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### OTHER ABBREVIATIONS USED IN REPORT

- **CAC**: Community Assistance Contact
- **CAV**: Community Assistance Visit
- **DFIRM**: Digital Flood Insurance Rate Map
- **FEMA**: Federal Emergency Management Agency
- **FIS**: Flood Insurance Study
- **MEGIS**: Maine Office of Geographic Information Systems
- **NFIP**: National Flood Insurance Program
- **USGS**: United States Geological Survey
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Section 1. Introduction

This report was prepared by the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) Maine Water Science Center as the deliverable for scoping of flood hazard mapping needs for Kennebec County, Maine, under Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Inter-Agency Agreement Number HSFE01-05-X-0018. This section of the report explains the objective of the task and the purpose of the report.

Background

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) developed a plan in 1997 to modernize the FEMA flood mapping program. FEMA flood maps delineate flood hazard areas in support of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). FEMA’s plan outlined the steps necessary to update FEMA’s flood maps for the nation to a seamless digital format and streamline FEMA’s operations in raising public awareness of the importance of the maps and responding to requests to revise them. The modernization of flood maps involves conversion of existing information to digital format and integration of improved flood hazard data as needed. To determine flood mapping modernization needs, FEMA has established specific scoping activities to be done on a county-by-county basis for identifying and prioritizing requisite flood-mapping activities for map modernization. The U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), in cooperation with FEMA and the Maine State Planning Office Floodplain Management Program, began scoping work in 2005 for Kennebec County. Scoping activities included assembling existing data and map needs information for communities in Kennebec County (efforts were made to not duplicate those of pre-scoping completed in March 2005), documentation of data, contacts, community meetings, and prioritized mapping needs in a final scoping report (this document), and updating the Mapping Needs Update Support System (MNUSS) Database or its successor with information gathered during the scoping process.

The average age of the FEMA floodplain maps in Kennebec County, Maine is 16 years. Most of these studies were in the late 1970’s to the mid 1980s. However, in the ensuing 20-30 years, development has occurred in many of the watersheds, and the characteristics of the watersheds have changed with time. Therefore, many of the older studies may not depict current conditions nor accurately estimate risk in terms of flood heights.
Scope of Work

The following is the scope of work as defined in the FEMA/USGS Statement of Work:

Task 1: Collect data from a variety of sources including community surveys, other Federal and State Agencies, National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) State Coordinators, Community Assistance Visits (CAVs) and FEMA archives. Lists of mapping needs will be obtained from the MNUSS database, community surveys, and CAVs, if available. FEMA archives will be inventoried for effective FIRM panels, FIS reports, and other flood-hazard data or existing study data. Best available base map information, topographic data, flood-hazard data, and hydrologic and hydraulic data will be identified. Data from the Maine Floodplain Management Program database also will be utilized.

Task 2: Contact communities in Kennebec County to notify them that FEMA and the State have selected them for a map update, and that a project scope will be developed with their input. Topics to be reviewed with the communities include (1) Purpose of the Flood Map Project (for example, the update needs that have prompted the map update); (2) The community’s mapping needs; (3) The community’s available mapping, hydrologic, hydraulic, and flooding information; (4) target schedule for completing the project; and (5) The community’s engineering, planning, and geographic information system (GIS) capabilities.

On the basis of the collected information from Task 1 and community contacts/meetings in Task 2, the USGS will develop a Draft Project Scope for the identified mapping needs of the communities in Kennebec County. The following items will be addressed in the Draft Project Scope: review of available information, determine if and how effective FIS data can be used in new project, and identify other data needed to complete the Project and its source. The Draft Project Scope will establish priority levels for flooding sources to be analyzed and mapped, and estimate schedules and associated costs for completion of the components of flood mapping.

The following subject areas are documented in this report as set forth in the statement of work: available flood-mapping-related data and documented mapping needs, community meetings and contacts, scope and prioritization of mapping needs, and project methods. Scoping-level time and costs for identified mapping needs will be provided as a document separate from this report. The appendix section of this report provides a community by community summary of information obtained and used in the scoping process for all 30 communities in Kennebec County that have Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) and (or) Flood Insurance Studies (FISs) (table 1).
Table 1. Organized communities and unorganized territories in Kennebec County, Maine.
[CID, Community identification number; NSFA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area; FIRM, Flood Insurance Rate Map; *, Community has a published Flood Insurance Study; @, Community has a flood insurance rate map largely mapped with unnumbered A-zones but with a water body that has a base flood elevation]

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Description of Kennebec County

Kennebec County in south-central Maine (fig. 1) encompasses an area of 940 square miles (mi$^2$) and comprises 29 municipalities (towns and (or) cities) and 1 township (table 1, fig. 1). The total population in Kennebec County reported by the 2000 census was approximately 117,000 people. The population for the 2000 census represents a 1-percent increase over the population reported in the 1990 census (115,900 people) and a 6.5-percent increase over the population reported in the 1980 census (109,900 people) (University of Maine, 2004; U.S. Census Bureau, 2002).

There are approximately 223 ponds and lakes in Kennebec County ranging in surface area from 0.11 acres (Unnamed Pond, in Albion) to 8,530 acres (13.3 mi$^2$) (Great Pond, in the communities of Belgrade and Rome) for a total surface area of 54,770 acres (85.6 mi$^2$) (Maine Office of Geographic Information Systems written commun., November 2005). The median pond size is 15.4 acres. There are approximately 1,020 mi of rivers and streams in Kennebec County (fig 2). The largest river in the county, Kennebec River, flows from north to south through the (approximate) middle of the county and through the state capital, Augusta where it has a drainage area of 5,500 mi$^2$ (fig. 2). The Kennebec River composes the corporate boundaries of Waterville, Winslow, Sidney, Vassalboro, Hallowell, Farmingdale, Chelsea, Randolph, Gardiner, and Pittston. Cobbosseecontee Stream, a tributary to the Kennebec River, drains a chain of lakes in Kennebec County including Cobbosseecontee, Annabessacook, and Maranacook Lakes. Messalonskee Stream, a tributary to the Kennebec River, drains a chain of lakes in Kennebec County including Messalonskee Lake, Great Pond, and Long Pond.
Figure 1. Communities in Kennebec County, Maine.
Figure 2. Hydrology of Kennebec County, Maine.
Section 2. Available Flood-Mapping Data and Mapping Needs

Flood-mapping data and mapping needs available prior to community scoping meetings were identified in prescoping efforts as part of National Services Provider (NSP) Task Order Number 4 (Burm, 2005). For the scoping activities documented in this report, the USGS reviewed the prescoping report to ensure the data contained in this report is utilized to the maximum extent possible and to avoid duplication of effort.

Community FISs and FIRMs

There are 23 communities that have FIRMs with active FIS reports in Kennebec county (table 1). Two communities (Towns of Vienna and Mount Vernon) have FIRMS largely mapped with unnumbered A-zones, each with a water body that has a BFE (AE Zone). Four communities (Towns of Albion, Fayette, Vassalboro, Windsor) have FIRMs or Flood-Hazard Boundary Maps with only unnumbered A-zones. One community (Unity Township) is designated as having no specific flood hazard areas (NSFHA) (table 1; Burm, 2005). There are 78 riverine flood profiles for Kennebec County. Communities with FIS reports and communities with unmapped NSFHAs are itemized and flood profiles are summarized by community in the March 2005 Prescoping Report for Kennebec County (Burm, 2005).

The effective map dates range from November 29, 1974, in the town of Fayette to September 7, 2001, in the town of Mount Vernon. Twenty-seven percent of the FIRMs in Kennebec County are 20 years old or older; 73 percent are 10 years or older. The oldest FIRM is 31 years old, the most recent is 4.5 years old, and the average age is approximately 16 years. It is important to note that the effective map date is the date the map was last revised. Some revisions were minor adjustments and did not affect entire map panels. As a result, much of the information depicted on the county’s floodplain maps is likely to be older than 16 years.

State of Maine Best Available Data (BAD) for Unnumbered A-Zones

The Maine Floodplain Management Program has developed, over several years, a data set that tabulates information about the best available data (base flood elevations) for water bodies designated as unnumbered "A" zones on flood maps for communities throughout the State. The base flood elevations tabulated in this data set are derived from hydrologic and (or) hydraulic studies of water bodies that may be published in FISs for adjacent communities or published as part of flood studies not directly related to FEMA FISs (e.g. Army Corps of Engineer projects, Natural Resources Conservation Service projects, and Letter of Map Changes). These data are used in this report as part of the prioritization of mapping needs for a community (see section: Scope and Prioritization of Mapping Needs in Kennebec County). The existence of these data was documented in the March 2005 Prescoping Report for Kennebec County (Burm, 2005) and are documented in the appendix of this report on a community-by-community basis. Information about these data is available from the Maine Floodplain Management Program web site at: http://www.state.me.us/spo/flood/bad/

Letters of Map Change (LOMCs)

A Letter of Map Change (LOMC) is a letter issued by FEMA in response to a request to revise or amend an effective National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) map to remove a property or reflect changed flooding conditions on the effective map. LOMCs may include Letters of Amendments (LOMAs), Letters of Map Revisions (LOMRs), and Letter of Map Revision based on Fill (LOMR-F) as defined below:
LOMAs: A LOMA is an official amendment, by letter, to an effective NFIP map. A LOMA establishes the property location in relation to the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA). There is no appeal period for LOMAs, and the letter becomes effective the date that it is sent.

LOMRs: A LOMR is an official revision, by letter, to an effective NFIP map. A LOMR may change flood-insurance risk zones, floodplain and (or) floodway boundary delineations, planimetric features, and (or) Base Flood Elevations (BFEs). The effective date of a LOMR depends on the type of change requested. For example, some LOMR’s are effective on the date that the letter is issued and others become effective following an appeal period (typically 30 to 90 days or 6 months).

LOMR-F: A Letter of Map Revision based on Fill (LOMR-F) may be filed as a special case of the LOMR. A LOMR-F provides FEMA’s determination concerning whether a structure or parcel has been elevated on fill above the BFE and excluded from the SFHA. A LOMR-F is an official revision, by letter, to an effective NFIP map. The letter becomes effective on the date that it is sent.

