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Auburn, Pennsylvania 17922

IN REPLY REFER TO:
Case No.: 98-7
R3-218-70-R
Community: Township of South Manheim
Community No.: 422022
Map Panel Affected: 0004B
Map Effective Date: November. 6, 1996

Dear M[redacted]

This is in response to your request dated January 15, 1998, requesting that the Federal Emergency Management Agency issue a Letter of Map Amendment (LOMA) for the property listed below removing the structure from the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA). The SFHA is defined as the area that would be inundated by the flood having a 1-percent chance (base flood) of being equaled or exceeded in any given year.

Property Description: Beginning at an iron pin in the road leading from Auburn to Jefferson, where it is intersected by a road leading Northeastwardly dividing the herein described land, from land of Eugene Heim, thence in and along said first mentioned road along said land of Eugene Heim, South 9 degrees East, 181.5 feet to a point, thence still in and along said road, and along said land, South 49 degrees 30 minutes East, 297 feet to a point in said road, thence leaving said road and still along said land of Eugene Heim, the three following courses and distances: (1) North 84 degrees West, 333.3 feet to a stone, (2) South 8 degrees West, 813.2 feet to a stone and (3) North 82 degrees 30 minutes West, 234.3 feet to a point, a corner of land now or late of Kenneth Fisher, thence along the same the three following courses and distances: (1) North 2 degrees 30 minutes West, 495 feet to a stone, (2) North 6 degrees East, 478.5 feet to a point and (3) North 32 degrees west 473.55 feet to a stone, thence North 77 degrees East, 319.1 feet to an iron pin, a corner of land of Earl Epting, et ux, thence along the same, the five following courses and distances: (1) South 13 degrees East, 246 feet to an iron pin, (2) North 77 degrees East, 208.3 feet to an iron pin in the first mentioned road, (3) thence in and along said road, North 5 degrees 10 minutes West, 70 feet to an iron pin, (4) thence leaving said road, North 84

degrees 50 minutes East, 72 feet to a point in a small stream, and (5) thence in said stream North 3 degrees 30 minutes East, 70 feet to a point in line of land of Harold Reber, thence along the same, South 86 degrees 30 minutes East, 454.2 feet to a corner of land of Guy Boyer, et ux, thence along the same, South 3 degrees 30 minutes West, 207 feet to a point in the second mentioned public road, thence in and along the said road, South 82 degrees 30 minutes West, 425.2 feet to an iron pin, the place of beginning.

Street Address: 1112 Berne Road
Auburn, Pennsylvania 17922

Flooding Source: Unnamed Tributary to Bear Creek

After analyzing all relevant data, we determined that although the 100-year flood would inundate portions of the property, the existing residential structure on this property would not be inundated. Therefore, this letter amends the Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) for the Township of South Manheim, Schuykill County, Pennsylvania (Map Number 422022 Panel 0004B, dated November 6, 1996) to remove the structure from the SFHA. Because portions of the property are in the SFHA, any future construction or substantial improvement on this property remains subject to Federal, State, and local regulations for floodplain management.

Please note that this property could be inundated by a flood greater than a 100-year flood or by local flooding conditions not shown on the Nation Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) map. Flood insurance is available at reduced cost for properties located outside the SFHA. Also, although we have based our determination on the flood information presently available, flood conditions may change or new information may be generated that could supersede this determination.

If this structure is covered by a flood insurance policy, and if the mortgage company or lending institution agrees to waive the flood insurance requirement, then the NFIP will refund the premium paid for the current policy year, providing that no claim is pending or has been paid on the policy during the current policy year. To receive the refund, a written waiver or certificate must be obtained from the mortgage company or lending institution. This written waiver or certificate must then be sent to the insurance agent, who will process the premium refund.

This response to your request is based on minimum criteria established by the National Flood Insurance Program. State and community officials, based on knowledge of local conditions and in the interest of safety, may set higher standards for construction in the floodplain. If the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or Township of South Manheim have adopted a more restrictive and comprehensive floodplain management criteria, this criterion takes precedence over the minimum Federal criteria.

The enclosed document provides additional information about Letters of Map Amendment. If you have any questions about this letter, please contact me either by telephone at (215) 931-5665 or by facsimile at (215) 931-5501.

Sincerely,

Erik J. Rourke

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Enclosure

cc: State Floodplain Coordinator