Flooding source(s)	Location of referenced elevation**	* Elevation in feet (NGVD) + Elevation in feet (NAVD) # Depth in feet above ground		Communities affected
		Effective	Modified	
Raven Fork	Approximately 1,650 feet upstream of Big Cove Road	None	+2638	Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.
	Approximately 0.5 mile upstream of Big Cove Road	None	+2663	
Shepherd Creek	At the confluence with Kirkland Creek	None	+1844	Unincorporated Areas of Swain County.
	Approximately 1.4 miles upstream of the confluence with Kirkland Creek.	None	+2232	,
Silvermine Creek	At the confluence with Nantahala River	None	+1724	Unincorporated Areas of Swain County.
	Approximately 100 feet upstream of Taylor Road (State Road 1104).	None	+2151	onam county.
Straight Fork	Approximately 100 feet upstream of the confluence with Rayen Fork.	+2454	+2455	Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.
	Approximately 1.0 mile upstream of the confluence with Rayen Fork.	None	+2558	
Toot Hollow Branch	At the confluence with Tuckasegee River	+1735	+1734	Unincorporated Areas of Swain County, Town of Bryson City.
	Approximately 330 feet upstream of Monteith Road (State Road 1334).	None	+1806	, , , , ,
Tuckasegee River	At the confluence with Little Tennessee River	None	+1710	Unincorporated Areas of Swain County, Eastern Band of Cherokee Indi- ans, Town of Bryson City.
	At the upstream side of U.S. 74/U.S. 441	None	+1845	,
Wesser Creek	At the confluence with Conley Creek	None	+1984	Unincorporated Areas of Swain County.
	Approximately 200 feet upstream of Estes Drive	None	+2052	,
Wesser Creek (into Nantahala River).	At the confluence with Nantahala River	None	+1711	Unincorporated Areas of Swain County.
,	Just downstream of the confluence of Right Fork Wesser Creek.	None	+2201	

<sup>\*</sup> National Geodetic Vertical Datum.

Send comments to William R. Blanton, Jr., Chief, Engineering Management Branch, Mitigation Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472.

#### **ADDRESSES**

## Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

Maps are available for inspection at Ginger Lynn Welch Complex, 810 Acquoni Road, Cherokee, NC.

#### Town of Bryson City

Maps are available for inspection at Town of Bryson City Manager's Office, 45 Everett Street, Bryson City, NC.

## **Unincorporated Areas of Swain County**

Maps are available for inspection at Swain County Mapping Department, 101 Mitchell Street, Bryson City, NC.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 97.022, "Flood Insurance.")

Dated: March 3, 2008.

### Michael K. Buckley,

Deputy Assistant Administrator for Mitigation, Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency

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# DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURTIY

#### Federal Emergency Management Agency

44 CFR Part 67

[Docket No. FEMA-B-7756]

Proposed Flood Elevation Determinations; Correction

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule; correction.

SUMMARY: This document corrects the table to a proposed rule published in the Federal Register of January 16, 2008. This correction clarifies the table representing the flooding source(s), location of referenced elevation, the effective and modified elevation in feet and the communities affected for Pulaski County, Arkansas, and Incorporated Areas; specifically, for flooding sources "Good Earth Drain, Isom Creek, Kinley Creek, Little Maumelle River, Nowlin Creek, South

<sup>+</sup> North American Vertical Datum.

<sup>#</sup> Depth in feet above ground.

<sup>\*\*</sup>BFEs to be changed include the listed downstream and upstream BFEs, and include BFEs located on the stream reach between the referenced locations above. Please refer to the revised Flood Insurance Rate Map located at the community map repository (see below) for exact locations of all BFEs to be changed.

Loop, South Split, Taylor Loop Creek and Tributary 4 to Little Maumelle River," than was previously published.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

William R. Blanton, Jr., Engineering Management Branch, Mitigation Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646–2903.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) publishes proposed determinations of Base (1-percentannual-chance) Flood Elevations (BFEs) and modified BFEs for communities participating in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), 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 BFEs 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.

