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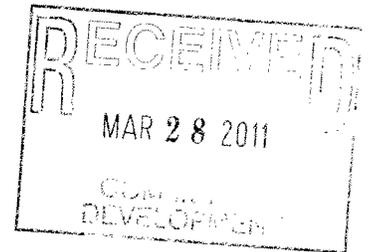
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March 23, 2011

Erik Tolley
Chairperson, Board of Selectmen
Town of Yarmouth
Town Hall
1146 Route 28
South Yarmouth, Massachusetts 02664



Dear Mr. Tolley:

I am writing to follow up on our recent phone conversation about the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA's) upcoming Risk Mapping Assessment and Planning (Risk MAP) Discovery Meeting for select coastal and tidal portions of Barnstable County. Please see the proposed study area on the enclosed map. Risk MAP is a new FEMA program that helps communities identify, assess, and increase awareness of their flood risk. By combining new engineering analysis with updated flood hazard data, FEMA provides accurate and easy-to-use information to enhance local mitigation plans, improve community outreach, and increase local awareness to flood hazards.

The Discovery process commences at the beginning of a Risk MAP project and assists in identifying additional community data and/or local flood knowledge. The Discovery Meeting is part of the Discovery process and the information exchanged between FEMA and the Town of Yarmouth during Discovery will improve our understanding of your coastal watershed's flood hazard mapping and mitigation planning. During Discovery, FEMA:

- Gathers information about local flood risks and flood hazards. Please see the enclosed Data Request Sheet for a list of data that could be of potential use for the study.
- Reviews mitigation plans to understand local mitigation capabilities, hazard risk assessments, and current or future mitigation activities.

Discovery Meetings Details

Two Discovery Meetings are scheduled for the Barnstable County Coastal Study. You are welcome to attend either or both of these meetings. Please note that the same information will be presented at both meetings on April 14, 2011. The following are times and locations for these meetings:

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Location: Community Center
Large Meeting Room
702 Main Street
Chatham, Massachusetts 02633

Time: 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Location: Barnstable Town Hall
Hearing Room, Second Floor
367 Main Street
Hyannis, Massachusetts 02601

STARR, a FEMA technical services contractor, is performing the Barnstable County Coastal Study. Please RSVP to Brian Caufield, the STARR Project Manager for this study, by e-mail at Brian.Caufield@starr-team.com or by calling (617) 452-6658.

In addition to inviting community leaders, emergency managers, GIS specialists, and local planners to the Discovery Meeting, FEMA will invite other stakeholders with a vested interest in Barnstable County coastal resources, floodplains, and flood risk. This may include representatives from State, Federal, regional, and local agencies and associations. Together, we will discuss the study that will be conducted in the coastal sections of Barnstable County, any information you are able to provide, as well as the importance of mitigation planning and community outreach.

We encourage you and/or any other relevant floodplain management staff to attend these important meetings. The partnership and exchange of information between FEMA and your community will be important to the successful identification of coastal flood risks in your community.

If you have any questions regarding the Discovery process, the scheduled Discovery Meetings or the requested data, please contact Brian Caufield at (617) 452-6658 or by e-mail at Brian.Caufield@starr-team.com. Also available to answer any questions is Kerry Bogdan, Senior Engineer at FEMA Region I. Kerry can be contacted at (617) 956-7576 or by email at Kerry.Bogdan@dhs.gov.

Sincerely,



Michael J. Goetz, Chief
Risk Analysis Branch
FEMA Region I

Attachment: Map of Study Area
Data Request Sheet

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Karl W. von Hone, Director, Division of Natural Resources, Town of Yarmouth
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Barnstable County

