



Federal Emergency Management Agency

Washington, D.C. 20472

December 18, 2013

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

The Honorable Tom Schoolcraft
Mayor, City of Helotes
P.O. Box 507
Helotes, TX 78023

IN REPLY REFER TO:

Case No.: 13-06-4596P
Community Name: City of Helotes, TX
Community No.: 481643
Effective Date of
This Revision: **May 1, 2014**

Dear Mayor Schoolcraft:

The Flood Insurance Rate Map for your community has been revised by this Letter of Map Revision (LOMR). Please use the enclosed annotated map panel(s) revised by this LOMR for floodplain management purposes and for all flood insurance policies and renewals issued in your community.

Additional documents are enclosed that provide information regarding this LOMR. Please see the List of Enclosures below to determine which documents are included. Other attachments specific to this request may be included as referenced in the Determination Document. If you have any questions regarding floodplain management regulations for your community or the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) in general, please contact the Consultation Coordination Officer for your community. If you have any technical questions regarding this LOMR, please contact the Director, Mitigation Division of the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in Denton, Texas, at (940) 898-5127, or the FEMA Map Information eXchange toll free at 1-877-336-2627 (1-877-FEMA MAP). Additional information about the NFIP is available on our Web site at <http://www.fema.gov/business/nfip>.

Sincerely,

Luis Rodriguez, P.E., Chief
Engineering Management Branch
Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration

List of Enclosures:

Letter of Map Revision Determination Document
Annotated Flood Insurance Rate Map
Annotated Flood Insurance Study Report

cc: The Honorable Julian Castro
Mayor, City of San Antonio

Mr. Mohamed A. Bagha, P.E., PMP, CFM
Michael Baker Jr., Inc.

Mr. Daniel Aguilar, P.E., CFM.
Floodplain Administrator, City of San Antonio

Mr. David Wegmann, P.E.
Services Manager, Bexar County Infrastructure Services

Mr. Derek Naiser, P.E., CFM
Floodplain Administrator, City of Helotes



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LETTER OF MAP REVISION DETERMINATION DOCUMENT

COMMUNITY AND REVISION INFORMATION		PROJECT DESCRIPTION	BASIS OF REQUEST
COMMUNITY	City of Helotes Bexar County Texas	NO PROJECT	HYDRAULIC ANALYSIS NEW TOPOGRAPHIC DATA
	COMMUNITY NO.: 481643		
IDENTIFIER	French Creek at Cedar Springs	APPROXIMATE LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE: 29.564, -98.665 SOURCE: USGS QUADRANGLE DATUM: NAD 83	
ANNOTATED MAPPING ENCLOSURES		ANNOTATED STUDY ENCLOSURES	
TYPE: FIRM* NO.: 48029C0210G DATE: September 29, 2010		DATE OF EFFECTIVE FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY: September 29, 2010 PROFILES: 226P	

Enclosures reflect changes to flooding sources affected by this revision.

* FIRM - Flood Insurance Rate Map

FLOODING SOURCE AND REVISED REACH

French Creek - from approximately 2,850 feet downstream of the confluence of Unnamed Tributary 5 in French Creek to approximately 240 feet upstream of the confluence of Unnamed Tributary 5 in French Creek

SUMMARY OF REVISIONS

Flooding Source	Effective Flooding	Revised Flooding	Increases	Decreases
French Creek	Zone AE	Zone AE	YES	YES
	BFEs*	BFEs	YES	YES
	Zone X (Shaded)	Zone X (Shaded)	YES	YES

* BFEs - Base Flood Elevations

DETERMINATION

This document provides the determination from the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) regarding a request for a Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) for the area described above. Using the information submitted, we have determined that a revision to the flood hazards depicted in the Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report and/or National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) map is warranted. This document revises the effective NFIP map, as indicated in the attached documentation. Please use the enclosed annotated map panels revised by this LOMR for floodplain management purposes and for all flood insurance policies and renewals in your community.

This determination is based on the flood data presently available. The enclosed documents provide additional information regarding this determination. If you have any questions about this document, please contact the FEMA Map Information eXchange toll free at 1-877-336-2627 (1-877-FEMA MAP) or by letter addressed to the LOMC Clearinghouse, 847 South Pickett Street, Alexandria, VA 22304-4605. Additional information about the NFIP is available on our Web site at <http://www.fema.gov/business/nfip>.