In addition to the categories above, conditional LOMAs, LOMRs, and LOMR-Fs may be issued by FEMA to comment on a proposed project. The letter does not revise an effective NFIP map, but indicates whether the project, if built as proposed, would be recognized by FEMA.

LOMCs in Kennebec County

The presence and number of LOMCs in a community can be an indication of increasing development in a community and (or) problematic flood hazard boundaries. LOMCs are used in this report as part of the prioritization of mapping needs for a community (see section: Scope and Prioritization of Mapping Needs in Kennebec County). The March 2005 Prescoping Report for Kennebec County (Burm, 2005) tabulates LOMC data for the county. A Geographic Information System (GIS) digital data set representing georeferenced locations of LOMCs within Kennebec County was created as part of the pre-scoping effort.

Community Flood Ordinances

The Maine Floodplain Management Program provides all participating communities (92 percent of the State’s communities) with model floodplain management ordinances, guidance and review, and maintains all community flood ordinances on file. As documented in the March 2005 Prescoping Report for Kennebec County (Burm, 2005), the contact for community flood ordinances is the Maine Floodplain Management Program:

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Planning and Research Associate
Maine Floodplain Management Program
State Planning Office
184 State Street, 38 SHS
Augusta, ME 04333
Tel: 207-287-8932
Fax: 207-287-6489
Mapping Needs Update Support System (MNUSS)

In accordance with section 575 of the National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994, FEMA assesses “...the need to revise and update all floodplain areas and flood risk zones identified, delineated, or established based on an analysis of all natural hazards affecting flood risks.” FEMA initiated the Mapping Needs Assessment (MNA) process, which identifies and prioritizes flood hazard mapping needs for communities nationwide. As part of this effort, FEMA developed the Mapping Needs Update Support System (MNUSS), which is an interactive, web-based software application that maintains an inventory of needs for future map updates. In particular, MNUSS stores information on the following two types of update needs:

- Map Maintenance Needs: Includes changes to base map information, such as the addition of new roads, changes to corporate limits, and incorporation of LOMCs.
- Flood Data Update Needs: Includes changes to flood hazard areas as a result of changes in hydrologic and hydraulic conditions, changes to Base Flood Elevations (BFEs), and (or) changes in the floodplain delineation.

Mapping needs may be viewed and entered into MNUSS by a variety of parties, including FEMA Headquarters and Regional offices, state NFIP coordinators, study contractors, Cooperating Technical Partners (CTPs), and other Federal agencies, such as the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and the USGS. All new or edit needs are reviewed and approved by the FEMA MNUSS controller prior to entry into the system.

The March 2005 Prescoping Report for Kennebec County (Burm, 2005) tabulates MNUSS entries for the county. As part of the scoping process, existing entries in MNUSS were retrieved by USGS and reviewed with the State Planning Office Floodplain Management Program and community representatives. The review process resulted in the identification of duplicate, outdated, missing, and (or) erroneous entries. These findings will provide the basis for updates to MNUSS or its successor upon completion of the scoping report. Existing MNUSS entries are compiled in appendix D.

Community Assistance Visits (CAVs) and Community Assessment Contacts (CACs)

CAVs and CACs provide assistance to communities regarding the administration and enforcement of their floodplain management ordinances. CAV and CAC data for the county are tabulated in the March 2005 Prescoping Report for Kennebec County (Burm, 2005) and are listed in the appendix of this report (Appendix A).

GIS Data

Most GIS data in Maine reside with the Maine Office of GIS (MEGIS) as the agency acts as a central repository for these data. Although not every community shares their GIS data with MEGIS, many data sets are shared and served over the Internet. Data can be accessed on the MEGIS web site at: http://apollo.ogis.state.me.us/. Community-specific data that is not shared with MEGIS are documented as part of the community scoping-meeting process (see interview data in Appendix). All data served by MEGIS are referenced to North American Datum 1983 (NAD83), Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM) Zone 19, in meters, and are available to FEMA.
Base Map Data

Base map layers maintained by MEGIS include features such as roads, streams, and political boundaries. Base map data layers have been acquired from a variety of sources including the USGS data and represent many of the feature types found on USGS topographic maps. More recently developed data were derived from various sources providing improved base map accuracy. Existing coverages maintained by MEGIS can be linked to or viewed at the following URL:
http://apollo.ogis.state.me.us/

The most detailed orthophotography (0.5-foot resolution) is in the southwestern quadrant of the town of Monmouth (fig. 3); the 0.5-foot (each image pixel representing a planimetric square 0.5 foot on a side) imagery data set is accurate for 1"=100’ mapping applications and is a true-color mosaic of high-resolution digital orthophotographs. Flown in April 2001, from Portland to Auburn ME the ortho-rectified digital imagery covers nearly all of Cumberland County and part of Androscoggin County. Central Kennebec County is covered by 1-foot high resolution digital orthophotographs produced from aerial photos collected over southwest Maine in spring 2003 (fig. 3). The remainder of the county is covered by 2-foot resolution digital orthophotographs produced from aerial photos collected over southwest Maine in spring 2003 (fig. 3).

Community-specific aerial photography is documented as part of the community scoping-meeting process (see Appendix). The town of Chelsea indicated that they have black and white aerial photography shot May 13, 1972 at a scale of 1 in. equals 400 ft. The town of Oakland indicated that they shoot black and white aerial photography of the entire town on an annual basis, scale unspecified. The town of Readfield indicated they have aerial photography from 1998 following the ice storm in January of that year, as well as photography shot in 2003 for GIS use – scale and color formats were unspecified. The town of Winslow indicated they have aerial photography shot in 1993, scale and color format unspecified.
Figure 3. Orthophotography indices for Kennebec County, Maine. Indices indicate coverage of 0.5-foot (each image pixel representing a planimetric square 0.5 foot on a side), 1-foot, and 2-foot orthophotography archived and served through the internet by the Maine Office of Geographic Information Systems (MEGIS).
Topographic Data

Digitally scanned USGS 7.5-minute quadrangles provide topographic data for the entire state of Maine with 10- and 20-ft contour intervals, variable by location. Digital Elevation Models (DEM) also are available through the USGS National Elevation Dataset (NED). The NED has been developed by merging the highest-resolution, best quality elevation data available across the United States into a seamless raster format. NED horizontal datum for Maine is NAD83 and vertical datum is North American Vertical Datum 1988 (NAVD88). The NED is continually updated as best available DEM data become available. DEM data with 30 meter (m) resolution (each raster pixel represents a planimetric square 30 meters on a side) are available for the entire state of Maine. DEM data with 10-m resolution (1/3 arc second) are available for the entire state of Maine except for extreme northern Somerset and Oxford Counties. DEM data can be downloaded through the USGS Seamless Data Distribution Web site at http://seamless.usgs.gov/web site/seamless/viewer.ph.

The Maine Department of Transportation (MDOT) routinely collects detailed topographic data for highway projects. The data are typically limited to an area within 300 ft of the centerline of the highway. The scope, scale, and accuracy of the data are project specific and depend on the flight level of the survey. MDOT does not maintain any kind of searchable database cataloging these data. The MDOT Survey and Photogrammetric Group is willing to search their files for available data if they are provided a GIS shapefile of an area of interest. As of this draft, MDOT has been provided GIS shapefiles of scoped study areas for Kennebec County. Availability of data is pending. The primary contact for topographic data from the MDOT Survey and Photogrammetric Group is Tim Liseige, Photogrammetric and Control Engineer, (207) 624-3493, tim.liseige@maine.gov.

Community-specific topographic data are documented as part of the community scoping-meeting process (see Appendix). None of the interviewed communities indicated that they had any community-specific topographic data available.

Hydrography Data

MEGIS, in cooperation with the USGS, is currently enhancing Maine's 1:24,000 digital hydrography data to create National Hydrography Dataset (NHD) high-resolution data (spatial data describing hydrologic features). The NHD data are partitioned into the following layers: streams, ponds, rivers, coast, and National Wetlands Inventory (NWI) data. Progress in this effort is ongoing—the current status of these data can be determined by contacting MEGIS at (207) 624-8800 or by visiting their web site http://apollo.ogis.state.me.us/. NHD data are available for download from the NHD geodatabase at http://nhdgeo.usgs.gov/viewer.htm.

Community-specific hydrography data are documented as part of the community scoping-meeting process (see Appendix). The town of Winslow indicated that Florida Power and Light is doing a study of Halifax Dam as part of the procedures to have it removed. The process to have the Halifax Dam removed is currently ongoing (2006) and there is no guarantee that the dam will be removed. Should it be removed (earliest 2007), this will affect the Sebasticook River FIS for Winslow and upstream perhaps as far as the Benton Falls Dam in Benton; in which case, there will be a need to have this affected reach of river re-studied.
Community GIS Contact Information

The March 2005 Prescoping Report for Kennebec County (Burm, 2005) documented the GIS capabilities of communities in Kennebec County. Additional GIS contact information obtained through community scoping meetings is provided in the Appendix on a community by community basis as part of the interview data. The town of Readfield is currently (2006) budgeting for dedicated GIS capabilities. Of all the interviewed communities, only the towns of Winslow and Chelsea indicated that they have dedicated GIS capabilities. Augusta did not attend the meeting but is known to have GIS capabilities by the Maine Floodplain Management Program.

Community Meetings and Contacts

One community scoping meeting was held for Kennebec County at the USGS Maine Water Science Center in Augusta, Maine, on Monday, November 7th, from 1 to 3 p.m. A second meeting time was planned for November 7th, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Kennebec Valley Council of Governments (KVCOG) office in Fairfield, Maine, but was cancelled due to lack of interest from town representatives. An invitation letter (with agenda) specifying the time and place and purpose of the meeting was mailed to at least two community officials in every municipality. The letters were addressed to the community code enforcement officer and to the community manager or first selectperson. Planners and surveyors were invited if they were known to the Maine Floodplain Management Program to be involved in floodplain management for their community. Letters were mailed to the Land Use Regulatory Commission (LURC) which oversees land use and other governmental functions for the unorganized territories and townships, and to regional planning commissions, and the county emergency management agency (EMA) director. Example copies of the letter and meeting agenda are attached to this report.

