## KETCHIKAN GATEWAY BOROUGH, AK FLOOD RISK REVIEW MEETING



### AUGUST 4, 2016



### AGENDA

- **Flood Risk Review**
- Background
- Flood Study Methodologies
- Risk Assessment Work
- RiskMAP Process
- Flood Study Process
- FEMA and State Contacts
- Review of Data/Changes from Existing Maps



# RISKMAP, THE NFIP AND HAZARD MITIGATION PLANNING



# REGULATORY & NON-REGULATORY RISKMAP PRODUCTS

### **Regulatory Products**

Flood Insurance Study (FIS)



Flood Insurance Rate Maps

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### **Non-Regulatory Products**

Changes Since Last FIRM



Flood Depth Grids



HAZUS Risk Assessment

Risk Report

**Risk Database** 





# How THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM (NFIP) WORKS

- Three disciplines of the NFIP:
- Mapping –
  Flood Studies
- Regulations
- Insurance



## **PROJECT TEAM**

- FEMA Region X
- State of Alaska
- FEMA Contractor -STARR
- Ketchikan Gateway Borough Alaska
- City of Ketchikan
- City of Saxman







# WHAT'S NEW Vertical Datum Change

# • MLLW

 Mean Lower Low Water - The average of the lower low water height of each tidal day observed over the National Tidal Datum Epoch

# • NAVD 88

- Based on the density of the Earth instead of varying values of sea heights
- More accurate

# Conversion for Ketchikan, AK

- MLLW -3.7' = NAVD 88

### **DIGITAL FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAPS** Vertical Datum and FIRMs (e.g. uses -3.7' conversion)



# DRAFT MAP LABELING COASTAL



## DRAFT MAP LABELING RIVERINE



# **Floodway Schematic**



### FLOODWAY + FLOODWAY FRINGE = 100 YEAR FLOODPLAIN SURCHARGE NOT TO EXCEED 1.0 FEET

Ketchikan Discovery Meeting – August 7, 2013

Partnership Agreement – August 12, 2014

Draft Maps Provided – March 7, 2016

Flood Risk Review – August 4, 2016

# **SCOPE OF WORK**

- Lidar
- Field Survey
- Coastal

60 miles of coastal analysis (12 transects)

Riverine

**Updated Detailed Studies (Hydrology and Hydraulics)** 

0.8 miles of Hoadley Creek

**1.3 miles of Ketchikan Creek** 

**1.1 miles of Schoenbar Creek** 

**Redelineation of Detailed Study** 

0.1 miles of Carlanna Creek

### Risk MAP Products

Depth grids, Analysis Grids, Multi-hazard Risk Assessment, CSLF, BFE+1,2,3 Risk Report, Risk Database

# SCOPE OF WORK





# FIELD SURVEY COLLECTION

- Collected by Atkins in August 2014
- Structures and cross sections were surveyed on the AE study reaches of the Hoadley Creek, Ketchikan Creek, and Schoenbar Creek
- Deliverables included field survey points, sketches, and photographs





# **RIVERINE STUDIES - HYDROLOGY**



- Rainfall-Runoff model -Ketchikan Lake Dam based on 2009 WESCORP study
- Regression calculations based on 4 inputs
- Discharges computed for 0.2%, 1%, 2%, 4%, 10%, and 1% plus annual chance events



### **COMPARISON TO EFFECTIVE DISCHARGE**

# **Hoadley Creek at Mouth**

Event	Proposed Discharge (cfs)	Effective Discharge (cfs)	% Change
10%	580	390	+49%
2%	760	515	+48%
1%	820	570	+44%
0.2%	990	690	+43%

### **COMPARISON TO EFFECTIVE DISCHARGE**

# **Ketchikan Creek at Mouth**

Event	Proposed Discharge (cfs)	Effective Discharge (cfs)	% Change
10%	4,460	4,200	+6%
2%	5,800	5,950	-3%
1%	6,380	6,800	-6%
0.2%	7,810	8,200	-4%

### **COMPARISON TO EFFECTIVE DISCHARGE**

# **Schoenbar Creek at Mouth**

Event	Proposed Discharge (cfs)	Effective Discharge (cfs)	% Change
10%	850	620	+37%
2%	1,100	795	+38%
1%	1,200	880	+36%
0.2%	1,430	1,130	+27%

