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FEB 18 1999

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Mr. George Kinney
Borough of Selinsgrove Manager
1 North High Street
Selinsgrove, Pennsylvania 17870

IN REPLY REFER TO:

Case Number: 99-03-017P
(follow-up to CLOMR: 97-03-069R)
Community Name: Borough of Selinsgrove,
Snyder County,
Pennsylvania
Community Number: 425387
Map Panel Number: 425387 0001
Effective Date of
this Revision: FEB 18 1999

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Dear Mr. Kinney:

The Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) for the Borough of Selinsgrove has been revised by this Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) to reflect installation of a 21' x 9' CMP arch culvert, channelization, and more detailed, up-to-date hydraulic and topographic data along South Tributary and an unnamed divergence from South Tributary than that used to prepare the November 17, 1982, Flood Insurance Study (FIS). The subject areas are located from a point just upstream of West Sassafras Road to a point approximately 3,035 feet upstream of the CONRAIL Railroad and from the divergence of an unnamed channel along South Tributary located approximately 600 feet upstream of West Sassafras Road to a point approximately 1000 feet upstream of the divergence. This project also affects flood hazard information for the Township of Penn. This revision was initiated by [REDACTED] in a letter of transmittal dated November 6, 1998. We issued a conditional LOMR for this project on September 8, 1997. The subject area is shown on the Borough of Selinsgrove FIRM number 425387, panel 0001 B, and Flood Boundary and Floodway Map (FBFM) number 425387, panel 0001, both dated November 17, 1982.

We received the following technical data, prepared by Act One Consultants, Inc., in support of this revision:

- certification that the project was built as proposed;
- a certified topographic map, titled Joint Permit Plan, dated September 3, 1998, at a scale of 1"=50', with a contour interval of 1 foot, showing cross-section locations and the "as-built" 1% annual chance (100-year) floodplain for South Tributary and the unnamed divergence from South Tributary;
- a description and schedule of channel and culvert maintenance activities;
- a letter dated February 16, 1999, from the Susquehanna University accepting the increased 1% annual chance floodplain on the university's property; and

- completed application/certification forms, including community concurrence with the project from both the Borough of Selinsgrove and the Township of Penn.

We received all data necessary to process this revision by February 16, 1999.

Based on our review of the submitted data, we are issuing this LOMR to reflect widening and narrowing of the 1% annual chance floodplain along South Tributary and an unnamed divergence from South Tributary. This LOMR revises the Borough of Selinsgrove FIRM number 425387, panel 0001 B, as shown on the enclosed annotated portions of the FIRM. Additionally, this LOMR supersedes the previously issued LOMR for South Tributary, effective on April 25, 1995. No revision is being issued for the Township of Penn as the changes within the community are minor; we are deferring this action within the Township of Penn until a future date.

This revision is effective as of the date of this letter. Any requests to review or alter this determination should be made within 30 days and must be based on scientific or technical data.

We based this determination on the 1% annual chance flood discharges computed in the TR-20 hydrologic model submitted in support of the above-referenced conditional LOMR. 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 and could, therefore, establish greater flood hazards in this area.

Your community must approve all proposed floodplain development and ensure that permits required by Federal and 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 the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or the Borough of Selinsgrove has adopted more restrictive or comprehensive floodplain management criteria, those criteria take precedence over the minimum National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) requirements.

Because of funding constraints, we must limit the number of map republications. Consequently, we will not republish the FIRM and FBFM for the Borough of Selinsgrove to reflect this determination. However, we will incorporate this determination when we next republish FIRM panel 0001.

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 an updated version of a document titled "List of Current Flood Insurance Study Data," which now 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 our Regional Office at the number listed below for information on how to obtain those items.

NFIP regulations Subparagraph 60.3(b)(7) requires communities to "assure that the flood carrying capacity within the altered or relocated portion of any watercourse is maintained." This provision is incorporated into your community's existing floodplain management regulations; therefore, responsibility for maintenance of the modified channel and culvert rests with your community.

Use the map panel listed above and revised by this letter for all flood insurance policies and renewals issued in your community.

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, FIRM, FBFM, 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.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Director, Mitigation Division of the Federal Emergency Management Agency in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, at (215) 931-5512, or me at our Headquarters Office in Washington, D.C., at (202) 646-3932, or by facsimile at (202) 646-4596.