The goals of these meetings were to

- Inform the communities of the nature and the intent of the flood map update process, and
- Solicit community input and discuss the flood-prone areas that communities would like to include as a part of the flood map update.

Robert Dudley, USGS Maine Water Science Center, Bonnie Cowle, Maine Floodplain Management Program, and Stuart Rooney, Watershed Concepts representing FEMA, conducted the meeting. Community representatives were provided an overview of the Map Modernization Program and the map production schedule and technical process.

The latter part of the meeting involved breaking out into small groups with group leaders from USGS, Maine Floodplain Management Program, and Watershed Concepts. The group leaders administered and assisted with the completion of map needs interview forms (example attached, Appendix E). Community representatives were provided copies of their community’s flood maps and were encouraged to mark them up as necessary. These marked-up flood maps reside with the Maine Floodplain Management Program. Community representatives were asked to explain and prioritize their needs if possible.

MNUSS entries were reviewed with community representatives for verification. The following two common issues were identified: (1) most MNUSS entries address needs which would be fulfilled with improved base maps such as street locations, street names, and overall difficulty using the map due to lack of distinguishing ground features; and (2) the field indicating “anticipated BFE change” was commonly confused with how much the community thought the BFE was in error — for example, the field may indicate “Increased By 1 to 5 feet” but the need notes may indicate a hydraulic
structure change that would result in a lower BFE, so in this case the “anticipated BFE change” field is populated with a value of how much the community thinks the BFE is in error rather than how much the BFE is expected to change should the reach be restudied.

During the scoping meetings, the Maine Floodplain Management Program’s Best Available Data (BAD) were reviewed with each community representative if BAD data existed for that community. The review was done to make the community aware of the information if they were not already aware of it, and to solicit input on BAD data if any additional information was available to the community that was not listed in the State Planning Office’s (SPO) BAD database.

The following three subject areas encompass the data gathered from the scoping meeting process and completion of interview forms: (1) community contact information, (2) areas of the existing flood maps where there are significant problems (poor mapping or development pressures) or changes to hydrologic/hydraulic conditions, and (3) community mapping resources. Communities that did not attend the meetings were sent interview forms, MNUSS entries, and BAD data and asked to review, complete, and return them. The data from the scoping meetings were entered into the watershed information system (WISE) scoping application and are reported for each community in the Appendix as part of the interview data (Appendix B, C, and D).

Scope and Prioritization of Mapping Needs in Kennebec County

USGS staff (Robert Dudley, Charles Schalk) met with Maine Floodplain Management Program staff (Lou Sidell, Bonnie Cowle) in September 2005 as an initial kick-off meeting for the scoping process. An action item resulting from that meeting involved Maine Floodplain Management Program staff arriving at a list of factors that should be considered for prioritizing potential mapping needs in the county. Table 2 lists the factors and their qualitative weight, as determined by Maine Floodplain Management Program staff, to be considered for prioritization of flood mapping needs in the county.

Table 2. Maine Floodplain Management Program factors and qualitative weight for prioritization of community-based flood mapping needs in Kennebec County.
[Prioritization factors are listed approximately in order from highest to lowest importance; LOMCs, Letters of map change; MNUSS, Mapping needs update support system]

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<td>Very High</td>
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<tr>
<td>Presence of best available data</td>
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<td>Number of shoreland zoning permits in the vicinity of the water body</td>
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<tr>
<td>Community-specified map needs that coincide with map needs documented in the Maine Floodplain Management Database and MNUSS</td>
<td>Medium to Low</td>
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<td>Repetitive loss</td>
<td>Medium</td>
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Mapping needs were grouped into one of four different types of studies required to create or update flood hazard zones.

- **Baseline–DFIRM only**: The most economical method of creating a countywide DFIRM is through digitizing flood-hazard information from the effective FIRMs and FISs onto new mapping. This baseline option is currently being undertaken by MEGIS and other FEMA contractors.

- **Redelineation**: Existing hydrologic and hydraulic studies of the water body are adequate and the water body requires only the redelineation of the base flood elevations using updated topographic data.

- **Limited Detailed Study**: Automated tools are used to produce digital information or floodmapping for the water body in question has already been studied in detail and requires limited technical reworking of the hydrologic and (or) hydraulic analysis or the water body in question has not been studied in detail but it is expected that approximate methods would suffice to adequately map the flood hazard.

- **Detailed Study**: Can be performed to develop the digital information, including field surveyed cross-sections and structures. Because this is the most expensive type of study that FEMA can perform, the scope of the detailed study may be limited.

Note that Detail and Limited Detail studies are also assumed to need redelineation using updated topographic data, incorporating results from the new hydrologic and (or) hydraulic analyses.

USGS staff (Robert Dudley, Charles Schalk) met with Maine Floodplain Management Program staff (Bonnie Cowle) December 8, 2005 to review interview data and marked-up maps and to arrive at an initial list of mapping needs for the county. The map needs derived through this meeting were entered into the WISE scoping application.

During this meeting, Maine Floodplain Management Program staff provided first-cut prioritization on a scale from 1 to 3 (1=highest) on the basis of community need and historical community involvement in floodplain management. Other first-cut prioritization factors included BAD, connectivity, and historically documented mapping needs. Higher priority was given to A-zone waterbodies with existing BAD where maps could be created or greatly improved by simply collecting improved topographic information and redelineating existing detailed base flood elevations. Higher priority was given to waterbodies with high connectivity, where connectivity is a measure of the number of neighboring communities that are adjacent to or would otherwise benefit from improved mapping of a particular water body. For example, an A-zone river reach that connected to a detail study upstream or spanned multiple communities or a lake that bordered multiple communities would receive higher priority than a pond contained within the corporate limits of a single community. Higher priority was given to waterbodies that had been historically documented as a mapping need in either the Maine Floodplain Management Program’s Database or MNUSS or both. Historical documentation of a mapping need is indicative of an ongoing need that has been known to be a need in the past.

**Prioritized Mapping Needs and Scopes**

Mapping needs for the county compiled in consultation with the Maine Floodplain Management Program were ranked on the basis of prioritization scoring factors (table 3). Summing the scoring factors produced a community-based prioritized list of mapping needs involving redelineation, limited detail study, or detail study (table 4, fig. 4).
A second community-based prioritized list was created for map digitization only (table 5, fig. 4). This second list provides a way to prioritize communities that need modernized maps but do not necessarily have map revision needs (redelineation, limited detail study, or detail study). The scoring formula for this prioritized list used the same factors as those used for table 4 except for presence of BAD, historical mapping needs, water body priority, and water body connectivity.

Table 3. Scoring formula for prioritization of community-based flood mapping needs in Kennebec County.

[Min, minimum data value for the variable of interest; Max, maximum data value for the variable of interest; N/A, not applicable; mi², square miles; BAD, best available data; LOMCs, letters of map change; Maine Floodplain Management map type codes: b, unnumbered A-zones only; c, base-flood elevations without floodway; d, base-flood elevations with floodway; e, coastal]

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<th>Presence of BAD</th>
<th>Historical mapping need coincides with community-specified need</th>
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<td>1 point per connected community</td>
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¹ On the basis of the 2000 census.
Table 4. Prioritized community-based flood mapping needs in Kennebec County requiring redelineation, limited detail study, or detail study.

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<td>Patee Pond</td>
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<td>Kennebec River</td>
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<td>Three-mile Pond</td>
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Table 5. Prioritized community-based flood mapping need in Kennebec County on the basis of nonrevised baseline-DFIRM production only.

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Figure 4. Mapping needs by community in Kennebec County.
Project Time and Costs for Identified Mapping Needs

The USGS Maine Water Science Center will provide scoping-level time and cost estimates for the identified study needs for each water body listed in table 4. The time and cost estimates will include costs for hydrologic, hydraulic, and topographic data collection and analyses and mapping, depending on the identified type of study needed for each water body. The time and cost estimates will be submitted to the cooperating agencies (FEMA, Maine Floodplain Management Program) as a separate document as set forth in the scope of work.

Project Alternatives

Costs can be reduced by cutting back on the level of effort for the hydrologic and hydraulic (H&H) analyses and (or) reducing the number of DFIRM panels.

Alternative H&H options that would help FEMA to reduce costs include reducing the study scope from a detailed study to a limited detail study or redelineation of current flood information only. Reducing the number of DFIRM panels by altering the mix of panel scales would lower the total panel count and reduce the estimated DFIRM production cost.
Section 3. Options for Future Mapping and DTM Preparation

Mapping Requirements

This section provides an assessment of the costs and benefits of utilizing the data cataloged in the previous section for the preparation of Digital Flood Insurance Rate Maps (DFIRMs) for Kennebec County. Options are presented for using these data sets in various combinations and supplementing them with new data sets.

DFIRMs are produced from three broad categories of geospatial data: (1) Base Map, (2) Digital Terrain Model (DTM), and (3) Flood-Insurance Risk Zones. The spatial accuracy of each of these three categories is fixed by the specifications contained in the Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners, April 2003 (Guidelines and Specifications).

- Base Maps: Base maps are acquired from MEGIS and will be used by FEMA as a “backdrop” to the flood-insurance risk zones shown on the DFIRMs.

- Digital Terrain Models (DTMs): DTMs are used in conjunction with hydrologic and hydraulic models to interpret the limits of flood-insurance risk zones. DTMs represent terrain with irregularly-spaced spot elevations (x, y, z) and breaklines that indicate changes in ground slope at features such as the toe or top of channel banks or ridge lines. These data sets are generally photogrammetrically compiled by a mapping contractor from stereo photos and utilized in the form of a Triangulated Irregular Network (TIN) or a Digital Elevation Model (DEM). A DEM uses a regular grid, or raster, spacing of (x, y, z) points to represent the land surface. Each grid cell is assigned an average elevation to represent the elevation of the ground that is covered by the grid cell. A TIN represents the terrain surface with a mesh of regularly spaced points, whereas a TIN uses contiguous triangular planes.