# **RIVERINE HYDRAULICS**





# **CHANGES IN RIVERINE BFE'S**





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# **Ketchikan Creek** BFE Changes: -4.3' to +3.3'



# **CHANGES IN RIVERINE BFE'S**

# Schoenbar Creek BFE Changes: 0' to +4.3'

# **COASTAL MODELING**



### COASTAL ANALYSIS MODELING COMPARISON

Guidelines for Coastal Flood Hazard Mapping and Analysis for Pacific Coast of the United States January 2005



	Old Approach	New Approach
Methodology	USACE Shore Protection Manual	FEMA Pacific Coast Guidelines
Wind data	Synthetic wind data	Measured wind data
Water Level Model	Water Level Gauge Data	Updated Historic Tide Gauge Data
Wave Model	1-Dimensional	2-Dimensional
Study Resolution	Calculations generalized over broad regions	Calculations using enhanced grid resolution
Topography	USGS Contour Maps	2014 LiDAR data

# **COASTAL FLOODING OVERVIEW**



### **MODELING PROCESS**



# STEP 1: WAVE MODELING



- SWAN (3<sup>rd</sup> Generation Wave Model)
- Wave Height, and Period, and Direction for 106 Storm Events (1973-2015, 43 Years)

### **COMPUTATIONAL MESH**



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# WAVE MODELING - INPUT DATA



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- Water Level (NOAA Tide Gauge)
- Wind (NCDC)
- Offshore Wave (Buoy)

# Wave Modeling - Offshore Wave



## WAVE MODELING - OFFSHORE WAVE



## WAVE MODELING - OFFSHORE WAVE

- 1 Wind Only 2 - Wind + Boundary Wave
- 2 minus 1 = offshore wave influence



## WAVE MODELING - OFFSHORE WAVE


# WAVE MODELING - INPUT DATA



- Water Level (NOAA Tide Gauge)
- Wind (NCDC)
- Bathymetry (NGDC)

# Wave Modeling - Sample Event



# WAVE MODELING - SAMPLE RESULT



# Wave Modeling - Sample Event



# WAVE MODELING - SAMPLE RESULT



# WAVE MODELING - OUTPUTS

 Wave information selected at the breaker line (Outside the surfzone)













### **36 TRANSECTS INITIALLY, 12 TRANSECTS PRESENTED**



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# 100 YEAR TWL



- 43-year record of flood elevations at each transect
- Fit probability distributions to the data at each transect
- Read 0.2%, 1%, 2%, etc. annual chance flood elevations at each transect from distributions

# 100 YEAR TWL

#### Mild Slope Shore - Low BFE

#### Steep Slope Shore - high BFE



# STEP 3: GENERAL MAPPING

ZONE	BFE		
AE if TWL < SWL + 3'	TWL Rounded to Nearest Foot		
VE if TWL ≥ SWL + 3'			

Delineation	Zone Breaks
Follow Contour of TWL	Break along the Coast Where Shoreline Characteristics

# STEP 3: GENERAL MAPPING – DELINEATION AND ZONE BREAKS



# STEP 3: IDENTIFYING SPECIAL MAPPING AREAS - PLATEAUS

### RUNUP REDUCTION OF PLATEAU



# STEP 3: IDENTIFYING SPECIAL MAPPING AREAS - PLATEAUS





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# FAQ – VARIATION IN BFE'S ALONG THE COAST



## FAQ – DATUMS



# **NON-REGULATORY PRODUCTS**

- Changes Since Last FIRM
- Depth Grids
- BFE+ Grid
- Multi-hazard Risk Assessment
  - Hazus Risk Assessment
  - Vulnerability Assessment
- Risk Report
- Risk Database

## **USE OF RISK MAP PRODUCTS**

- Supplement regulatory products (FIRM/FIS)
- Provide data to inform Hazard Mitigation Plans
- Can guide land use and development plans
- Can inform incident response plans

# Changes Since Last FIRM

Unchanged

SFHA Increase

SFHA Increase

SFHA Decrease

SFHA Increase

Ketchikan Cr. SFHA

Increase

Unchanged

# **FLOOD DEPTH GRIDS**



- Riverine: 10%, 4%,
  2%, 1%, 1%+& 0.2%
  Annual Chance
  Floods (Hoadley
  Creek, Shoenbar
  Creek, and
  Schoenbar Creek)
- Coastal: 1% Flood