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OTHER COMMUNITIES AFFECTED BY THIS REVISION

CID Number: 480045 **Name:** City of San Antonio, Texas

AFFECTED MAP PANELS

TYPE: FIRM* NO.: 48029C0210G DATE: September 29, 2010
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AFFECTED PORTIONS OF THE FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY REPORT

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PROFILE: 226P

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COMMUNITY INFORMATION

APPLICABLE NFIP REGULATIONS/COMMUNITY OBLIGATION

We have made this determination pursuant to Section 206 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) and in accordance with the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended (Title XIII of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, P.L. 90-448), 42 U.S.C. 4001-4128, and 44 CFR Part 65. Pursuant to Section 1361 of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended, communities participating in the NFIP are required to adopt and enforce floodplain management regulations that meet or exceed NFIP criteria. These criteria, including adoption of the FIS report and FIRM, and the modifications made by this LOMR, are the minimum requirements for continued NFIP participation and do not supersede more stringent State/Commonwealth or local requirements to which the regulations apply.

COMMUNITY REMINDERS

We based this determination on the 1-percent-annual-chance flood discharges computed in the FIS for your community without considering subsequent changes in watershed characteristics that could increase flood discharges. Future development of projects upstream could cause increased flood discharges, which could cause increased flood hazards. A comprehensive restudy of your community's flood hazards would consider the cumulative effects of development on flood discharges subsequent to the publication of the FIS report for your community and could, therefore, establish greater flood hazards in this area.

Your community must regulate all proposed floodplain development and ensure that any permits required by Federal or State/Commonwealth law have been obtained. State/Commonwealth or community officials, based on knowledge of local conditions and in the interest of safety, may set higher standards for construction or may limit development in floodplain areas. If your State/Commonwealth or community has adopted more restrictive or comprehensive floodplain management criteria, those criteria take precedence over the minimum NFIP requirements.

We will not print and distribute this LOMR to primary users, such as local insurance agents or mortgage lenders; instead, the community will serve as a repository for the new data. We encourage you to disseminate the information in this LOMR by preparing a news release for publication in your community's newspaper that describes the revision and explains how your community will provide the data and help interpret the NFIP maps. In that way, interested persons, such as property owners, insurance agents, and mortgage lenders, can benefit from the information.

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We have designated a Consultation Coordination Officer (CCO) to assist your community. The CCO will be the primary liaison between your community and FEMA. For information regarding your CCO, please contact:

Mr. Frank Pagano
Director, Mitigation Division
Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region VI
Federal Regional Center, Room 206
800 North Loop 288
Denton, TX 76209
(940) 898-5127

STATUS OF THE COMMUNITY NFIP MAPS

We will not physically revise and republish the FIRM and FIS report for your community to reflect the modifications made by this LOMR at this time. When changes to the previously cited FIRM panel and FIS report warrant physical revision and republication in the future, we will incorporate the modifications made by this LOMR at that time.

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PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF REVISION

A notice of changes will be published in the *Federal Register*. This information also will be published in your local newspaper on or about the dates listed below and through FEMA's Flood Hazard Mapping Web site at https://www.floodmaps.fema.gov/fhm/Scripts/bfe_main.asp.