- Flood-Insurance Risk Zones: Geographic boundaries produced by FEMA and provided in digital format.

Base Map

Base maps are defined in the Guidelines and Specifications as the “map of the community that depicts cultural features (roads, railroad, bridges, dams, culverts), drainage features, and corporate limits.” Depending on the source of the base map, the specific features found on DFIRMs may include the following data and features:

- Roads: centerlines, edge-of-pavement, right-of-way, names.
- Railroads: names.
- Bridges: names.
- Flood Control Structures: headwall, dam, levee, names.
- Airport Boundaries: names.
- Rivers: centerlines, banks, names.
- Streams: names.
• Lakes: names.

• Political Boundaries: county, municipality, special districts, wards, military reservations, Native American lands, names.

• Land Use: parks, individual land parcels, names.

The Guidelines and Specifications specify “absolute horizontal accuracy” for base map features to establish horizontal accuracy for the position of the digital data set to its actual location on the earth’s surface. The horizontal accuracy is specified as a statistical error distribution at the 95-percent confidence level and is specified in the Guidelines and Specifications as a function of finished map scale, as shown in table 3-1:

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MEGIS can provide digital data base mapping data for Kennebec County for DFIRM production.

Digital Terrain Models (DTMs)

FEMA typically develops DTMs for the production of DFIRMS as they are not widely available at the accuracies required by FEMA. The DTMs are used in conjunction with hydrologic and hydraulic models to interpret flood boundaries and can be used by the community for many other purposes other than flood management.

Guidelines and Specifications identify the following four types of DTMs: (1) Digital contours, (2) Digital Elevation Models (DEMs), (3) Mass points and breaklines, and (4) Triangulated Irregular Networks (TIN). Each of these models can be created from the other and their use is application dependent.

Under FEMA guidelines, the allowable DTMs are as follows:

• Digital contours: continuous, nonintersecting lines of equal elevation separated by a specified elevation interval.

• Digital Elevation Model (DTM): x, y, and z coordinates of regularly spaced points that form a grid.

• Mass Points and Breaklines: x, y, and z coordinates of irregularly spaced points.

• Triangulated Irregular Network (TIN): contiguous triangles with x, y, and z values at the vertices and faces with slope and aspect.
The Guidelines and Specifications specify what is referred to as “absolute vertical accuracy” for DTMs, which relates the elevation of the land surface in the digital data set to its actual elevation relative to a specific vertical datum. The National Standard for Spatial Data Accuracy (NSSDA) is specified as a statistical error distribution at the 90- and 95-percent confidence level as a function of the specified contour interval as shown in table 7:

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Contouring and DEMs are not printed on DFIRMS so their vertical accuracy is not labeled on the DFIRMS, but it is recorded in the metadata of elevation datasets used for hydrologic and hydraulic modeling.

Neither USGS nor MEGIS has elevation data suitable for hydraulic modeling and communities were contacted to find topographic or elevation data suitable for hydraulic modeling (e.g. 2-foot or 4-foot contours). Community specific topographic data will be used if it meets FEMA standards. New elevation data will be developed as necessary.

DTM development options include (1) obtaining countywide DTM data that covers all communities and (2) obtaining DTM data only for selected floodplain areas as needed to support a detailed study, limited detailed study, restudy or re-delineation of flood hazard areas. Obtaining DTM data on a countywide basis is expensive; most of the acquired data would be outside of the floodplain and not needed for hydraulic analysis. If FEMA obtains new DTM data for selected areas as needed, keeping in mind that is most cost effective to consolidate areas, where possible, and optimizes flights, the unit costs could be reduced.

**Flood-Insurance Risk Zones**

Flood-insurance risk zones are created by FEMA to set insurance rates and manage the floodplain. Flood-insurance risk zone accuracy requirements are not specified in the Guidelines and Specifications but can be described in terms of the combined accuracies of the base map, DTM, and the hydrology and hydraulic simulation models.

FEMA flood insurance rate 100- and 500-year flood zones are being converted to digital data layers by MEGIS for each community participating in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) in Maine. These datasets were developed by direct digitization of FIRM maps using data registration techniques that produced the best-fit registration to community boundaries or other suitable features.

The most common comment by community representatives was that a better base map is needed to allow easier determination of where the risk zone boundaries are relative to the existing features such as roads and buildings.
Section 4. References Cited

Appendixes
Appendix A: Community Assistance Contacts and Visits: Kennebec County
# Community Assistance Contacts in Kennebec County

**As of 12/2005**

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Community Assistance Visits in Kennebec County
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Appendix B: Community Contacts and Best Available Data: Kennebec County
COMMUNITY CONTACTS AND BEST AVAILABLE DATA: KENNEBEC COUNTY

Albion, Town of

Map Type: Unnumbered A-Zone
Participating= Yes  LURC: No

Total No. NFIP Policies= 8  No. Claims Since 1978= 0  All LOMCs: 1

Freeland Drake  207-437-2900
Selectmen
Town of Albion
PO Box 287
Albion ME 04910

Charles Porter, Jr., CEO  207-437-6325
PO Box 22
Unity ME 04988

Best Available Data: ND

Mapping Status: ND

Mapping Needs: ND

ND, No Data; NSFHA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area
COMMUNITY CONTACTS AND BEST AVAILABLE DATA: KENNEBEC COUNTY

Augusta, City of

Map Type: Floodways  
Current FIRM/FIS Map Date: 6/15/1994
Participating: Yes  
LURC: No
Ordinance Date: 6/20/1994
Total No. NFIP Policies: 62  
No. Claims Since 1978: 97
All LOMCs: 3

William Bridgeo  
City Manager  
City of Augusta  
16 Cony St.  
Augusta  
ME  
04330

(207) 626-2300

Richard Dolby, CEO  
207-626-2368
8 Mayflower Rd  
Hallowell  
ME  
04347

Best Available Data: ND

Mapping Status: ND

Mapping Needs: ND

ND, No Data; NSFHA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area
COMMUNITY CONTACTS AND BEST AVAILABLE DATA: KENNEBEC COUNTY

Belgrade, Town of

CID 230232

Map Type: No Floodways
Participating: Yes
Total No. NFIP Policies: 38

Mark Turner
Town Manager
Town of Belgrade
6 Manchester Rd.
Belgrade ME 04917
207-495-2258

Gary Fuller, CEO
16 Cony St
Augusta ME 04330
207-493-2258

Current FIRM/FIS Map Date: 1/16/1987
LURC: No
Ordinance Date: 3/6/1999
No. Claims Since 1978: 4
All LOMCs: 30

Best Available Data: Barnette Acres, 11-lot subdivision off Wings Mills Rd. on unnamed tributary to Belgrade Stream. A.E. Hodsdon subdivision flood study, 10/99.

Mapping Status: ND

Mapping Needs: ND

ND, No Data; NSFHA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area
Benton, Town of

Map Type: Floodways
Participating= Yes  LURC: No
Total No. NFIP Policies=3  No. Claims Since 1978= 7  All LOMCs: 0

Richard Lawrence  207-453-7191
Selectmen
Town of Benton
1279 Clinton Ave.
Benton ME 04901

Betsy Fitzgerald, CEO  207-445-2996
447 Vassalboro Rd
South China ME 04358

Best Available Data: ND

Mapping Status: ND

Mapping Needs: ND

ND, No Data; NSFHA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area
COMMUNITY CONTACTS AND BEST AVAILABLE DATA: KENNEBEC COUNTY

Chelsea, Town of

CID 230234

Map Type: Floodways
Participating= Yes  LURC: No
Total No. NFIP Policies= 1  No. Claims Since 1978= 1  All LOMCs: 0

Robert Drisko 207-582-4802
Town Manager
Town of Chelsea
560 Togus Rd.
Chelsea ME 04330

Robert St. Pierre, Sr., CEO 207-582-4802
Rt. 9 Box 1320
Chelsea ME 04330

Best Available Data: ND

Mapping Status: ND

Mapping Needs: ND

ND, No Data; NSFHA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area
China, Town of

Map Type: No Floodways
Participating= Yes  LURC: No
Total No. NFIP Policies= 19  No. Claims Since 1978= 3  All LOMCs: 15

Daniel L'Heureux  207-445-2014
Town Manager
Town of China
571 Lakeview Dr.
China  ME  04358

Scott Pierz, CEO  207-445-3540
571 Lakeview Dr
South China  ME  04358

Best Available Data: ND

Mapping Status: D&D will look at for XDS projects in '97/'98. (didn't happen)

Mapping Needs: Refer to Map File:
Discrepancy in map corporate limits between the towns of China and Vassalboro. The correct corporate limits is along the western shore of Three Mile Pond, shown in 2/7/75 Flood Hazard Boundary Map for the town of Vassalboro. FIRM Panel 0005 B needs to be revised.