Sincerely,



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Mitigation Directorate

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. Ray W. Klinger, Chairman of the Township of Penn Board of Supervisors

Commonwealth Coordinator

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: FEB 18 1999

This list replaces
previous list dated: April 25, 1995

Community: Borough of Selinsgrove, Snyder County, Pennsylvania

Community Number: 425387

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CURRENT EFFECTIVE FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY DATE: May 17, 1982

FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP

Panel Numbers

0001 B

Effective Date

November 17, 1982

FLOOD BOUNDARY AND FLOODWAY MAP

Panel Numbers

0001

Effective Date

November 17, 1982

LETTERS OF MAP REVISION

Panel Numbers

0001 B

Effective Date

April 25, 1995

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LETTERS OF MAP AMENDMENT AND MAP REVISION BASED ON FILL

Panel Numbers

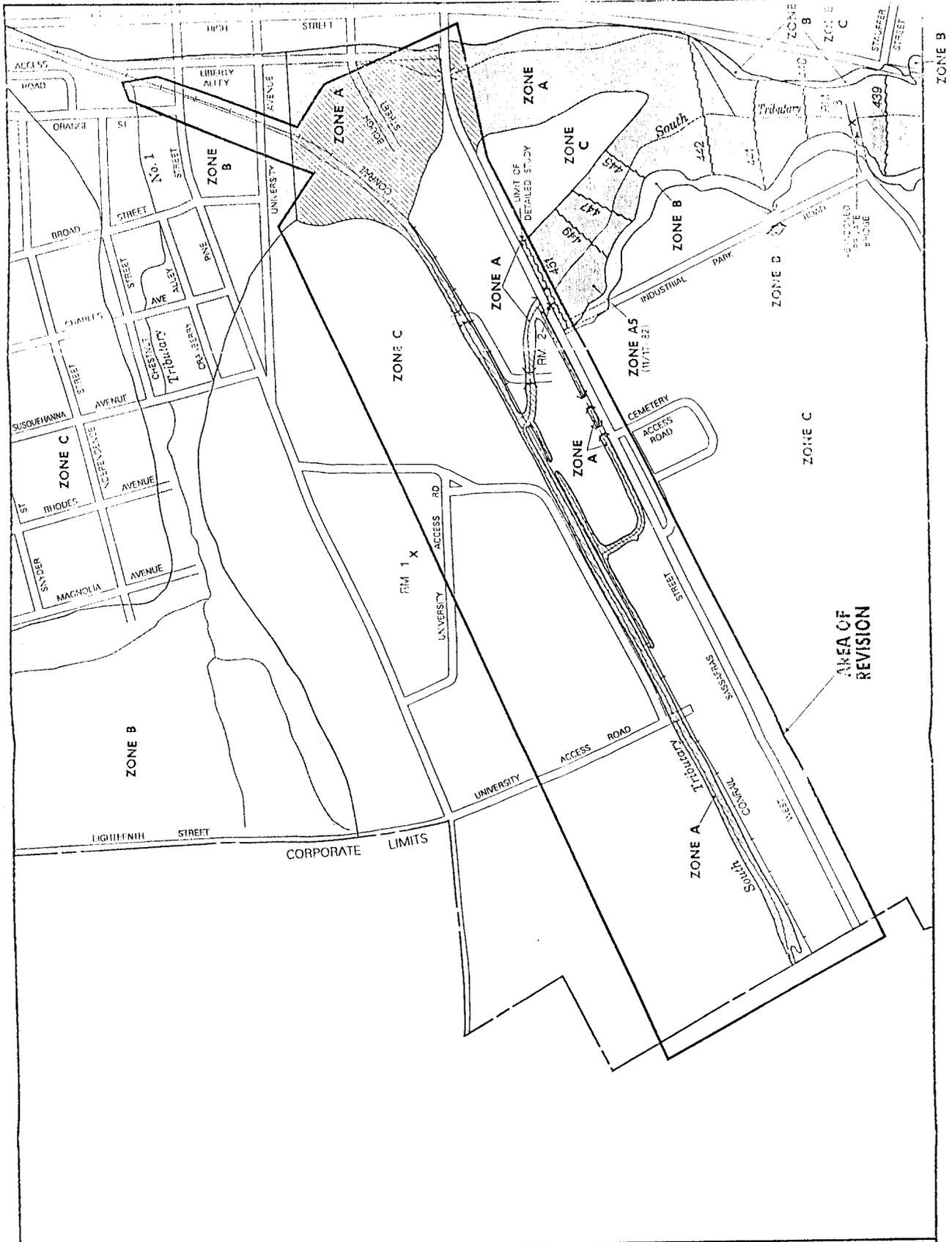
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Effective Date

BEST AVAILABLE DATA LETTERS

Date

None



MAP LEGEND

- REVISED 100-YEAR FLOODPLAIN
- BOUNDARY DIVIDING SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD ZONES

APPROXIMATE SCALE

400 0 400 FEET

NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM

FIRM
FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP

BOROUGH OF
 SELINSGROVE,
 PENNSYLVANIA
 SNYDER COUNTY

ONLY PANEL PRINTED

COMMUNITY - PANEL NUMBER
 425387 0601 B

MAP REVISED:
 NOVEMBER 17, 1982

REVISED TO REFLECT
 LOMR EFFECTIVE:

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