



# Federal Emergency Management Agency

Washington, D C 20472

**April 24, 2009**

CERTIFIED MAIL  
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

The Honorable Don Knabe  
Chairman, Los Angeles County  
Board of Supervisors  
500 West Temple Street, Room 822  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

IN REPLY REFER TO:

Case No.: 09-09-1285P  
Community Name: Los Angeles County, CA  
Community No. 065043  
Effective Date of  
This Revision: **April 24, 2009**

Dear Mr Knabe:

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 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 Oakland, California, at (510) 627-7175, or the FEMA Map Assistance Center 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/nfip>

Sincerely,

Dahlia Kasperski, P.E., CFM, Program Specialist  
Engineering Management Branch  
Mitigation Directorate

For: William R. Blanton Jr., CFM, Chief  
Engineering Management Branch  
Mitigation Directorate

List of Enclosures

Letter of Map Revision Determination Document  
Annotated Flood Insurance Rate Map

cc Mr Ric Sun  
Department of Public Works  
County of Los Angeles

Mr Mark Pastrella  
Assistant Deputy Director  
Watershed Management Division  
County of Los Angeles



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## LETTER OF MAP REVISION DETERMINATION DOCUMENT

COMMUNITY AND REVISION INFORMATION		PROJECT DESCRIPTION	BASIS OF REQUEST
COMMUNITY	Los Angeles County California (Unincorporated Areas)	NO PROJECT	BASE MAP CHANGES MAP UPDATE
	COMMUNITY NO.: 065043		
IDENTIFIER	Villa Canyon Road – Route 5 and Villa Canyon Creek Map Update LOMR	APPROXIMATE LATITUDE & LONGITUDE: 34.471, -118.619 SOURCE: Other	DATUM: NAD 83
ANNOTATED MAPPING ENCLOSURES		ANNOTATED STUDY ENCLOSURES	
TYPE: FIRM*	NO.: 06037C0805 F      DATE: September 26, 2008	NO REVISION TO THE FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY REPORT	

Enclosures reflect changes to flooding sources affected by this revision.

\* FIRM Flood Insurance Rate Map; \*\* FBFM Flood Boundary and Floodway Map; \*\*\* FHBM Flood Hazard Boundary Map

### FLOODING SOURCE(S) & REVISED REACH(ES)

Basin at Villa Canyon Road and Route 5 – from approximately 200 feet northwest of the intersection of Hillcrest Parkway and The Old Road to approximately 700 feet northwest of that intersection

Villa Canyon Creek – from approximately 500 feet upstream to approximately 900 feet upstream of Interstate Highway 5

### SUMMARY OF REVISIONS

This Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) is an update to FIRM Panel 06037C0805 F for Los Angeles County and its incorporated areas, dated September 26, 2008. The new FIRM only partially incorporated LOMRs that were effective January 3, 1997 (Case No. 97-09-070P), and May 1 2001 (Case No. 01-09-190P), which revised the Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHAs), the areas that would be inundated by the base (1-percent-annual-chance) flood, along the Basin at Villa Canyon Road and Route 5 and along Villa Canyon Creek. This LOMR updates the portions of the affected FIRM panels to entirely incorporate the January 3 and May 1 LOMRs along the Basin at Villa Canyon Road and Route 5 and along Villa Canyon Creek, thereby revising the September 26 FIRM panels for the revision area. This LOMR does not revise the SFHA boundaries from the January 3 and May 1 LOMRs along this revised reaches.

### DETERMINATION

This document provides the determination from the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) regarding a request for a 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 Assistance Center toll free at 1-877-336-2627 (1-877-FEMA MAP) or by letter addressed to the LOMR Depot, 3601 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22304. 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 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 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 permits required by Federal and/or State law have been obtained State 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 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. How encourage you to require that the lowest adjacent grade and lowest floor (including basement) of any structure placed within the subject ar 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. Sally M. Ziolkowski  
Director, Mitigation Division  
Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region IX  
1111 Broadway Street, Suite 1200  
Oakland, CA 94607-4052  
(510) 627 7175

**STATUS OF THE COMMUNITY NFIP MAPS**

We will not physically revise and republish the FIRM for your community to reflect the modifications made by this LOMR at this time. When changes to the previously cited FIRM panel(s) 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**

This revision is effective as of the date of this letter. Any requests to review or alter this determination should be made within 30 days and must be based on scientific or technical data.