ND, No Data; NSFHA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area
COMMUNITY CONTACTS AND BEST AVAILABLE DATA: KENNEBEC COUNTY

Clinton, Town of

Map Type: Floodways
Participating= Yes  LURC: No
Current FIRM/FIS Map Date: 5/3/1990
Ordinance Date: 3/10/1990
Total No. NFIP Policies= 6  No. Claims Since 1978= 8  All LOMCs: 0

D. Dwight Dogherty 207-426-8511
Town Manager
Town of Clinton
PO Box 219
Clinton ME 04927

Kenneth Hogate, CEO 207-426-8511
161 West Ridge Rd
Cornville ME 04976

Best Available Data: ND

Mapping Status: ND

Mapping Needs: ND

ND, No Data; NSFHA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area
Farmingdale, Town of

Map Type: Floodways
Participating= Yes  LURC: No
Total No. NFIP Policies= 7  No. Claims Since 1978= 3  All LOMCs: 0

Phyllis  Weeks  207-582-2225
Selectmen
Town of Farmingdale
289 Maine Ave.
Farmingdale  ME  04344

Robert  St. Pierre, Sr., CEO  207-582-4802
Rt. 9 Box 1320
Chelsea  ME  04330

Best Available Data: ND

Mapping Status: ND

Mapping Needs: ND
COMMUNITY CONTACTS AND BEST AVAILABLE DATA: KENNEBECK COUNTY

Fayette, Town of

Map Type: Unnumbered A-Zone
Participating= Yes  LURC: No
Total No. NFIP Policies= ND  No. Claims Since 1978= ND  All LOMCs: 0

Mark Robinson  207-685-4373
Town Manager
Town of Fayette
Rte 17, 2589 Main St.
Fayette  ME  04349

David Giroux, CEO  207-685-4373
PO Box 182
Readfield  ME  04355

Best Available Data: Lovejoy Pond: Bfe 305' (Wayne FIS 4/3/89)

Mapping Status: ND

Mapping Needs: ND

ND, No Data; NSFHA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area
### Gardiner, City of

**Map Type:** Floodways  
**Current FIRM/FIS Map Date:** 7/18/1994  
**Participating:** Yes  
**LURC:** No  
**Ordinance Date:** 6/28/2003  
**Total No. NFIP Policies:** 48  
**No. Claims Since 1978:** 79  
**All LOMCs:** 0

#### Community Official Contact Information:

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<td>Jeffrey Kobrock</td>
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| City Manager   | City of Gardiner  
| 6 Church St.   | Gardiner ME 04345 |

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<td>51 Bath Rd.</td>
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**Best Available Data:** ND

**Mapping Status:** ND

**Mapping Needs:** ND

ND, No Data; NSFHA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area
COMMUNITY CONTACTS AND BEST AVAILABLE DATA: KENNEBEC COUNTY

**Hallowell, City of**

| Map Type: Floodways | Current FIRM/FIS Map Date: 7/18/1994 |
| Participating= Yes  | LURC: No                             |
| Total No. NFIP Policies= 43 | No. Claims Since 1978= 47 | All LOMCs: 1 |

**James Rhodes**
City Manager
City of Hallowell
1 Winthrop St.
Hallowell ME 04347
207-623-4021

**David Giroux, CEO**
PO Box 182
Readfield ME 04355
207-685-4373

**Best Available Data:** ND

**Mapping Status:** ND

**Mapping Needs:** ND

ND, No Data; NSFHA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area
COMMUNITY CONTACTS AND BEST AVAILABLE DATA: KENNEBEC COUNTY

**Litchfield, Town of**

**Map Type:** Floodways  
**Participating:** Yes  
**Total No. NFIP Policies:** 19  
**Melvin Blaisdell**  
Selectmen  
Town of Cornville  
761 Beckwith Rd.  
Cornville ME 04976  

**Steven Ochmanski, CEO**  
197 Cony St  
Augusta ME 04330  

**Community Profile**  
**CID 230238**

**Current FIRM/FIS Map Date:** 11/19/1986  
**LURC:** No  
**Ordinance Date:** 6/13/1992  
**No. Claims Since 1978:** 2  
**All LOMCs:** 10  

**Best Available Data:** ND

**Mapping Status:** ND

**Mapping Needs:** ND

ND, No Data; NSFHA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area
Manchester, Town of

Map Type: Floodways  
Current FIRM/FIS Map Date: 10/15/1980
Participating= Yes  
LURC: No  
Ordinance Date: 6/11/2001
Total No. NFIP Policies= 9  
No. Claims Since 1978= 0  
All LOMCs: 2

Mark Doyon  
207-622-1894
Town Manager
Town of Manchester
PO Box 18
Manchester ME 04351

Steven Ochmanski, CEO  
207-268-4721
197 Cony St
Augusta ME 04330

Best Available Data: ND

Mapping Status: ND

Mapping Needs: see letter from town dated 5/21/97

ND, No Data; NSFHA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area
Monmouth, Town of

Map Type: No Floodways  
Participating= Yes  
Total No. NFIP Policies= 12

Pauline McDougald  
Selectmen
Town of Monmouth
PO Box 270
Monmouth ME 04259

207-933-2206

David Leeman, CEO
337 Norris Hill Rd
Monmouth ME 04259

207-946-7772

Best Available Data: ND

Mapping Status: ND

Mapping Needs: ND

ND, No Data; NSFHA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area
Mt. Vernon, Town of

Map Type: No Floodways
Participating: Yes
LURC: No

Total No. NFIP Policies: 11
No. Claims Since 1978: 0

All LOMCs: 9

Denise Williams 207-293-2379
Selectmen
Town of Mt. Vernon
1997 North Rd.
Mt. Vernon ME 04352

Richard Marble, CEO 207-293-2636
853 Holley Rd
Farmington ME 04938

Best Available Data: ND

Mapping Status: ND

Mapping Needs: ND

ND, No Data; NSFHA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area
COMMUNITY CONTACTS AND BEST AVAILABLE DATA: KENNEBEC COUNTY

Oakland, Town of

Map Type: No Floodways
Participating= Yes  LURC: No
Total No. NFIP Policies= 4  No. Claims Since 1978= 0  All LOMCs: 0

Steven Dyer  207-465-7357
Town Manager
Town of Oakland
PO Box 187
Oakland  ME  04963

Robert Ellis, CEO  207-465-2842
P.O. Box 187
Oakland  ME  04963

Best Available Data: ND
Mapping Status: ND
Mapping Needs: ND

ND, No Data; NSFHA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area
Pittston, Town of  

Map Type: Floodways  
Participating= Yes  
Total No. NFIP Policies= 3  
All LOMCs: 0

Community Official Contact Information:  
Arlene Shea  
Selectmen  
Town of Pittston  
Rte 126, RR 2, Box 9A  
Gardiner ME 04345  

Ernest Martin, Sr., CEO  
Rt 4 Bx7938 Mast Rd.  
Gardiner ME 04345

Best Available Data: ND

Mapping Status: ND

Mapping Needs: ND

ND, No Data; NSFHA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area
COMMUNITY CONTACTS AND BEST AVAILABLE DATA: KENNEBEC COUNTY

Randolph, Town of

Map Type: Floodways
Participating= Yes  LURC: No
Current FIRM/FIS Map Date: 7/5/1994  Ordinance Date: 6/2/1994
Total No. NFIP Policies=22  No. Claims Since 1978= 9  All LOMCs: 0

R. Gloria  Fitzherbert  207-582-5808
Selectmen
Town of Randolph
121 Kinderhook St.
Randolph    ME    04346

Robert  St. Pierre, Sr., CEO  207-582-4802
Rt. 9 Box 1320
Chelsea    ME    04330

Best Available Data: ND
Mapping Status:  ND
Mapping Needs:  ND

ND, No Data; NSFHA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area
Readfield, Town of

Map Type: No Floodways  
Current FIRM/FIS Map Date: 12/16/1980  
Participating: Yes  
LURC: No  
Current Ordinance Date: 2/10/1997  
Total No. NFIP Policies= 6  
No. Claims Since 1978= 0  
All LOMCs: 2

Stefan Pakulski  
207-685-4939  
Town Manager  
Town of Readfield  
8 Old Kents Hill Rd.  
Readfield ME 04355

Clifford Buuck, CEO  
207-685-3290  
PO Box 161  
Kents Hill ME 04349

Best Available Data: ND

Mapping Status: ND

Mapping Needs: ND

ND, No Data; NSFHA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area
Rome, Town of

Map Type: No Floodways  
Current FIRM/FIS Map Date: 5/17/1988  
Participating= Yes  
LURC: No  
Ordinance Date: 3/9/2002  
Total No. NFIP Policies= 9  
No. Claims Since 1978= 0  
All LOMCs: 19

Robert Moreau Sr.  
Selectmen  
Town of Rome  
8 Mercer Rd.  
Rome ME 04963

Scott Campbell, CEO  
P.O. Box 465  
Norridgewock ME 04957

Best Available Data: North Pond: Bfe 256' (Mercer FIRM 5/2/94) Little Pond: Bfe 256' (Mercer FIRM 5/2/94)

Mapping Status: ND

Mapping Needs: ND

ND, No Data; NSFHA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area
COMMUNITY CONTACTS AND BEST AVAILABLE DATA: KENNEBEC COUNTY

Sidney, Town of

CID 230247

Map Type: No Floodways
Participating= Yes    LURC: No
Total No. NFIP Policies= ND    No. Claims Since 1978= ND    All LOMCs: 0

Current FIRM/FIS Map Date: 11/20/1998
Ordinance Date: 3/20/1999

Gloria Ripley
Selectmen
Town of Sidney
2986 Middle Rd.
Sidney ME 04330
207-547-3340

Gary Fuller, CEO
16 Cony St
Augusta ME 04330
207-493-2258

Best Available Data: ND

Mapping Status: ND

Mapping Needs: ND

ND, No Data; NSFHA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area
COMMUNITY CONTACTS AND BEST AVAILABLE DATA: KENNEBEC COUNTY

**Unity TWP**

CID 230602

**Map Type:** NSFHA  
**Current FIRM/FIS Map Date:**  
**Participating:** Yes  
**LURC:** Yes  
**Ordinance Date:**  
**Total No. NFIP Policies:** ND  
**No. Claims Since 1978:** ND  
**All LOMCs:** 0

**Fred Todd**
Manager
Land Use Regulatory Commission
SHS 22
Augusta ME 04333

**Charles Porter, Jr., CEO**
207-437-6325
PO Box 22
Unity ME 04988

**Best Available Data:** ND

**Mapping Status:** ND

**Mapping Needs:** ND

ND, No Data; NSFHA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area
Vassalboro, Town of

Map Type: Unnumbered A-Zone
Participating= No
LURC: No

Total No. NFIP Policies= ND
No. Claims Since 1978= ND
All LOMCs: 1

Michael Vashon 207-872-2826
Town Manager
Town of Vassalboro
PO Box 129
North Vassalboro ME 04962