#### Correction

In proposed rule FR Doc. E8-725, beginning on page 2860 in the issue of January 16, 2008, make the following corrections, in the table published under the authority of 44 CFR 67.4. On page 2860, in § 67.4, in the table with center heading Pulaski County, Arkansas, and Incorporated Areas, the flooding source, location of referenced elevation, the effective and modified elevation in feet and the communities affected for flooding sources "Good Earth Drain, Isom Creek, Kinley Creek, Little Maumelle River, Nowlin Creek, South Loop, South Split, Taylor Loop Creek and Tributary 4 to Little Maumelle River", need to be corrected to read as follows:

\*Elevation in feet (NGVD) + Elevation in feet (NAVD) # Depth in feet Flooding source(s) Location of referenced elevation\*\* Communities affected above ground ∧ Elevation in meters (MSL) Modified Effective Pulaski County, Arkansas, and Incorporated Areas Good Earth Drain ..... Approximately 250 ft downstream of Cantrell Rd. +283 +281 City of Little Rock. Intersection. Divergence from Taylor Loop Creek ...... +287 +285 Isom Creek ..... Confluence with Taylor Loop Creek ..... +264 +265 Unincorporated Areas of Pulaski County, City of Little Rock. Approximately 100 feet upstream of Russ Street ....... +346 +345 Confluence with Nowlin Creek ..... Kinley Creek ..... +350 +292 Unincorporated Areas of Pulaski County. Approximately 50 feet downstream of Garrison Rd +413 +411 intersection. Little Maumelle River ...... Approximately 445 feet upstream of intersection with +268 +270 Unincorporated Areas of Highway 300. Pulaski County. Intersection with Brush Mountain Trail ..... +564 +561 Nowlin Creek ..... Confluence with Little Maumelle River ..... +268 +271 Unincorporated Areas of Pulaski County. Approximately 3200 feet upstream of Forestry Road +500 +497 intersection South Loop ..... Confluence with Taylor Loop Creek ..... +264 +266 Unincorporated Areas of Pulaski County. Divergence with Taylor Loop Creek ..... +306 +305 Approximately 700 feet upstream from confluence +285 Unincorporated Areas of South Split ..... +286 with South Loop. Pulaski County, City of Little Rock. Divergence from South Loop ..... +295 +290 Taylor Loop Creek ..... Confluence with Little Maumelle River ..... +264 +266 Unincorporated Areas of Pulaski County, City of Little Rock. Approximately 800 Feet upstream of Valley Estates +431 +430 Dr. intersection. Tributary 4 to Little Maumelle Confluence with Little Maumelle River ..... None +266 Unincorporated Areas of River. Pulaski County, City of Little Rock. Intersection with Cantrell Rd. ..... +301 None Approximately 3488 feet upstream from intersection None +509 with Autumn Blaze Trail.

Dated: March 3, 2008.

#### Michael K. Buckley,

Deputy Assistant Administrator for Mitigation, Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

# GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

# NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

#### 48 CFR Parts 13 and 19

[FAR Case 2006–034; Docket 2007–0001; Sequence 15]

RIN 9000-AK92

# Federal Acquisition Regulation: FAR Case 2006–034, Socioeconomic Program Parity

**AGENCIES:** Department of Defense (DoD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (Councils) are proposing to amend the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) to ensure that the FAR reflects the Small Business Administration's (SBA) interpretation of the Small Business Act and SBA regulations with regard to the relationship among various small business programs.

**DATES:** Comment date: Interested parties should submit written comments to the Regulatory Secretariat at the address shown below on or before May 9, 2008, to be considered in the formation of the final rule.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments, identified by FAR Case 2006–034, by any of the following methods:

• Regulations.gov: http://www.regulations.gov.

Submit comments via the Federal eRulemaking portal by inputting "FAR Case 2006–034" under the heading "Comment or Submission". Select the link "Send a Comment or Submission" that corresponds with FAR Case 2006–034. Follow the instructions provided to complete the "Public Comment and Submission Form". Please include your name, company name (if any), and "FAR Case 2006–034" on your attached document.