## FLOOD DEPTH GRIDS

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• BFE+ Grid +1', +2', +3' feet to be used in planning for sea level rise impacts



# HAZUS-MH RISK ASSESSMENTS



- Multiple Scenario flood and earthquake events
- Estimated Potential Losses
- Population, Debris, and Essential Facility Impacts

# MULTI-HAZARD ASSESSMENTS



INSTRUMENTAL	1	11-111	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	LX.	X+
PEAK VEL.(cm/s)	<0.1	0.1-1.1	1.1-3.4	3.4-8.1	8.1-16	16-31	31-60	60-116	>116
PEAK ACC (%g)	<.17	.17-1.4	1.4-3.9	3.9-9.2	9.2-18	18-34	34-65	65-124	>124
POTENTIAL DA MAGE	none	none	none	Very ight	Light	Moderate	Moderate/Heavy	Heavy	Very Heavy
PERCEIVED SHAKING	Notfelt	Weak	Light	Moderate	Strong	Very strong	Severe	Violent	Extreme



# OUTPUT

Address	<b>Building Value</b>	Occupancy Type	<b>Building Loss</b>	Loss Ratio
2802 RIVER RD E	\$7,100	Mobile Home	\$5,500	78%
2623 31ST AV E	\$174,800	Mobile Home	\$132,000	75%
3707 GAY RD E	\$15,000	Mobile Home	\$10,000	68%
3107 36TH AVCT E	\$10,300	Mobile Home	\$6,800	66%
2411 28TH AV E	\$52 <i>,</i> 400	Mobile Home	\$34,000	65%
4109 GAY DR E	\$6,600	Mobile Home	\$4,200	64%
3705 GAY RD E	\$23,100	Mobile Home	\$13,900	61%
2518 29TH AV E	\$18,200	Mobile Home	\$10,400	58%
XXX 28TH STCT E	\$1,430,6000	Mobile Home	\$819,300	57%
4034 RIVER RD	\$363,200	Mobile Home	\$198,400	55%
3103 36TH AVCT E	\$3,500	Mobile Home	\$1,800	52%

# **OUTREACH INSERTS**



### Severe Storms

#### LOCAL HISTORY

All areas of Spokane County are vulnerable to sever annually. Affects can range from minor disruptions in major structural damage and business closures. The best before, during, and after severe stroms occur. As a reside recognize the risks associated with your area and to star around your own home and local community. This har simple steps you can take today as well as offer multipl overall risk from severe winter weather and storms.



#### UNDERSTANDING YOUR RISK

In recent years, Spokane County has experienced severe occur frequently with sustained gusts of up to 50 mph. Fu heavy rain and wind. Drifting often results from blizzard of snow in compact areas. Ice and hail storms can dam both private and public infrastructure throughout the are



#### REDUCING YOUR RISK

#### BEFORE

- · Design and landscape your home with wildfire safety in mind. Select materials and plants that help contain fire rather than fuel it.
- Plant fire resistant shrubs and trees; Hardwood trees are *less* flammable than evergreen, pine, eucalyptus or fir trees.
- Regularly clean gutters and roof. Have your chimney cleaned and inspected at least twice a year, local fire contact your department for exact specifications regarding spark arrester installations.
- Use 1/8-inch mesh screens beneath porches, decks, floor areas and the home itself. Screen opening to floors, roof, and attic so that burning embers cannot accumulate.

#### DURING

- If advised to evacuate your home, do so immediately. Be sure to take your disaster supply kit, lock your home, and choose a route that travels away from the fire hazard.
- If you haven't received evacuation orders, FEMA recommend following precautions:
  - Gather fire tools such as rake, axe, handsaw/chainsaw, and s
  - doors. Remove flammable drapes and curtains.
  - > Shut off any natural gas or fuel supplies at the source.
  - fireplace, but close the fireplace screen.



## Floods





non natural disaster in Spokane County, some even resulting in local and federal ons in recent years. Several bodies of water in the County flood every two to five the Spokane and Little Spokane Rivers, and Latah Creek, causing concern for both inside and out of the floodplain. Floods have the potential to contaminate upplies, foul septic systems, inundate electrical and heating systems, and even er to rise and seep into basements or low-lying structures. If floodwaters enough level, they may restrict access to certain roads or neighborhoods, gency responders from reaching residents in times of crisis. The following help you identify a variety of simple steps you can take today as well as offer m approaches to reducing the overall risk from flooding.



