**Proposed Rules** 

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

## Federal Emergency Management Agency

### 44 CFR Part 67

[Docket No. FEMA-B-7443]

## Proposed Flood Elevation Determinations

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** Technical information or comments are requested on the proposed Base (1% annual-chance) Flood Elevations (BFEs) and proposed BFE modifications for the communities listed below. The BFEs and modified BFEs are the basis for the floodplain management measures that the community is required either to adopt or to show evidence of being already in effect in order to qualify or remain qualified for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

**DATES:** The comment period is ninety (90) days following the second publication of this proposed rule in a newspaper of local circulation in each community.

**ADDRESSES:** The proposed BFEs for each community are available for inspection at the office of the Chief Executive Officer of each community. The respective addresses are listed in the table below.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Doug Bellomo, P.E. Hazard Identification Section, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646–2903.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** FEMA proposes to make determinations of BFEs and modified BFEs for each community listed below, in accordance with Section 110 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, 42 U.S.C. 4104, and 44 CFR 67.4(a).

These proposed BFEs and modified BFEs, together with the floodplain management criteria required by 44 CFR 60.3, are the minimum that are required. They should not be construed to mean that the community must change any existing ordinances that are more stringent in their floodplain management requirements. The community may at any time enact stricter requirements of its own, or pursuant to policies established by other Federal, State, or regional entities. These proposed elevations are used to meet the floodplain management requirements of the NFIP and are also used to calculate the appropriate flood insurance premium rates for new buildings built after these elevations are made final, and for the contents in these buildings.

National Environmental Policy Act. This proposed rule is categorically excluded from the requirements of 44 CFR part 10, Environmental Consideration. No environmental impact assessment has been prepared. Regulatory Flexibility Act. The Mitigation Division Director of the Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate certifies that this proposed rule is exempt from the requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act because proposed or modified BFEs are required by the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, 42 U.S.C. 4104, and are required to establish and maintain community eligibility in the NFIP. No regulatory flexibility analysis has been prepared.

*Regulatory Classification.* This proposed rule is not a significant regulatory action under the criteria of Section 3(f) of Executive Order 12866 of September 30, 1993, Regulatory Planning and Review, 58 FR 51735.

*Executive Order 12612, Federalism.* This proposed rule involves no policies that have federalism implications under Executive Order 12612, Federalism, dated October 26, 1987.

*Executive Order 12778, Civil Justice Reform.* This proposed rule meets the applicable standards of Section 2(b)(2) of Executive Order 12778.

## List of Subjects in 44 CFR Part 67

Administrative practice and procedure, Flood insurance, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Accordingly, 44 CFR part 67 is proposed to be amended as follows:

### PART 67—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for part 67 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 4001 *et seq.*; Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1978, 3 CFR, 1978 Comp., p. 329; E.O. 12127, 44 FR 19367, 3 CFR, 1979 Comp., p. 376.

2. The tables published under the authority of 67.4 are proposed to be amended as follows:

State	City/town/county	Source of flooding	Location	#Depth in feet above ground. *Elevation in feet. + Elevation in feet (NGVD)	
				Existing	Modified
California	Oakdale (City), Stanislaus Coun- ty.	Stanislaus River	Approximately 4,700 feet downstream of State Highway 120.	*101	*101
			Approximately 2 miles upstream of State Highway 120.	*113	*114