- Community Affected by Study
- Proposed Study Panel
- Panel Not Printed



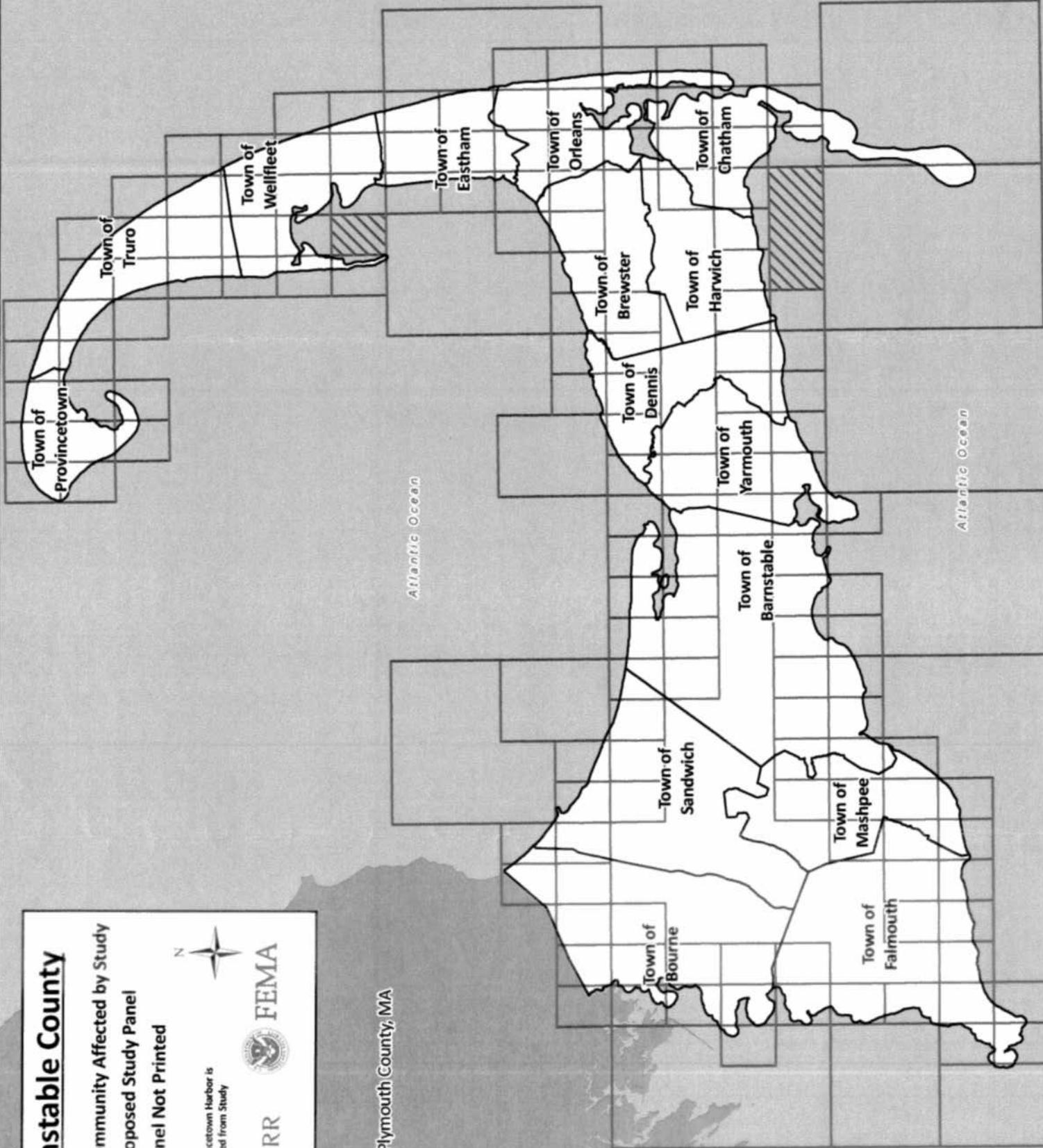
Note: Provincetown Harbor is excluded from Study



Plymouth County, MA

Atlantic Ocean

Atlantic Ocean



Data Request

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| Disaster High Water Marks (HWM) |
| Letters of Map Change (LOMCs) |
| Available topographic data (better than 2 ft) |
| Location extent, condition, and owner of coastal protection structures (i.e., revetments, seawalls, etc.) or any other public or private project which may have impacted the floodplain |
| Areas of recent development, identified future development, or future rezoning |
| Areas of significant beach or dune erosion |
| Post-event surveys and investigations for major storms |
| Documented areas of repetitive coastal flooding |
| Ongoing or future topographic acquisition efforts |
| