February 4, 2020

David Ament
Mayor, City of New Berlin
3805 S. Casper Dr.
New Berlin, WI 53151

IN REPLY REFER TO:

Notice for CCO meeting and Open House
Community Name: City of New Berlin, Waukesha County, Wisconsin
Community No.: 550487

Dear Mayor Ament,

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) recently provided your office with copy of the Preliminary Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) and associated Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report. These documents were produced in association with coastal flood analyses conducted for the Upper Fox River Watershed in Waukesha County. This letter serves as notice of the Consultation Coordination Officer (CCO) meeting where we will review the maps and the appeals and comments process, and discuss considerations related to local ordinance updates and map adoption under the regulatory structure of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

FEMA has also scheduled an open house for public involvement following in the evening after the CCO meeting. The open house is intended to engage the larger community and provide a venue for our team to address questions. Scheduling details for this event are provided in paragraphs below. We encourage you to promote the open house at community board meetings and other community-sponsored events, on your website, and via social media. Digital files of the Preliminary FIRM and FIS report can be downloaded from the following website: www.fema.gov/preliminaryfloodhazarddata. A digital copy of these documents was also mailed to community officials. Please help us promote the public open house with the information listed below:

Community Officials - FEMA CCO Meeting: This meeting should be attended by elected officials, community staff and officials, and community consultants.

Waukesha County - FEMA Consultation Coordination Officer (CCO) meeting
Wednesday, March 4, 2020 | 2 – 4 p.m.
Village of Mukwonago | Village Hall | Board Room
440 River Crest Ct. | Mukwonago, WI 53149

Our agenda for the CCO meeting includes a formal presentation with time for questions and answers and a breakout session for one-on-one discussion with members of our map-production team. We will briefly explain flood zone designations, discuss the mapping process, review a rough timing for the appeals process, and step through concepts for how these maps will be utilized under the NFIP. Participation in the NFIP stipulates that your community adopt the new flood risk data into your local flood protection regulations by the time the new FIRM goes into effect. This data should also inform community planning processes and outreach efforts for better resiliency in response to flood and storm events.

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Public Open House: The Flood Map Information Open House will be held following the CCO meeting later. We will remain set up at the same location with hard copy maps and laptop workstations. Please help us promote this public event with the information listed below:

Waukesha County Flood Map Information Open House/ Upper Fox River Watershed Update
Wednesday, March 4, 2020 | 6:00 p.m.
Village of Mukwonago | Village Hall | Community Room
440 River Crest Ct. | Mukwonago, WI 53149

The open house is a means to begin dialogue regarding the Preliminary FIRM and meet with residents in a one-on-one environment. FEMA is interested in talking directly to property owners, realtors, insurance agents, surveyors, developers, and representatives of lending institutions. The FEMA team will be available to explain site-specific questions for the new map and provide information on NFIP flood protection standards and flood insurance. We will have a number of factsheets on hand for participants.

Again, FEMA requests your help in getting the word out about the public open house. Enclosed is a sample news release that you may use as an example to publicize the event.

Questions specifically related to the Preliminary FIRM or FIS should be directed to G. Fritz Statz of the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources from our contract production team. Mr. Statz can be reached at (608) 266-2709, or by e-mail at gordon.statz@wisconsin.gov. All other questions should be referred to Ken Hinterlong of my staff. Mr. Hinterlong can be reached by phone at (312) 408-5529, or send e-mail to ken.hinterlong@fema.dhs.gov.

Sincerely,

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