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February 1, 2022

TO: Mayors, Supervisors, and Community Officials of Ontario County, NY

City of Canandaigua

City of Geneva

Town of Bristol

Town of Canadice

Town of Canandaigua

Town of East Bloomfield

Town of Farmington

Town of Geneva

Town of Gorham

Town of Hopewell

Town of Manchester

Town of Naples

Town of Phelps

Town of Richmond

Town of Seneca

Town of South Bristol

Town of Victor

Town of West Bloomfield

Village of Clifton Springs

Village of Manchester

Village of Naples

Village of Phelps

Village of Rushville

Village of Shortsville

Village of Victor

RE: 30-Day Data Submission Notification

Dear Ontario County Community Officials:

FEMA, with our mapping partner, STARR II, have finalized the draft Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) database for Ontario County, New York. Completing this draft database concludes the initial collection and analysis of floodplain engineering data for your community, and provides the best available representation of flood hazard to this point.

The draft FIRM database includes proposed Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHAs) – areas subject to inundation by the 1-percent-annual-chance flood – that will be mapped on the FIRM for your community. Over time, streamflow and surface drainage patterns change because of erosion, development, and other factors. As a result, SFHA boundaries and zone types may appear differently from the current Effective mapping throughout Ontario County.

The draft FIRM database is available for your community's review, in the form of digital workmaps that are available on the FEMA Geoplatform linked here: <u>Draft Flood Hazard Viewer</u>. We encourage you to share these workmaps with elected officials, staff, and other interested entities in your community, ahead of a Virtual Flood Risk Review Meeting we will be coordinating later this month.

If your community would like to review the draft FIRM database or other flood hazard data, reach out to the FEMA Project Monitor listed below. As stated, this data is still considered draft/provisional, and will undergo further review pending community feedback before development into the Preliminary FIRM database.

Your community will have 30 days following the date of the Virtual Flood Risk Review Meeting to review the digital workmaps and provide feedback to the FEMA Region II staff identified below. You will have additional opportunities to provide feedback on the resulting SFHAs and other flood hazard information before the data is finalized.

FEMA wants you to have the most current and accurate flood risk products possible. We rely on your feedback, partnership, and knowledge to best characterize flood risk in your community, in support of promoting flood resiliency. We look forward to working with community officials and other stakeholders in Ontario County to increase flood risk awareness and reduce risk to lives and property from flood events.

Please ask questions, send any data, and provide comments on the digital workmaps within 30 days of the February 2022 Flood Risk Review meeting. Contact the FEMA Project Monitor, Shudipto Rahman, by email at shudipto.rahman@fema.dhs.gov or by phone at 202-702-4273.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: None

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