Betsy Fitzgerald, CEO 207-445-2996
447 Vassalboro Rd
South China ME 04358

Best Available Data: ND

Mapping Status: D&D will look at for XDS projects in '97/'98. (didn't happen)

Mapping Needs: Corporate boundary? Needs detailed study utilizing data from Augusta & Sidney FIS

ND, No Data; NSFHA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area
Vienna, Town of

Map Type: No Floodways
Participating= Yes

Current FIRM/FIS Map Date: 11/20/1998
LURC: No

Ordinance Date: 3/6/1999

Total No. NFIP Policies= 1
No. Claims Since 1978= 0
All LOMCs: 0

Randall Carl 207-293-2087
Selectmen
Town of Vienna
PO Box 38
Vienna ME 04360

John Archard, CEO 207-293-2674
RR 1 Box 615
Vienna ME 04360

Best Available Data: ND

Mapping Status: ND

Mapping Needs: ND

ND, No Data; NSFHA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area
Waterville, City of

CID 230070

Map Type: Floodways
Participating= Yes   LURC: No
Current FIRM/FIS Map Date: 5/7/2001
Ordinance Date: 4/23/2001

Total No. NFIP Policies= 21   No. Claims Since 1978= 7   All LOMCs: 1

Michael Roy
Administrator
City of Waterville
One Common St.
Waterville ME 04901

207-873-7131

Garth Collins, CEO

1 Common St
Waterville ME 04901

207-873-7131

Best Available Data: ND

Mapping Status: ND

Mapping Needs: ND

ND, No Data; NSFHA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area
COMMUNITY CONTACTS AND BEST AVAILABLE DATA: KENNEBEC COUNTY

**Wayne, Town of**  
**CID:** 230188  
**Community Profile**

**Map Type:** No Floodways  
**Participating:** Yes  
**LURC:** No  
**Total No. NFIP Policies:** 19  
**No. Claims Since 1978:** 25  
**Ordinance Date:** 6/11/2003  
**All LOMCs:** 1

**Gregory Davis**  
Town Manager  
Town of Wayne  
3 Lovejoy Pond Rd  
Wayne, ME 04284  
207-685-4983

**Kenneth Pratt, CEO**  
250 Patten Rd  
Greene, ME 04236  
207-685-4983

**Best Available Data:** ND

**Mapping Status:** ND

**Mapping Needs:** ND

ND, No Data; NSFHA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area
COMMUNITY CONTACTS AND BEST AVAILABLE DATA: KENNEBEC COUNTY

**West Gardiner, Town of**

- **Map Type:** Floodways
- **Current FIRM/FIS Map Date:** 3/28/1980
- **Participating:** Yes  
  **LURC:** No  
  **Ordinance Date:** 3/25/1995
- **Total No. NFIP Policies:** 13  
  **No. Claims Since 1978:** 5  
  **All LOMCs:** 0

**Community Official Contact Information:**

- **Nancy O'Laughlin**  
  207-724-3945  
  Selectmen  
  Town of West Gardiner  
  318 Spears Corner Rd.  
  West Gardiner ME 04345

- **Waldo Gilpatrick, CEO**  
  207-724-3945  
  68 Bog Hill Rd  
  W. Gardiner ME 04345

**Best Available Data:** ND

**Mapping Status:** ND

**Mapping Needs:** ND

ND, No Data; NSFHA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area
COMMUNITY CONTACTS AND BEST AVAILABLE DATA: KENNEBEC COUNTY

Windsor, Town of

Map Type: Unnumbered A-Zone
Participating= Yes  LURC: No
Total No. NFIP Policies= 4  No. Claims Since 1978= 0  All LOMCs: 3

Carl Pease
Town Manager
Town of Windsor
PO Box 179
Windsor ME 04363
207-445-2998

Robert Mills, CEO
431 Weeks Mills Rd
Windsor ME 04363
207-445-2998

Best Available Data:
- Long Pond: Bfe 187.4' NVGD per Somerville FIS 8/19/91
- Threemile Pond: Bfe 185.4' NGVD per China FIS 6/5/89

Mapping Status: ND

Mapping Needs: ND

ND, No Data; NSFHA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area
COMMUNITY CONTACTS AND BEST AVAILABLE DATA: KENNEBEC COUNTY

Winslow, Town of

Map Type: Floodways
Participating= Yes  LURC: No
Total No. NFIP Policies= 28  No. Claims Since 1978= 40  All LOMCs: 1

Edward Gagnon  207-872-2776
Town Manager
Town of Winslow
114 Benton Ave.
Winslow ME 04901

Frank Stankevitz, CEO  207-872-2776
16 Benton Ave.
Winslow ME 04901

Best Available Data: ND
Mapping Status: ND
Mapping Needs: ND

ND, No Data; NSFHA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area
Winthrop, Town of

Map Type: No Floodways
Participating: Yes
Total No. NFIP Policies: 31

Cornell Knight
Town Manager
Town of Winthrop
17 Highland Ave.
Winthrop ME 04364
207-377-7200

S. Elizabeth Young, CEO
PO Box 418
Winthrop ME 04364
207-377-2235

Current FIRM/FIS Map Date: 8/15/1980
LURC: No
Ordinance Date: 1/29/1997
No. Claims Since 1978: 12
All LOMCs: 9

Best Available Data: ND
Mapping Status: ND
Mapping Needs: ND

ND, No Data; NSFHA, No Specific Flood Hazard Area
Appendix C: Community Scoping Interview Data: Kennebec County
Community Representative Interviewed
Betsy Fitzgerald  
Code Enforcement Officer

Email: bfitz447@adelphia.net  
Tel: (207) 453-7191  
Fax: (207) 453-4428

Floodplain Management Community Contact (if different from above)

Known problems with flood maps for your community
Do you have specific areas that don’t flood (1% chance) but are currently in the floodplain?
No

Do you have specific areas that flood (1% chance) but are not mapped in the floodplain?
Yes, Fowler Brook; 15-Mile Stream

Note any significant changes in hydraulic structures (bridges, culverts, dams)
Yes, new culvert on 15 Mile Stream

Do you have (or are you proposing) high-development areas where you need new or restudied flood elevations or improved map scale?
Yes, Fowler Brook and 15-Mile Stream

Community Resources
Do you have aerial photography (or plans for any) (flight date, scale, color/bw)?
No

Do you have any topographic data (or plans for collecting) (digital terrain, contour maps)?
No

Do you have any data related to hydrologic/hydraulic studies (or plans for such studies)?
Yes.  DOT?

Do you have dedicated GIS capabilities, and if so, provide contact information?
No

Notes
Study: Fowler Brook in detail; 15-Mile Stream in detail.  Both high priority, but if push came to shove would pick Fowler as the higher priority.
SCOPING INTERVIEW DATA FOR: Chelsea, Town of

CID: 230234  Council Govt:  Annual Town Meeting Date:
Town Govt:

Community Representative Interviewed
Bob StPierre
CEO
Email:  Tel: (207) 582-4802  Fax: (207) 588-0025

Floodplain Management Community Contact (if different from above)
same

Known problems with flood maps for your community
Do you have specific areas that don’t flood (1% chance) but are currently in the floodplain?
None that the CEO has been made aware of.

Do you have specific areas that flood (1% chance) but are not mapped in the floodplain?
No

Note any significant changes in hydraulic structures (bridges, culverts, dams)
None identified

Do you have (or are you proposing) high-development areas where you need new or restudied flood elevations or improved map scale?
No

Community Resources
Do you have aerial photography (or plans for any) (flight date, scale, color/bw)?
Yes. 5-13-72, 1"=400ft(+ or -), black and white

Do you have any topographic data (or plans for collecting) (digital terrain, contour maps)?
No

Do you have any data related to hydrologic/hydraulic studies (or plans for such studies)?
No

Do you have dedicated GIS capabilities, and if so, provide contact information?
Yes. Enhanced 9-1-1 Maintenance Map Book (for Chelsea) from Maine State Office of GIS

Notes
SCOPING INTERVIEW DATA FOR: Gardiner, City of
CID: 230068 Council Govt: Annual Town Meeting Date:
Town Govt: None- City Council

Community Representative Interviewed
Waldo Gilpatrick
Code Officer
Email: ceo@gardinermaine.com Tel: (207) 582-6892 Fax: (207) 582-6895

Floodplain Management Community Contact (if different from above)

Known problems with flood maps for your community
Do you have specific areas that don’t flood (1% chance) but are currently in the floodplain?
Yes, outer Marston Road

Do you have specific areas that flood (1% chance) but are not mapped in the floodplain?
No

Note any significant changes in hydraulic structures (bridges, culverts, dams)
No

Do you have (or are you proposing) high-development areas where you need new or restudied flood elevations or improved map scale?
Yes, expanded super market and expanded elevated parking area

Community Resources
Do you have aerial photography (or plans for any) (flight date, scale, color/bw)?
No

Do you have any topographic data (or plans for collecting) (digital terrain, contour maps)?
No

Do you have any data related to hydrologic/hydraulic studies (or plans for such studies)?
No

Do you have dedicated GIS capabilities, and if so, provide contact information?
No

Notes
SCOPING INTERVIEW DATA FOR: Mount Vernon, Town of
CID: 230241 Council Govt: Annual Town Meeting Date:
Council Govt: ?
Annual Town Meeting Date: ?

Community Representative Interviewed
Creston Gaither
Land Surveyor (not a town official)
Email: crestong@yahoo.com Tel: (207) 293-2909 Fax: (207) 293-9393

Floodplain Management Community Contact (if different from above)
Richard Marble, CEO (207) 293-2636

Known problems with flood maps for your community
Do you have specific areas that don't flood (1% chance) but are currently in the floodplain?
Yes. French's Point, the peninsula in Flying Pond at the northwest corner of town (panel 5b), does not flood.

Do you have specific areas that flood (1% chance) but are not mapped in the floodplain?
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Note any significant changes in hydraulic structures (bridges, culverts, dams)
?

Do you have (or are you proposing) high-development areas where you need new or restudied flood elevations or improved map scale?
?