State	City/to	wn/county	Source of flooding	Location		#Depth in feet above ground. *Elevation in feet. + Elevation in feet (NGVD)		
							Existing	Modified
Stanislaus Cour	ty Library	(Oakdale Bra	Community Development D anch) 151 South First Avenue uhn, Mayor, City of Oakdale,	e, Oakdale, Cal	ifornia 95361.			5361 or the
California	Stanis	nk (City), slaus Coun-	Stanislaus River	Approximately 4,800 feet downstream of Riverbank Highway.			None	*84
			Hall, 6707 Third Street, River	kiverbank Í bank, California	pproximately 4,000 feet upstream of Riverbank Highway. k, California 95367.			*87
Send comments to	The Hon	orable Willia	m O'Brien, Mayor, City of Rive	erbank, 6707 T	hird Street, Riv	erbank, Califor	rnia 95367.	
California	Stanisla	us County	Stanislaus River	Approximately 5 miles downstream of State Highway 99. Approximately 1,600 feet upstream of Or-			None *132	*45 *131
	o The Hor		) 10th Street, Suite 6500, Moo Simon, Chairman, Stanislaus	ange Bloss desto, California	om Road. a 95354.			
Montana		ck nboine and Tribes.	Big Muddy Creek	At confluence	with Missouri	River	None	+1,914
				Approximately Route 258	/ 2 miles upsti bridge.	ream of State	None	+1,965
			Missouri River	Approximately 8 miles downstream of confluence with Big Muddy Creek. Approximately 2,000 feet upstream of the confluence with Milk River. At confluence with Missouri River Approximately 1,200 feet downstream of confluence with West Fork Poplar River.			None	+1,910
							None	+2,032
			Poplar River				None None	+1,955 +2,191
			Porcupine Creek	Approximately 3,600 feet downstream of U.S. Highway 2.			None	+2,058
			Medicine Bear Road, Poplar,	Approximately 5 miles downstream of Midway Dam at the boundary of Sec- tion 26 and 35 Township 32 North Range 40 East.			None	+2,575
	1		Morales, Jr., Chairman, Fort I					
Washington	Chelan (	County	Wenatchee River	Approximately 100 feet upstream of Old Monitor Road. Approximately 1.7 miles upstream of			*717	*717
Send comments to			 Department of Public Works, 3 Walter, Chairman, Chelan Co	Main Street 350 Orondo Str	t. reet, Wenatche	e, Washington		*1,046 hee, Wash-
ington 98801.	Cashma	ere (City),	Wenatchee River	Approximately	( 1 200 foot d	ownetroom of	*755	*750
Washington		n County.	wenatchee River	Approximately 1,300 feet downstream of Cottage Avenue. Approximately 1,550 feet upstream of			*755 *762	*756 *763
			⊡ City Hall, 101 Woodring Stree on K. Irle, Mayor, City of Cash		Vashington 988		shington 98815.	
Flooding source(s)			Location of referenced elevation		Elevation in feet * (NGVD) Elevation in feet + (NAVD)		Communities affected	
					Effective Modified			
			Blaine County, and Mon	Incorporated Itana	Areas			
		Peoples	tely 3 miles upstream of confluence with		None	+2,299	Blaine County (Uninc. Areas) and	
		Approximat	ely 3.8 miles upstream of Ke	nnedy Road	None	+2,361	Fort Belknap I ervation	ndian Res-

Flooding source(s)	Location of referenced elevation	Elevation in feet * (NGVD) Elevation in feet + (NAVD)		Communities affected	
<b>c</b> ( <i>i</i>		Effective	Modified		
Peoples Creek	At confluence with Milk River	None	+2,296	Blaine County (Uninc. Areas) and	
	Approximately 1,500 feet upstream of Road Bridge	None	+2,339	Fort Belknap Indian Res- ervation	
Peoples Creek Split Flow	Approximately 6,200 feet upstream of confluence with Dodson South Canal.	None	+2,285	Fort Belknap Indian Res- ervation	
	At divergence from Peoples Creek	None	+2,321		
Little Peoples Creek	Approximately 2,600 feet downstream of convergence of Little Peoples Creek Split Flow.	None	+3,453	Fort Belknap Indian Res- ervation	
	Approximately 3,000 feet upstream of St. Pauls Mission Road.	None	+3,709		
Little Peoples Creek Split Flow.	At confluence with Little Peoples Creek	None	+3,489	Fort Belknap Indian	
	At divergence from Little Peoples Creek	None	+3,526	Reservation	

#### ADDRESSES Fort Belknap Indian Reservation

Maps are available for inspection at the Tribal Office Building, Highway 2 & Route 66, Harlem, Montana 59526.