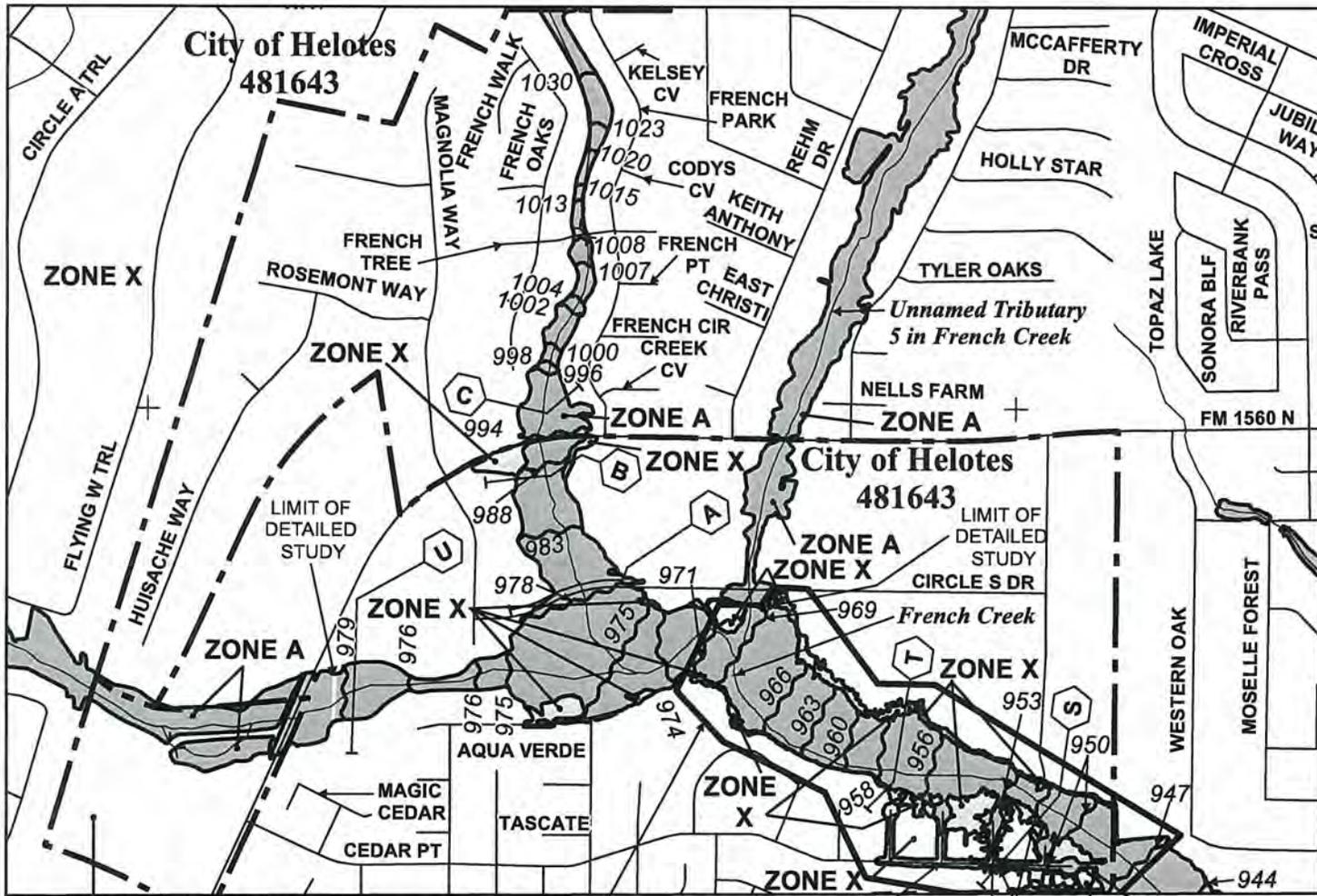
LOCAL NEWSPAPER Name: *The Helotes Echo*
Dates: 12/25/2013 and 01/01/2014

Within 90 days of the second publication in the local newspaper, a citizen may request that we reconsider this determination. Any request for reconsideration must be based on scientific or technical data. Therefore, this letter will be effective only after the 90-day appeal period has elapsed and we have resolved any appeals that we receive during this appeal period. Until this LOMR is effective, the revised BFEs presented in this LOMR may be changed.

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City of San Antonio 480045

French Creek Tributary 4
ZONE A

Legend

- 1% annual chance (100-Year) Floodplain
- 1% annual chance (100-Year) Floodway
- 0.2% annual chance (500-Year) Floodplain/Future Base Floodplain

MAP SCALE 1" = 1000'

500 0 1000
300 0 300
FEET METERS

City of Helotes 481643

City of San Antonio 480035
Extraterritorial Jurisdiction

REVISED AREA

531°00'00"E 532°00'00"E 533°

JOINS PANEL 0220

STRAIGHT CEDAR STRONG CEDAR

French Creek

ZONE A ZONE X

NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM

PANEL 0210G

FIRM
FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP
BEXAR COUNTY,
TEXAS
AND INCORPORATED AREAS

PANEL 210 OF 785
(SEE MAP INDEX FOR FIRM PANEL LAYOUT)

CONTAINS:

COMMUNITY	NUMBER	PANEL	SUFFIX
BEXAR COUNTY	480035	0210	G
GREY FOREST, CITY OF	480039	0210	G
HELOTES, CITY OF	481643	0210	G
SAN ANTONIO, CITY OF	480045	0210	G

REVISED TO REFLECT LOMR EFFECTIVE: May 1, 2014

Notice to User: The Map Number shown below should be used when placing map orders; the Community Number shown above should be used on insurance applications for the subject community.

MAP NUMBER 48029C0210G
MAP REVISED SEPTEMBER 29, 2010

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