

After FEMA released the updated floodplain maps, many banks and mortgage companies issued flood insurance notices for properties that are now located within a Flood Zone. We have received many inquiries from residents who are wondering why they have received this notice.

Using GIS we can determine if their property is in the floodplain and print a map of the area, but the GIS data cannot be used to request a FEMA map change.

If the resident feels their property should not be included in the Flood Zone, s/he can contact a local surveyor who is a member of the Remonumentation Peer Group to obtain an Elevation Certificate. The Elevation Certificate can then be submitted to produce a Letter of Map Amendment (LOMA), which can remove a structure from the Flood Zone. In most cases, a LOMA can eliminate the need for Flood Insurance. The attached document is a list of surveyors in the Peer Group who would be able to assist the resident with obtaining an Elevation Certificate and a LOMA.

Additional information can be found at the MDEQ's website: www.michigan.gov/deg. Click the Water link on the left panel, then click Water Management on the left panel. The link called Floodplain Management/National Flood Insurance (left panel again) will take you a page with a variety of links and information about flood insurance.

I hope this information will be useful as we attempt to help our citizens through the flood insurance requirements. Please forward this e-mail to anyone who is responding to calls about the new FEMA flood hazard maps or flood insurance.

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