Community Resources
Do you have aerial photography (or plans for any) (flight date, scale, color/bw)?
Don't know

Do you have any topographic data (or plans for collecting) (digital terrain, contour maps)?
Don't know

Do you have any data related to hydrologic/hydraulic studies (or plans for such studies)?
Don't know

Do you have dedicated GIS capabilities, and if so, provide contact information?
Don't know

Notes
SCOPING INTERVIEW DATA FOR: Oakland, Town of
CID: 230242 Council Govt: Annual Town Meeting Date:
Town Govt: 1st week in May

Community Representative Interviewed
Bob Ellis
Code Enforcement Officer
Email: bellis@oaklandmaine.com Tel: (207) 465-2842 Fax: (207) 465-9118

Floodplain Management Community Contact (if different from above)
Bob Ellis

Known problems with flood maps for your community
Do you have specific areas that don't flood (1% chance) but are currently in the floodplain?
No

Do you have specific areas that flood (1% chance) but are not mapped in the floodplain?
No

Note any significant changes in hydraulic structures (bridges, culverts, dams)
No

Do you have (or are you proposing) high-development areas where you need new or restudied flood elevations or improved map scale?
No

Community Resources
Do you have aerial photography (or plans for any) (flight date, scale, color/bw)?
Yes. Yearly Update; Black and white; entire town

Do you have any topographic data (or plans for collecting) (digital terrain, contour maps)?
No

Do you have any data related to hydrologic/hydraulic studies (or plans for such studies)?
No

Do you have dedicated GIS capabilities, and if so, provide contact information?
No

Notes
SCOPING INTERVIEW DATA FOR:  Readfield, Town of
CID: 230245  Council Govt:  Annual Town Meeting Date:  Town Govt:

Community Representative Interviewed
Clif Buuck
Code Enforcement Officer
Email: readfield.ceo@adelphia.net  Tel: (207) 685-3290  Fax: (207) 685-3420

Floodplain Management Community Contact (if different from above)

Known problems with flood maps for your community
Do you have specific areas that don't flood (1% chance) but are currently in the floodplain?
Yes. Areas on Torsey Lake (affects Torsey Lake on 1b), also 6b (island).

Do you have specific areas that flood (1% chance) but are not mapped in the floodplain?
Yes.  See panel 5b (road)

Note any significant changes in hydraulic structures (bridges, culverts, dams)
Yes.  See panel 6b.  All of Marancecook Lake is flooding now because dam in next town was rebuilt 15" too high.  Expect to be resolved and cut by September 2006.

Do you have (or are you proposing) high-development areas where you need new or restudied flood elevations or improved map scale?
No

Community Resources
Do you have aerial photography (or plans for any) (flight date, scale, color/bw)?

Do you have any topographic data (or plans for collecting) (digital terrain, contour maps)?
No

Do you have any data related to hydrologic/hydraulic studies (or plans for such studies)?
No

Do you have dedicated GIS capabilities, and if so, provide contact information?
Being budgeted

Notes
SCOPING INTERVIEW DATA FOR: Vassalboro, Town of

CID: 230248 Council Govt: Annual Town Meeting Date:
Town Govt: June 2006

Community Representative Interviewed
Betsy Fitzgerald
Code Enforcement Officer
Email: bfitz@vassalboro.net Tel: (207) 872-2826 Fax: (207) 872-5414

Floodplain Management Community Contact (if different from above)

Known problems with flood maps for your community
Do you have specific areas that don’t flood (1% chance) but are currently in the floodplain? No

Do you have specific areas that flood (1% chance) but are not mapped in the floodplain? No; rate map; Outlet stream?

Note any significant changes in hydraulic structures (bridges, culverts, dams)
Yes, Outlet stream

Do you have (or are you proposing) high-development areas where you need new or restudied flood elevations or improved map scale?
Yes, Outlet Stream needs to be mapped

Community Resources
Do you have aerial photography (or plans for any) (flight date, scale, color/bw)? No

Do you have any topographic data (or plans for collecting) (digital terrain, contour maps)? No

Do you have any data related to hydrologic/hydraulic studies (or plans for such studies)? No

Do you have dedicated GIS capabilities, and if so, provide contact information? No, but maybe in the future

Notes
See BAD summary sheet. Webber Pond, BFE exists?, some development on the outlet stream.
Community Representative Interviewed
Creston Gaither
Planning Board Secretary, Land Surveyor
Email: crestong@yahoo.com  Tel: (207) 293-2909  Fax: (207) 293-9393

Floodplain Management Community Contact (if different from above)
same

Known problems with flood maps for your community
Do you have specific areas that don't flood (1% chance) but are currently in the floodplain?
Yes. Based on planning board observations and discussions it appears that the eastern shore of Parker Pond does not flood.

Do you have specific areas that flood (1% chance) but are not mapped in the floodplain?
No

Note any significant changes in hydraulic structures (bridges, culverts, dams)
Yes. A substantially larger culvert has been placed at Stetson's Brook at Seaveys Corner Road (on panel 5c about 1200 feet south from the route 41 intersection).

Do you have (or are you proposing) high-development areas where you need new or restudied flood elevations or improved map scale?
No

Community Resources
Do you have aerial photography (or plans for any) (flight date, scale, color/bw)?
No, but these are readily available elsewhere.

Do you have any topographic data (or plans for collecting) (digital terrain, contour maps)?
No, but these are readily available elsewhere.

Do you have any data related to hydrologic/hydraulic studies (or plans for such studies)?
No

Do you have dedicated GIS capabilities, and if so, provide contact information?
No

Notes
SCOPING INTERVIEW DATA FOR: West Gardiner, Town of

CID: 230250 Council Govt: Annual Town Meeting Date: 
Town Govt: March

Community Representative Interviewed
Waldo Gilpatrick
Code officer

Email: Tel: (207) 724-3945 Fax: (207) 724-6000

Known problems with flood maps for your community
Do you have specific areas that don’t flood (1% chance) but are currently in the floodplain?
No

Do you have specific areas that flood (1% chance) but are not mapped in the floodplain?
No

Note any significant changes in hydraulic structures (bridges, culverts, dams)
No

Do you have (or are you proposing) high-development areas where you need new or restudied flood elevations or improved map scale?
Yes. Most all developed around lake and stream.

Community Resources
Do you have aerial photography (or plans for any) (flight date, scale, color/bw)?
No

Do you have any topographic data (or plans for collecting) (digital terrain, contour maps)?
No

Do you have any data related to hydrologic/hydraulic studies (or plans for such studies)?
No

Do you have dedicated GIS capabilities, and if so, provide contact information?
No

Notes
SCOPING INTERVIEW DATA FOR: **Winslow, Town of**

CID: 230071  Council Govt:  Annual Town Meeting Date:
Town Govt: Monthly

Community Representative Interviewed
Frank Stankevitz
Code officer
Email: frank@winslowmaine.org  Tel: (207) 872-2776  Fax: (207) 872-1999

Floodplain Management Community Contact (if different from above)

Known problems with flood maps for your community
Do you have specific areas that don’t flood (1% chance) but are currently in the floodplain?
Yes, Pattee Pond

Do you have specific areas that flood (1% chance) but are not mapped in the floodplain?
No

Note any significant changes in hydraulic structures (bridges, culverts, dams)
Yes. FPLE to remove the Halifax dam (Application in process); 3rd Bridge on Kennebec River.

Do you have (or are you proposing) high-development areas where you need new or restudied flood elevations or improved map scale?
No

Community Resources
Do you have aerial photography (or plans for any) (flight date, scale, color/bw)?
Yes, Town flown in 1993

Do you have any topographic data (or plans for collecting) (digital terrain, contour maps)?
No

Do you have any data related to hydrologic/hydraulic studies (or plans for such studies)?
Yes, FPL being required to restudy for Halifax Dam

Do you have dedicated GIS capabilities, and if so, provide contact information?
Yes

Notes
Appendix D: Existing MNUSS Data Entries: Kennebec County
EXISTING MNUSS ENTRIES FOR KENNEBEC COUNTY
BENTON, TOWN OF

MNUSS NeedID 100000000010194
Sebasticook River
Need Desc: Changes to hydraulic analysis

Anticipated BFE Change: Increased By Greater Than 5 feet
Location of Floodplain:
Need Notes: Have added a dam on Sebasticook River.
SPO Comments: valid

MNUSS NeedID 100000000010194
Sebasticook River
Need Desc: Changes to hydraulic analysis

Anticipated BFE Change: Increased By Greater Than 5 feet
Location of Floodplain:
Need Notes: Have added a dam on Sebasticook River.
SPO Comments: valid
EXISTING MNUSS ENTRIES FOR KENNEBEC COUNTY
BENTON, TOWN OF

MNUSS NeedID 100000000010194
Sebasticook River
  Need Desc: Changes to hydraulic analysis
  Anticipated BFE Change: Increased By Greater Than 5 feet
  Location of Floodplain:
  Need Notes: Have added a dam on Sebasticook River.
  SPO Comments: valid

CID 230233  MNUSS Summary
  Date of Need: 8/4/1997
  Panel: 2302330004B
  Length: 0.9 mi
EXISTING MNUSS ENTRIES FOR KENNEBEC COUNTY
CHINA, TOWN OF

MNUSS NeedID 100000000010240

Need Desc: Add LOMCs (per panel)

Anticipated BFE Change: Not Applicable
Location of Floodplain:
Need Notes:
SPO Comments: DFIRM will address

MNUSS NeedID 100000000010240

Need Desc: Add LOMCs (per panel)

Anticipated BFE Change: Not Applicable
Location of Floodplain:
Need Notes:
SPO Comments: DFIRM will address
EXISTING MNUSS ENTRIES FOR KENNEBEC COUNTY

CHINA, TOWN OF

MNUSS NeedID 100000000010373

Need Desc: Annexation and corporate limits (per panel)

Anticipated BFE Change: Not Applicable

Location of Floodplain:

Need Notes:

SPO Comments: DFIRM will address

MNUSS NeedID 100000000010373

Need Desc: Annexation and corporate limits (per panel)

Anticipated BFE Change: Not Applicable

Location of Floodplain:

Need Notes:

SPO Comments: DFIRM will address
### Existing MNUSS Entries for Kennebec County

**China, Town of**

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MANCHESTER, TOWN OF

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Anticipated BFE Change: Not Applicable

Location of Floodplain:

Need Notes:

SPO Comments: DFIRM will address

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MNUSS NeedID 100000000010160

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Anticipated BFE Change: Not Applicable

Location of Floodplain:

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MONMOUTH, TOWN OF

MNUSS NeedID 100000000010292
Date of Need: 12/15/1997

NUMEROUS ZONE A's
Panel: 2302400010A

Need Desc: Changes to hydrologic conditions
Length: 19.6 mi

Anticipated BFE Change: Increased By Greater Than 5 feet

Location of Floodplain:

Need Notes: COMMUNITY REQUESTS A RESTUDY TO INCLUDE FLOODWAYS

SPO Comments: any chg due to dam failure?

