

Dated: August 28, 2007.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Emergency
Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Notice and request for
comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency
Management Agency (FEMA), as part of
its continuing effort to reduce
paperwork and respondent burden,
invites the general public and other
Federal agencies to take this
opportunity to comment on a proposed
revised information collection. In
accordance with the Paperwork
Reduction Act of 1995, this notice seeks
comments concerning information
required by FEMA to amend or revise
National Flood Insurance Program
(NFIP) Maps to remove certain property
from the 1-percent annual chance
floodplain.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: With the
passage of the Flood Disaster Protection

Act of 1973, an owner of a structure,
with a federally backed mortgage,
located in the 1-percent annual chance
floodplain, was required to purchase
federal flood insurance. This was in
response to the escalating damage
caused by flooding and the
unavailability of flood insurance from
commercial insurance companies. As
part of this effort, FEMA mapped the 1-
percent annual chance floodplain in
communities. However, due to scale
limitations, individual structures that
may be above the base flood cannot
always be shown as being out of the 1-
percent annual chance floodplain.
FEMA will issue a Letter of Map
Amendment (LOMA) or a Letter of Map
Revision—Based on Fill (LOMR-F) to
waive the Federal requirement for flood
insurance when data is submitted to
show that the property or structure is
“reasonably safe from flooding” and at
or above the elevation of the base flood.
Requestors can check on the status of
their Letter of Map Amendment
(LOMA), Letter of Map Revision Based
on Fill (LOMR-F), Conditional Letter of
Map Amendment (CLOMA), and
Conditional Letter of Map Revision
Based on Fill (CLOMR-F) request by
visiting FEMA’s Mapping Information
Platform Web site at [https://
hazards.fema.gov](https://hazards.fema.gov).

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
collection.

OMB Number: 1660-0015.

Form Numbers: FEMA Forms 81-87,
81-87A, 81-87B.

Abstract: The certification forms
(referred to as MT-1 series forms) are
designed to assist requesters in
gathering information that the FEMA
needs to determine whether a certain
property is likely to be flooded during
a flood event that has a one-percent
annual chance of being equalled or
exceeded in any given year (base flood).
FEMA Form 81-87, Property
Information, describes the location of
the property, what is being requested,
and what data are required to support
the request. FEMA Form 81-87A,
Elevation Information, indicates what
the Base (one-percent annual chance)
Flood Elevation (BFE) for the property
is, how the BFE was determined, the
lowest ground elevation on the
property, and/or the elevation of the
lowest adjacent grade to any structures
on the property. This information is
required in order for FEMA to
determine if the property that the
requester would like removed from the
Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) is at
or above the BFE. FEMA Form 81-87B,
Community Acknowledgment, requires
that a community official certify that the
request complies with minimum
floodplain management criteria
specified in 44 CFR 60.3, as per NFIP
regulations 44 CFR 65.5(a)(4).

Affected Public: Individuals or
Households, Business or other for-profit
organizations, and state and local or
tribal government.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden
Hours:* 58,150.

ANNUAL BURDEN HOURS

Project/activity (survey, form(s), focus group, worksheet, etc.)	Number of respondents	Frequency of responses	Burden hours per respondent	Annual responses	Total annual burden hours
	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D) = (A×B)	(E) = (C×D)
Form 81-87, Property Information Form (Homeowners/Rep- resentatives of Homeowner).	18,272	Annual (1) ...	1.63	18,272	29,783
Form 81-87A, Elevation Form (Surveyors/Engineers)	18,272	Annual (1) ...	1.25	18,272	22,840
Form 81-87B, Community Acknowledgment Form (Commu- nity Officials).	3,389	Annual (1) ...	1.38	3,389	4,677
On-line LOMA/LOMR-F Tutorial (Homeowners)	1,700	Annual (1) ...	0.5	1,700	850
Total	41,633		4.76	41,633	58,150

Estimated Cost: Cost to respondents is
estimated to be \$1,258,199 annually.

Comments: Interested persons are
invited to submit written comments on
the proposed information collection to
the Office of Information and Regulatory
Affairs, Office of Management Budget,
Attention: Nathan Lesser, Desk Officer,

Department of Homeland Security/
FEMA, and sent via electronic mail to
oira_submission@omb.eop.gov or faxed
to (202) 395-6974. Comments must be
submitted on or before October 4, 2007.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Contact Ms. Cecelia Lynch, FEMA,
Federal Insurance and Mitigation

Administration at (202) 646-7045 for
additional information. You may
contact the Records Management
Branch for copies of the proposed
collection of information at facsimile
number (202) 646-3347 or e-mail
address: [FEMA-Information-
Collections@dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-Information-Collections@dhs.gov).