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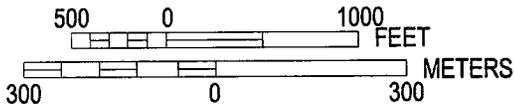
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Legend

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



MAP SCALE 1" = 1000'



PANEL 0805F

**FIRM**  
FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP

LOS ANGELES COUNTY,  
CALIFORNIA  
AND INCORPORATED AREAS

PANEL 805 OF 2350

(SEE MAP INDEX FOR FIRM PANEL LAYOUT)

CONTAINS:

COMMUNITY	NUMBER	PANEL	SUFFIX
LOS ANGELES COUNTY	065043	0805	F
SANTA CLARITA, CITY OF	060729	0805	F

**REVISED TO  
REFLECT LOMR  
EFFECTIVE: April 24, 2009**

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  
06037C0805F

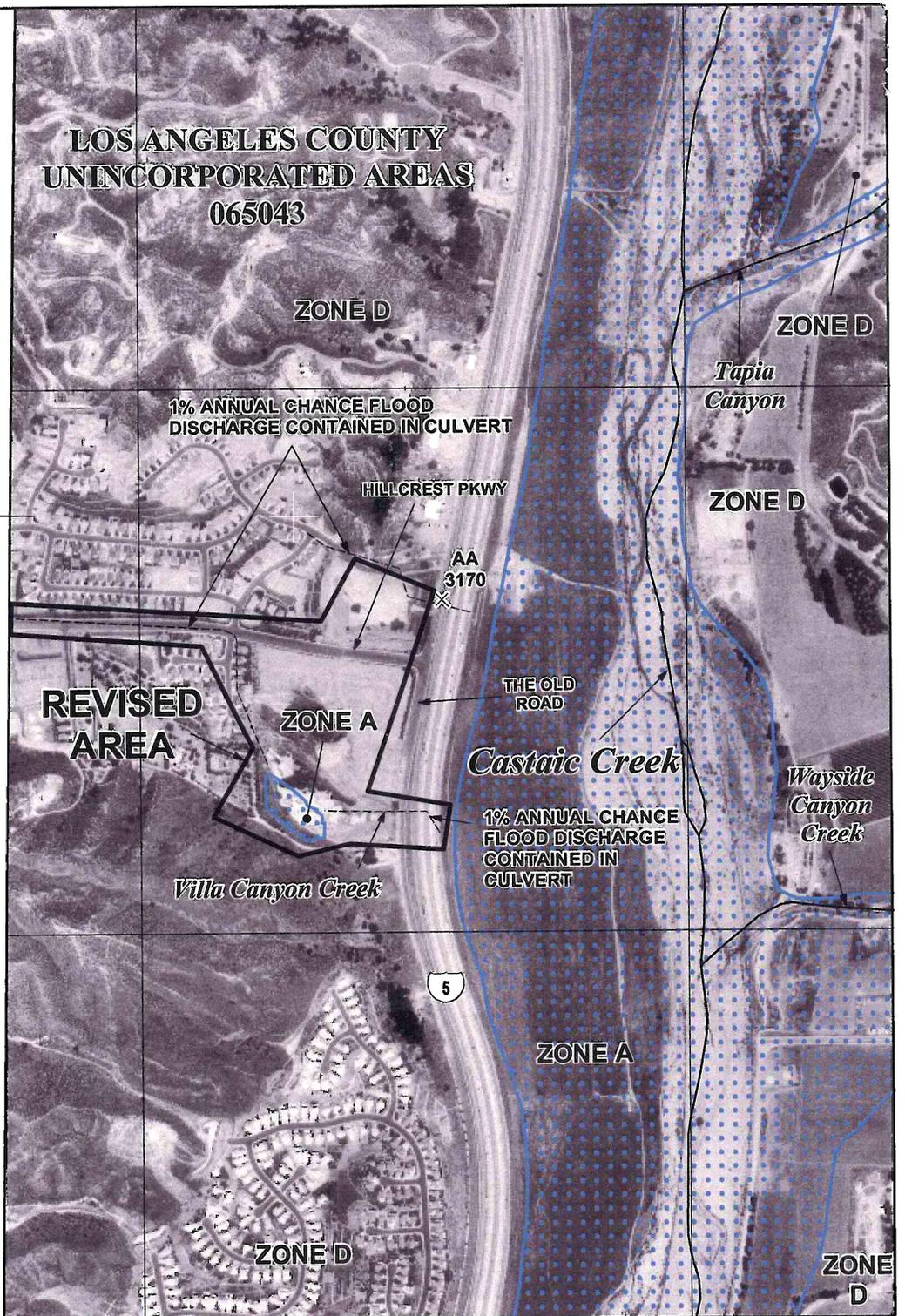
EFFECTIVE DATE  
SEPTEMBER 26, 2008

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LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
UNINCORPORATED AREAS  
065043

1995000 FT

JOINS PANEL 0800



ZONE D

ZONE D

Tapia  
Canyon

ZONE D

HILLCREST PKWY

AA  
3170

REVISED  
AREA

ZONE A

THE OLD  
ROAD

Castaic Creek

Wayside  
Canyon  
Creek

1% ANNUAL CHANCE  
FLOOD DISCHARGE  
CONTAINED IN  
CULVERT

Villa Canyon Creek

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ZONE A

ZONE D

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