

Issue 58: Orange County GIS files for Effective LOMCs

Background

Beginning on July 1, 2006, the State of North Carolina and Mecklenburg County implemented the first phase of a FEMA pilot program involving the delegation of MT-2 Letters of Map Change (LOMCs). The program will enable the State and Mecklenburg County to evaluate and process conditional and final LOMC requests involving regulated flooding sources within the boundaries of the state pursuant to Mapping Activity Statements with FEMA.

In processing the final LOMC requests for Orange County, of particular concern is providing the County with an electronic file of the floodplain annotation depicted on the Annotated Flood Insurance Rate Map. The electronic file will be utilized by the County's GIS department. Decisions will need to be made regarding how electronic data will be sent to the County.

Recommendations

Whenever an Orange County final LOMC becomes effective, provide the County GIS department with an electronic file of the floodplain annotation depicted on the Annotated Flood Insurance Rate Map. The electronic file will be in a format that can be utilized by the County's GIS department. The County's GIS department currently uses ArcGIS 9.x and will accept electronic files in the format of shapefiles, coverage, or a geodatabase.

Discussion Summary: See "Recommendations"

Date Discussed: August 22, 2006 and September 11, 2006

Discussion Attendees: Staff from NCFMP, Dewberry, and Orange County

Summary of Discussion

Recommendations were adopted.

Final Guidelines

Guidelines follow the procedures discussed in the "Recommendations" section of this issue paper.

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