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SUBJECT: Procedure Memorandum No. 6
As-Built and Topographic Data Certification

Background: When submitting a map revision request based on physical changes for which a conditional Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) was previously issued, the revision requester is required to submit certified as-built plans or certification that the project was built as proposed as part of the supporting data. Subparagraph 65.2(b) states that "certification of as-built conditions is a statement that the structure(s) has been built according to the plans being certified, is in place, and is fully functional."

Issue: At least one instance has occurred where a LOMR follow up to a previously issued conditional LOMR was processed and no as-built plans were submitted or available. All that could be provided was a vaguely worded letter from the community certifying the project. Subsequently, under an appeal to the follow up LOMR, concerns were raised by the appellant regarding the as-built plans and certification used to prepare the LOMR. The basis of the appeal was that the project was not built as proposed and the LOMR did not reflect existing conditions.

Final Procedure: All map revisions based on completed projects must be accompanied by as-built plans certified by a registered professional engineer or licensed land surveyor. In lieu of as-built plans, a registered professional engineer or licensed land surveyor may submit a written statement specifically stating that the project was built as proposed. If it is unclear that the certification also applies to the topographic data, follow up written confirmation/certification is necessary. Any cases deviating from the above must be brought up to the FEMA project engineer for approval.

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