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February 16, 2016

CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

The Honorable Tom Ryan Mayor, City of Blaine 10801 Town Square Drive NE Blaine, MN 55449 IN REPLY REFER TO:

Case No.:15-05-7513PCommunity Name:City of Blaine, MNCommunity No.:270007Effective Date ofJuly 1, 2016

Dear Mayor Ryan:

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 revised by this LOMR for floodplain management purposes and for all flood insurance policies and renewals issued in your community.

Additional documents are enclosed which 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 Chicago, Illinois, at (312) 408-5500, 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 website 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

cc: Mr. Tom Scott Project Coordinator, City of Blaine

> Ms. Ceil Strauss, CFM Minnesota Department Natural Resources – Waters

Mr. Ryan Bluhm, P.E. Westwood Professional Services

Mr. Paul Heuer Pulte Group



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LETTER OF MAP REVISION **DETERMINATION DOCUMENT**

COMMUNITY AND REVISION INFORMATION		PROJECT DESCRIPTION	BASIS OF REQUEST
COMMUNITY	City of Blaine Anoka County Minnesota	CULVERT FILL	HYDRAULIC ANALYSIS HYDROLOGIC ANALYSIS NEW TOPOGRAPHIC DATA
	COMMUNITY NO.: 270007		
IDENTIFIER	Sanctuary Preserve	APPROXIMATE LATITUDE & LONGITUDE: 45.176, -93.176 SOURCE: Other DATUM: NAD 83	
ANNOTATED MAPPING ENCLOSURES		ANNOTATED STUDY ENCLOSURES	
TYPE: FIRM* NO.: 27003C0345E DATE: December 16, 2015		NO REVISION TO THE FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY REPORT	
Enclosures reflect changes to flooding sources affected by this revision. * FIRM - Flood Insurance Rate Map			
FLOODING SOURCE & REVISED REACH			
Unnamed Zone A (Anoka County Ditch 53-62) – From approximately 1,400 feet north of the intersection of 109 th Avenue NE and Lexington Avenue NE to approximately 4,700 feet northwest of the intersection of 109th Avenue NE and Lexington Avenue NE			
SUMMARY OF REVISIONS			
Flooding Source Effective Flood			STOCK STATE STATES STATES STATES STATES STATES
Unnamed Zone A (Anoka County Ditch 53-62) Zone A Zone A YES YES			
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 website at http://www.fema.gov/nfip.			
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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.

NFIP regulations Subparagraph 60.3(b)(7) requires communities to ensure that the flood-carrying capacity within the altered or relocated portion of any watercourse is maintained. This provision is incorporated into your community's existing floodplain management ordinances; therefore, responsibility for maintenance of the altered or relocated watercourse, including any related appurtenances such as bridges, culverts, and other drainage structures, rests with your community. We may request that your community submit a description and schedule of maintenance activities necessary to ensure this requirement.

COMMUNITY REMINDERS

We based this determination on the 1-percent-annual-chance discharges computed in the submitted hydrologic model. Future development of projects upstream could cause increased discharges, which could cause increased flood hazards. A comprehensive restudy of your community's flood hazards would consider the cumulative effects of development on discharges and could, therefore, indicate that greater flood hazards exist in this area.

Your community must regulate all proposed floodplain development and ensure that permits required by Federal and/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.

This revision has met our criteria for removing an area from the 1-percent-annual-chance floodplain to reflect the placement of fill. However, we encourage you to require that the lowest adjacent grade and lowest floor (including basement) of any structure placed within the subject area be elevated to or above the Base (1-percent-annual-chance) Flood Elevation.

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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:

Ms. Christine Stack Director, Mitigation Division Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region V 536 South Clark Street, Sixth Floor Chicago, IL 60605 (312) 408-5500

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 panels 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 website at <u>https://www.floodmaps.fema.gov/fhm/Scripts/bfe_main.asp</u>.

LOCAL NEWSPAPER

Name: *Blaine/Spring Lake Park Life* Dates: February 26, 2016 and March 4, 2016

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 flood hazard information presented in this LOMR may be changed.

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