- Fax: 202-501-4067.
- Mail: General Services

Administration, Regulatory Secretariat (VPR), 1800 F Street, NW., Room 4035, ATTN: Diedra Wingate, Washington, DC 20405.

Instructions: Please submit comments only and cite FAR case 2006–034 in all correspondence related to this case. All comments received will be posted without change to http://www.regulations.gov, including any personal and/or business confidential information provided.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Rhonda Cundiff, Procurement Analyst, at (202) 501–0044 for clarification of content. The FAR Secretariat at (202) 501–4755 for information pertaining to status or publication schedules. Please cite FAR case 2006–034.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### A. Background

The purpose of this rule is to ensure that the FAR clearly reflects SBA's interpretation of the Small Business Act and SBA's interpretation of its regulations with regard to the order of precedence that applies when deciding whether to satisfy a requirement through an award to a small business, a HUBZone small business concern, a service-disabled veteran-owned small business (SDVOSB) concern or a small business participating in the 8(a) Business Development Program (8(a) Program).

This FAR rule is intended to make the following clear:

- (1) There is no order of precedence among the 8(a), HUBZone, or SDVOSB Programs. However, if a requirement has been accepted by SBA under the 8(a) Program, it must remain in the 8(a) Program unless SBA agrees to its release in accordance with 13 CFR 124, 125 and 126.
- (2) For acquisitions exceeding \$100,000, the contracting officer must consider making award under the 8(a), HUBZone or SDVOSB Programs (either set-aside or sole source) before the contracting officer proceeds with a small business set-aside. See 19.203(b) and 19.502–2(b).

After having considered making award under the 8(a), HUBZone or SDVOSB Programs, the contracting officer may set aside an acquisition for small business, with one exception. By statute (15 U.S.C. 657a(b)(2)(B)), the contracting officer cannot set the acquisition aside for small business if the criteria for setting it aside for HUBZone small business are met.

(3) FAR 19.502–2(a) sets forth the requirement to exclusively reserve

acquisitions for small business between \$3,000 and \$100,000 unless the contracting officer determines there is not a reasonable expectation of obtaining offers from two or more small businesses that are competitive in terms of market prices, quality, and delivery. This proposed rule clarifies that these small business set-asides do not preclude award of a contract to a qualified HUBZone small business concern pursuant to the HUBZone Program, an 8(a) Program participant pursuant to the 8(a) Program, or to a SDVOSB concern pursuant to the SDVOSB Program because the SBA's regulations give the contracting officer discretionary authority to use the HUBZone, 8(a), or SDVOSB Programs at these dollar levels. In addition, the rule shows that, unlike procurements that are expected to exceed \$100,000, it is not mandatory that the contracting officer set aside an acquisition for HUBZone small business concerns before setting aside the requirement for small businesses.

(4) SBA believes that progress in fulfilling the various small business goals, as well as other factors such as the results of market research and the acquisition history, should be considered in making a decision as to which program to use for the acquisition.

This is not a significant regulatory action and, therefore, was not subject to review under Section 6(b) of Executive Order 12866, Regulatory Planning and Review, dated September 30, 1993. The rule is not a major rule under 5 U.S.C. 804.

## **B. Regulatory Flexibility Act**

This change may have a significant economic impact on a significant number of small entities within the meaning of the Regulatory Flexibility Act 5 U.S.C. 601, et seq., because it will clarify the relationship among various small business programs with regard to whether one has priority over another for acquisition purposes. It has been unclear to the acquisition community if there is an order of precedence that applies when deciding whether to satisfy a requirement through an award to small business, HUBZone small business, service disabled veteranowned small business or a small business participating in the 8(a) Business Development Program. This proposed rule will have both a negative and positive impact on the 8(a) Business Development Program, the HUBZone Program, the Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Program and the Small Business Program.