Dated: August 27, 2007.

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Emergency Management Agency, Department
of Homeland Security.*

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[FEMA-1717-DR]

Minnesota; Amendment No. 1 to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration

AGENCY: Federal Emergency
Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice amends the notice of a major disaster declaration for the State of Minnesota (FEMA-1717-DR), dated August 23, 2007, and related determinations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 24, 2007.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Peggy Miller, Disaster Assistance
Directorate, Federal Emergency
Management Agency, Washington, DC
20472, (202) 646-2705.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The notice of a major disaster declaration for the State of Minnesota is hereby amended to include the following areas among those areas determined to have been adversely affected by the catastrophe declared a major disaster by the President in his declaration of August 23, 2007.

Olmsted, Steele, and Wabasha Counties for Individual Assistance and Public Assistance Category B (emergency protective measures), including direct Federal assistance.

(The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora Brown Fund Program; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services Program; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance; 97.048, Individuals and Households Housing; 97.049, Individuals and Households Disaster Housing Operations; 97.050 Individuals and Households Program—Other Needs, 97.036, Public Assistance Grants; 97.039, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.)

R. David Paulison,

*Administrator, Federal Emergency
Management Agency.*

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[FEMA-1717-DR]

Minnesota; Major Disaster and Related Determinations

AGENCY: Federal Emergency
Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is a notice of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for the State of Minnesota (FEMA-1717-DR), dated August 23, 2007, and related determinations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 23, 2007.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Peggy Miller, Disaster Assistance
Directorate, Federal Emergency
Management Agency, Washington, DC
20472, (202) 646-2705.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated August 23, 2007, the President declared a major disaster under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5206 (the Stafford Act), as follows:

I have determined that the damage in certain areas of the State of Minnesota resulting from severe storms and flooding beginning on August 18, 2007, and continuing, is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant a major disaster declaration under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 5121-5206 (the Stafford Act). Therefore, I declare that such a major disaster exists in the State of Minnesota.

In order to provide Federal assistance, you are hereby authorized to allocate from funds available for these purposes such amounts as you find necessary for Federal disaster assistance and administrative expenses.

You are authorized to provide Individual Assistance in the designated areas; assistance for emergency protective measures (Category B), including direct Federal assistance, under the Public Assistance program in the designated areas; Hazard Mitigation throughout the State, and any other forms of assistance under the Stafford Act that you deem appropriate subject to completion of Preliminary Damage Assessments (PDAs), unless you determine that the incident is of such unusual severity and magnitude that PDAs are not required to determine the need for supplemental Federal assistance pursuant to 44 CFR 206.33(d).

Consistent with the requirement that Federal assistance be supplemental, any Federal funds provided under the Stafford Act for Hazard Mitigation and Other Needs Assistance will be limited to 75 percent of the total eligible costs. Federal funds provided under the Stafford Act for Public Assistance also will be limited to 75 percent

of the total eligible costs, except for any particular projects that are eligible for a higher Federal cost-sharing percentage under the FEMA Public Assistance Pilot Program instituted pursuant to 6 U.S.C. 777.

Further, you are authorized to make changes to this declaration to the extent allowable under the Stafford Act.

The time period prescribed for the implementation of section 310(a), Priority to Certain Applications for Public Facility and Public Housing Assistance, 42 U.S.C. 5153, shall be for a period not to exceed six months after the date of this declaration.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) hereby gives notice that pursuant to the authority vested in the Administrator, Department of Homeland Security, under Executive Order 12148, as amended, Carlos Mitchell, of FEMA is appointed to act as the Federal Coordinating Officer for this declared disaster.

I do hereby determine the following areas of the State of Minnesota to have been affected adversely by this declared major disaster:

Fillmore, Houston, and Winona Counties for Individual Assistance and Public Assistance Category B (emergency protective measures), including direct Federal assistance.

All counties within the State of Minnesota are eligible to apply for assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[FEMA-1715-DR]

Vermont; Amendment No. 2 to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration

AGENCY: Federal Emergency
Management Agency, DHS.