42095C0307D, 42095C0326D, 42095C0327D,
42095C0328D, 42095C0329D, and 42095C0335D

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LETTERS OF MAP REVISION

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LETTERS OF MAP AMENDMENT AND MAP REVISION BASED ON FILL

Panel Number
42095C0261D

Effective Date
September 16, 2004

42095C0326D

August 1, 2001
November 2, 2001

BEST AVAILABLE DATA LETTERS

None

REVALIDATION LETTER

None