#### Preparing your Home for Wildfire

> Close outside attic, eaves and basement vents, windows In order to make your home as defensible as possible against wildfire risk, there are a host of measures that can be taken. This list is not exhaustive, but does provide a number of safety measures to better protect your property during fire season. It is recommended that you create a > Close all doors inside the house to prevent draft. Open the 30 to 100 foot safety zone around your home. Within this area, you can take steps to reduce potential exposure to flames and radiant heat. Homes built within pine forests should have a minimum safety zone of 100 feet. If your home sits on a steep slope, additional safety precautions should be taken. Contact your local fire department or forestry service for additional information.

- ✓ Rake leaves, dead limbs and twigs. Clear all flammable vegetation.
- ✓ Remove leaves and rubbish from under structures.
- ✓ Thin a 15-foot space between tree crowns, and remove limbs within 15 feet of the ground.
- ✓ Remove dead branches that extend over the roof.
- ✓ Prune tree branches and shrubs within 15 feet of a stovepipe or chimney outlet.
- Ask the power company to clear branches from powerlines.
- ✓ Remove vines from the walls of the home.

## DELIVERABLES



### **Risk Report**

This Risk Report covers the Upper Spokane Watershed study area and is specific to Spokane County and its participating communities: the Cities of Spokane and Spokane Valley; the Town of Millwood; and Spokane County.

09/10/2012







Ad-Hoc Flood Risk Analyses

## PROPOSED PROJECT SCHEDULE Timeline of events

•	Flood Risk Review Meeting for Community StaffAugust 4, 2016
•	Preliminary maps issued~December 2016
•	CCO Meeting/Open House Meeting
•	Appeal Period and Draft Multi-Hazard Risk Report~March 2017
•	End of Appeal Period~June 2017
•	FEMA issues "Letter of Final Determination (LFD)"
•	Risk MAP Resilience Workshop and Delivery of Final Flood Risk Report and Risk Assessment Database

•	Effective date	March 2018?
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## **APPEALS & COMMENTS**

- Submit to your community officials
- Community bundles all the comments and forwards them to Region 10 Support Center

FEMA Region X Service Center 20700 44<sup>th</sup> Ave. W., Suite 110 Lynnwood, WA 98036

Forms are available here at the open house

## LETTERS OF MAP CHANGE (LOMC) (WAYS TO APPEAL AT ANY TIME)

- Letter Of Map Amendment (LOMA) for property owners who believe a property was incorrectly included in a floodplain, primarily through showing that the lowest elevation of the structure is above the 1% flood elevation.
- Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) for communities to submit better technical information to change a floodplain or to reflect physical changes made to the floodplain.

# (LOMA) Hotline - 1-877-FEMA-MAP

# FEMA COASTAL OUTREACH WEBSITE

#### WWW.FEMA.GOV/COASTAL-FLOOD-RISKS



# **INFORMATION TABLES**


- Determining if one is in a Flood Zone
- If yes, what type of flood zone is one in (AE, A, AO, AH, V, VE, Shaded X, unshaded X)
- Ability to add layers to help better locate a property (orthophotos, parcel data)
- Print a map of your property and the flood zone
- Where one should go next for more information (Insurance, Floodplain Regulations)

- When is flood insurance required?
- What is the flood insurance rate structure for the zone one is in (AE, A, AO, AH, V, VE, Shaded X, unshaded X)?
- What are my best options to get the lowest rate?

## **FLOODPLAIN REGULATIONS TABLE**

- What are the building requirements/restrictions for the zone one is in (AE, A, AO, AH, V, VE, Shaded X, unshaded X)
- What are the building requirements/restrictions for a floodway?



- City Floodplain Regulations
- Emergency Management Capabilities
- Locally Available Hazard Mitigation Plans



- State Flood Mapping Priorities
- Risk Reducing Strategies
- State Floodplain Regulations

## FLOOD STUDY/ENGINEERING TABLE

- How does one determine the 1% flood?
- What areas were updated?
- What information was used (topography, bathymetry, models, assumptions)?
- What is the process to appeal the information and/or provide better information?

## **QUESTIONS & COMMENTS**

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