Send comments to the Honorable Benjamin Speakthunder, Tribal Council President, Rural Route 1, Box 66, Harlem, Montana 59526. Unincorporated Areas Blaine County

Maps are available for inspection at the County Courthouse, 400 Ohio Street, Chinook, Montana 59523.

Send comments to the Honorable Don Swenson, Chairman, Blaine County Board of Commissioners, 400 Ohio Street, Chinook, Montana 59523.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 83.100, "Flood Insurance.")

Dated: December 24, 2003.

### Anthony S. Lowe,

Mitigation Division Director, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate. [FR Doc. 04–165 Filed 1–5–04; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6718–04–P

# FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

## 47 CFR Part 73

[DA 03–4035, MB Docket No. 03–258, RM– 10833]

### Radio Broadcasting Services; Newcastle and Pine Haven, WY

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

## **ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** This document requests comments on a Petition for Rule Making filed by Michael Radio Group, licensee of Station KRKI(FM), Channel 258A, Newcastle, Wyoming, proposing the substitution of Channel 258C0 for Channel 258A at Newcastle, Wyoming and the modification of the license for Station KRKI(FM) accordingly. The FM Table of Allotments has not been amended to reflect the grant of a license application for Station KRKI(FM) to specify operation on Channel 258A in lieu of Channel 257A at Newcastle, Wyoming (BLH-20030117AAS). This action constitutes an editorial change in the FM Table of Allotments. Moreover,

we find for good cause that a public notice and comment proceeding is unnecessary. See 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(A) and (B). Channel 258C0 can be allotted to Newcastle, Wyoming, in compliance with the minimum distance separation requirement of the Commission's Rules, provided there is a site restriction 36.5 kilometers (22.7 miles) east of the community. The reference coordinates for Channel 258C0 at Newcastle are 43-52-10 NL and 103-45-04 WL. To accommodate the allotment at Newcastle, we shall also propose the substitution of Channel 260A for vacant Channel 259A at Pine Haven, Wyoming. Channel 260A can be allotted to Pine Haven, in compliance with the minimum distance separation requirement of the Commission's Rules at city reference coordinates. The reference coordinates for Channel 260A at Pine Haven are 44-21-28 NL and 104–48–36 WL. In accordance with Section 1.420(g) of the Commission's Rules, we will not accept competing expressions of interest for the use of Channel 258C0 at Newcastle, Wyoming or require Petitioner to demonstrate the availability of an additional equivalent class channel for use by such parties.

**DATES:** Comments must be filed on or before February 17, 2004, and reply comments on or before March 3, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** Federal Communications Commission, 445 Twelfth Street, SW., Washington, DC. 20554. In addition to filing comments with the FCC, interested parties should serve the petitioner, as follows: Michael Radio Group, c/o A. Wray Fitch III, Gammon and Grange, P.C., 8280 Greensboro Drive, 7th Floor, McLean, Virginia 22101–3807.

### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Rolanda F. Smith, Media Bureau, (202) 418–2180.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a summary of the Commission's Notice of Proposed Rule Making, MB Docket No. adopted December 18, 2003, and released December 23, 2003. The full text of this Commission decision is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the Commission's Reference Center 445 Twelfth Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554. The complete text of this decision may also be purchased from the Commission's duplicating contractor, Qualex International Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW., Room CY-B402, Washington, DC, 20554, telephone (202) 863-2893, facsimile 202-863-2898, or via e-mail qualexint@aol.com.

Provisions of the Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 do not apply to this proceeding. Members of the public should note that from the time a Notice of Proposed Rule Making is issued until the matter is no longer subject to Commission consideration or court review, all *ex parte* contacts are prohibited in Commission proceedings, such as this one, which involve channel allotments. *See* 47 CFR 1.1204(b) for rules governing permissible *ex parte* contact.