



DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Docket ID: FEMA-2023-0011; OMB No. 1660-0015]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review, Comment Request; Revisions to National Flood Insurance Program Maps: Application Forms and Instructions for (C)LOMAs and (C)LOMR-Fs

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: 30-day notice of revision and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will submit the information collection abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget for review and clearance in accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The submission seeks comments concerning information required by FEMA to amend or revise National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) maps to remove certain property from the one-percent annual chance floodplain.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review – Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection should be made to Director, Information Management Division, 500 C Street, SW, Washington, DC 20472, email address:

FEMA-Information-Collections-Management@fema.dhs.gov or Bryan Anderson, FEMA, Federal Insurance & Mitigation Administration, at (202) 577-2397 or *Bryanb.Anderson@fema.dhs.gov* .

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) is authorized by the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 4001 *et seq.* The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) administers the NFIP and maintains the maps that depict flood hazard information. The land area covered by the floodwaters of the base flood is the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) on NFIP maps. The SFHA is the area where the NFIP's floodplain management regulations must be enforced and the area where the mandatory purchase of flood insurance applies. If a SFHA has been determined to exist for property and the owner or lessee of the property believes his/her property has been incorrectly included in a SFHA, information can be provided to support removal of the SFHA designation. NFIP regulations, at 44 CFR parts 65 and 70, outline the data that must be submitted by an owner or lessee of property who believes their property has been incorrectly included in a SFHA. In order to remove an area from a SFHA, the owner or lessee of the property must submit scientific or technical data demonstrating that the area is "reasonably safe from flooding" and not in the SFHA.

This proposed information collection previously published in the Federal Register on April 25, 2023, at 88 FR 25004 with a 60-day public comment period. Two public comments were received, but neither are germane to this collection because the comments did not discuss these instruments or the information they collect. This information collection is set to expire on July 31, 2023. FEMA is requesting a revision to the currently approved information collection. The purpose of this notice is to notify the public that FEMA will submit the information collection abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget for review and clearance.

Collection of Information

Title: Revisions to National Flood Insurance Program Maps: Application Forms and Instructions for (C)LOMAs and (C)LOMR-Fs.

Type of Information Collection: Revision of a currently approved information collection.

OMB Number: 1660-0015.

FEMA Forms: FEMA Form FF-206-FY-23-104 (formerly 086-0-22) and FEMA Form FF-206-FY-23-104-A (formerly 086-0-22A (Spanish)), Application Form for Single Residential Lot or Structure Amendments to National Flood Insurance Program Maps; FEMA Form FF-206-FY-23-105 (formerly 086-0-26), Property Information Form; FEMA Form FF-206-FY-23-106 (formerly 086-0-26A), Elevation Form; and FEMA Form FF-206-FY-23-107 (formerly 086-0-26B), Community Acknowledgment Form.

Abstract: FEMA collects scientific and technical data submissions to determine whether a specific property is located within or outside of a SFHA. If the property is determined not to be within a SFHA, FEMA provides a written determination and the appropriate map is modified by a Letter of Map Amendment (LOMA) or a Letter of Map Revision – Based on Fill (LOMR-F), making it possible for the lending institution to waive the flood insurance requirement.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; Business or other for-profit institutions; State, Local or Tribal government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 67,701.

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Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 71,234.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Cost: \$3,748,747.

Estimated Respondents' Operation and Maintenance Costs: \$12,215,500.

Estimated Respondents' Capital and Start-Up Costs: \$0.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to the Federal Government: \$112,732.

Comments

Comments may be submitted as indicated in the **ADDRESSES** caption above. Comments are solicited to (a) evaluate whether the proposed data collection is necessary for the proper performance of the Agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) evaluate the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

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