

EXETER PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

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Re: Notification of Flood Hazard Revisions

Dear Affected Property Owner:

The Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) for a community depicts the floodplain, the area that has been determined to be subject to a 1% (100-year) or greater chance of flooding in any given year. The floodway is the portion of the floodplain that includes the channel of a river or other watercourse and the adjacent land area that must be reserved in order to discharge the base flood without cumulatively increasing the water-surface elevation by more than a designated height. The FIRM is used to determine flood insurance rates and to help the community with floodplain management.

The Town of Exeter, New Hampshire is applying for a Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (DHS-FEMA) to revise FIRM panels 33015C0401E, 33015C0402E, 33015C0403E, 33015C0404E, 33015C0406E, and 33015C0408E for the Town of Exeter, New Hampshire along the Exeter River, Little River No. 1, Scamen Brook, Great Meadows Brook, Unnamed Tributary No. 1 to Exeter River and Unnamed Tributary No. 2 to Exeter River. The Town of Exeter is proposing to revise these FIRM panels to reflect the reduced flood elevations along the Exeter River and its tributaries resulting from the removal of the Great Dam on the Exeter River, and to reflect improved topographic data and revised modeling for the Little River No. 1 and its tributaries.

The Town of Exeter, in accordance with National Flood Insurance Program regulation 65.7(b)(1), hereby gives notice of the Town of Exeter's intent to revise the flood hazard information along the Exeter River from the confluence with the Squamscott River to the Kingston Road (NH State Route 111) crossing, and along the Little River No. 1 from its confluence with the Exeter River to the Brentwood Road (NH Route 111A) road crossing. Flood hazard information will also be revised for tributaries of these rivers within the revised area.

As a result of the LOMR, the floodway shall widen and narrow within the area of revision for both Exeter River and Little River No. 1.


The LOMR will also result in:

1. Increases and decreases in the 1% annual chance water surface elevations along the Exeter River.
2. Increases and decreases in the 1% annual-chance water surface elevations along the Little River No. 1.
3. Widening and narrowing of the 1% annual-chance floodplain along the Exeter River.
4. Widening and narrowing of the 1% annual-chance floodplain along the Little River No. 1.
5. Increases in the 1% annual-chance water surface elevations along Scamen Brook.
6. Decreases in the 1% annual-chance water surface elevations along Great Meadows Brook, Unnamed Tributary No. 1 to Exeter River, and Unnamed Tributary No. 2 to Exeter River.
7. Widening and narrowing of the 1% annual-chance floodplain along Scamen Brook, Great Meadows Brook, Unnamed Tributary No. 1 to Exeter River and Unnamed Tributary No. 2 to Exeter River.

This letter is to inform you of flood hazard revisions affecting your property located in the Town of Exeter, New Hampshire.

Maps and detailed analysis of the flood hazard revision can be reviewed at the Town of Exeter Public Works Department at 13 Newfields Road, Exeter, NH 03833. If you have any questions or concerns about the proposed project or its effect on your property, you may contact Paul Vlasich, PE, Town Engineer, at 13 Newfields Road, Exeter, NH 03833 or by phone at (603)-773-6157 between the hours of 7:00 AM and 3:30 PM Monday through Friday.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul Vlasich".

Paul Vlasich, PE
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