MNUSS NeedID 100000000010292
Date of Need: 12/15/1997

NUMEROUS ZONE A's
Panel: 2302400015A

Need Desc: Changes to hydrologic conditions
Length: 19.6 mi

Anticipated BFE Change: Increased By Greater Than 5 feet

Location of Floodplain:

Need Notes: COMMUNITY REQUESTS A RESTUDY TO INCLUDE FLOODWAYS

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**Need Notes:** COMMUNITY REQUESTS A RESTUDY TO INCLUDE FLOODWAYS

**SPO Comments:** unsure

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**Need Notes:** COMMUNITY REQUESTS A RESTUDY TO INCLUDE FLOODWAYS

**SPO Comments:** unsure
EXISTING MNUSS ENTRIES FOR KENNEBEC COUNTY
MONMOUTH, TOWN OF

MNUSS NeedID 100000000010292
NUMEROUS ZONE A's
Need Desc: Changes to hydrologic conditions

Anticipated BFE Change: Increased By Greater Than 5 feet
Location of Floodplain:
Need Notes: COMMUNITY REQUESTS A RESTUDY TO INCLUDE FLOODWAYS
SPO Comments: unsure

MNUSS NeedID 100000000010292
NUMEROUS ZONE A's
Need Desc: Changes to hydrologic conditions

Anticipated BFE Change: Increased By Greater Than 5 feet
Location of Floodplain:
Need Notes: COMMUNITY REQUESTS A RESTUDY TO INCLUDE FLOODWAYS
SPO Comments: unsure
EXISTING MNUSS ENTRIES FOR KENNEBEC COUNTY
MONMOUTH, TOWN OF

MNUSS NeedID 100000000010291

Need Desc: Add LOMCs (per panel)

Anticipated BFE Change: Not Applicable
Location of Floodplain:
Need Notes:
SPO Comments: DFIRM will address

MNUSS NeedID 100000000010291

Need Desc: Add LOMCs (per panel)

Anticipated BFE Change: Not Applicable
Location of Floodplain:
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EXISTING MNUSS ENTRIES FOR KENNEBEC COUNTY
MONMOUTH, TOWN OF

MNUSS NeedID 100000000010291

Need Desc: Add LOMCs (per panel)

Anticipated BFE Change: Not Applicable

Location of Floodplain:

Need Notes:

SPO Comments: DFIRM will address
EXISTING MNUSS ENTRIES FOR KENNEBEC COUNTY

MT. VERNON, TOWN OF

MNUSS NeedID 1000000000010331

ALL A-ZONES

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Appendix E: Attachments
Subject: IMPORTANT MEETING – Flood Map Update – Scoping & Data Collection for Kennebec County

Dear Sir/Madam:

As part of their Flood Map Modernization initiative, the Maine Floodplain Management Program and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will be updating the Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) for Kennebec County communities and will be producing a county-wide digital FIRM (DFIRM). In an effort to share information on the flood map update process and provide an opportunity for local input, we would like to meet collectively with the local officials involved in floodplain management from the Kennebec County communities (i.e., code enforcement officers/planners/planning board member/GIS staff). We hope for active participation at the meetings, which will help us establish the scope of the mapping project for Kennebec County. Toward that effort, we have mailed this letter to code enforcement officers as well as chief elected officials. Your community’s input is very important if you wish to contribute to improving the flood maps. If you choose not to provide input, a new map will still be generated but may or may not reflect changes you would have liked. To accommodate local officials’ schedules, both an afternoon and evening meeting have been scheduled. Please use the FAX-back form to confirm attendance at one of the meetings.

Kennebec County: Office of USGS, 196 Whitten Rd., Augusta, Monday, Nov. 7th, 1-3 p.m.
Kennebec County: Office of KVCOG, 17 Main St., Fairfield, Monday, Nov. 7th, 6-8 p.m.

The State of Maine Floodplain Management Program, the US Geological Survey (USGS) and FEMA or its representative will conduct the Scoping Meetings. The purpose of the meetings is to:

Inform the communities of the nature and the intent of the flood map update process and new digital product,

Make introductions and establish points of contact between the communities, the State of Maine Floodplain Management Program, USGS, and FEMA,

Break into small groups and solicit community input regarding community concerns with the current mapping of the special flood hazard areas (i.e., areas where there is a need for flood elevation data, areas that never flood but are currently mapped in the floodplain and vice versa),
[Note: the majority of current problems with the base map, such as lack of roads and labelling errors, will be resolved due to use of new aerial photo and digital base map, as explained below]

Identify and prioritize problem areas on current maps (copies will be supplied),

Discuss and record the availability of any community specific data, such as:
- digital orthophotography and (or) topographic mapping data undertaken by the community,
- local flood hazard studies undertaken by the developers, property owners or the community for permitting purposes as required in the local floodplain ordinance OR for the purposes of obtaining a Letter of Map Amendment/Letter of Map Revision from FEMA, any of which provides flood elevation data,
- verified historical data from past flooding events such as surveyed high water marks, photos taken at the time of high water, or post-disaster documents,
- any community plans for, or interest in, acquiring or contributing to new data

Discuss any changes that have been made to hard structures (culverts, bridges, dams, etc.) within the community that may affect water flow/flooding, or any proposed large developments in the floodplain,

The updated Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) will be in a county-wide inclusive format (with many panels), and will be produced in a digital format, known as a DFIRM. The DFIRM will also include an extensive GIS database, and the digital floodplain boundaries will be depicted on an aerial photo base map. The truly digital product will be able to be overlaid on existing GIS base maps of the community/county (i.e. tax map, shoreland zoning map, infrastructure or other GIS based maps), which will improve the use of flood hazard data at the local and regional level. Also, using the new flood map in either paper form or with GIS, will definitely allow for easier and faster flood map determinations.

It is very important that a representative(s) of your community attend one of the Scoping Meetings (the lead floodplain management person - usually the code enforcement officer, the planner/planning board chair, GIS staff, public works director and (or) other involved elected official). It is also important that information regarding the time and place of the Scoping Meeting be disseminated so that anyone who could provide engineering, topographic or mapping data, and is interested in the mapping results, can attend.

To prepare for the Scoping Meeting, we would like for your community to identify flood mapping issues that you would like to be considered for (re)study or review. It would be helpful to have the flooding issues prioritized and be prepared to precisely locate the areas of concern on the flood maps at the meeting. In addition, it would also be very beneficial to bring a brief narrative describing the reasons for the requested (re)studies or reviews. This information will help facilitate the meeting and assist us in finalizing the scope of work. This information may also be sent to the lead scoping agency working in collaboration with the Maine Floodplain Management Program and FEMA: USGS, 196 Whitten Road, Augusta, ME 04330.

Attached with this letter please find a FAX-back sign-up form and maps for the meeting locations. Please submit the FAX-back form by November 3, 2005 so that we can plan accordingly. Your prompt attention to this matter is appreciated, and will help ensure that an accurate and efficient project scope for the flood hazard mapping update for Kennebec County is developed. If you have any questions regarding the Scoping Meetings or desire additional information, please feel free to contact Bonnie at the State Planning Office at 287-8052 or Rob Dudley, from USGS, at 622-8201 ext 115.

Bonnie Cowle, CFM  
Maine Map Modernization Project Coordinator

G. Fred Vanderschmidt IV, CFM  
FEMA Region I
Maine Floodplain Management Program

FEMA Map Mod Scoping Meeting Agenda: Kennebec County, Maine

Rob Dudley, P.E.
USGS Maine Water Science Center

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Kennebec County Community Interview Form
FEMA Map Modernization Program
November 7, 2005

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CID#: 230 ___ ___ GOVT: ☐ Town OR ☐ Council

If Town Government, Date of Annual Town Meeting: ________________

Community Representative(s) attending meeting:

Name(s): _____________________________________________________________

Title(s): _____________________________________________________________

Tel: ___________________________ Email(s): _______________________________

Fax: ____________________________

Floodplain Mgt Community Contact (and contact info if different from above):

Known problems with flood maps for your community (note FIRM panel numbers)
(Note: Most base-map issues such as street names, roads, corporate boundaries, and spatial issues will be fixed when new digital FIRM are produced) PLEASE PROVIDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR ANY YES ANSWERS BELOW

Do you have specific areas that don’t flood (1% chance) but are currently in the floodplain? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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Do you have specific areas that flood (1% chance) but are not mapped in the floodplain or not mapped at all? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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Have any changes in hydraulic structures (bridges, culverts, dams) taken place that would change the maps? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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Do you currently have (or are you proposing) high-development areas where you need new or restudied flood elevations or improved map scale? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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Community resources:

Do you have aerial photography or plans for any (flight date, scale, color/black & white)? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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Do you have topographic data or plans for collecting any (digital terrain, contour maps)? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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Do you have any other data like special hydrologic/hydraulic studies (or plans for studies)? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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Do you have dedicated GIS capabilities? ☐ Yes ☐ No (Provide GIS contact info if different from front page)

Interviewer: Review MNUSS entries and BAD with community rep. ☐ Done and all OK, or ☐ Done and see notes

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