



FEMA

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President, County Commission
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Community Name: Monroe County,
West Virginia
(Unincorporated
Areas)
Community No.: 540278

Dear Mr. Galford:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is in the process of updating the Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) and Flood Insurance Study (FIS) for Monroe County, WV. This study will revise riverine floodplains within your community using better topographic data, as well as current methodologies and engineering practices. The study notification letter was sent to your community on April 20, 2020.

FEMA Region III and its state mapping partner have developed draft riverine floodplain data. The preliminary FIRMs that reflect these riverine floodplains are anticipated to be issued in the Winter 2023.

Before issuing the preliminary FIRMs, FEMA would like to invite the affected communities to a Flood Risk Review (FRR) meeting to review the draft study results and discuss how flood hazard information has changed as a result of the new analysis. An important outcome of the meeting is developing an understanding of how we can collaborate to ensure that your community's needs are met and that your input is reflected in the study process prior to the release of preliminary products. This meeting is scheduled for the following date and location:

Tuesday May 31st
9:00 AM to 11:00 AM
Microsoft Teams ([Click here to join the meeting](#))

This meeting will involve representatives from FEMA, the State of West Virginia and its mapping partner, and officials from your community. We recommend that you consider sending your solicitor, engineer, planner, public outreach specialist, Geographic Information Systems (GIS) staff, and other staff involved in floodplain management or emergency management to this meeting. We look forward to working with you and other stakeholders in the area to achieve the goals of this flood risk study, which include helping communities better understand the risks associated with

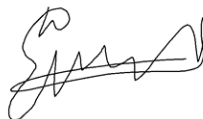
flooding and more effectively administer floodplain management programs, so they are better protected in the future.

We would like to appreciate your response in Doodle Poll, and it will also serve as reservation.

We are committed to ensuring that the meeting and materials are accessible to all, and so in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) (www.ada.gov), reasonable accommodations are available upon request. To request accommodation, please contact Amanuel Ghebreegziabher at Amanuel.ghebreegziabher@fema.dhs.gov or (202) 718-2759 and include a description of the accommodation you will need. Please provide at least five (5) business days advanced notice; last minute requests will be difficult to fulfill.

If you have any questions before that time, please contact me by email at amanuel.ghebreegziabher@fema.dhs.gov or by phone at (202) 718-2759. Yukun Xing, the Study Manager, may be reached at yukun.xing@woodplc.com.

Sincerely,



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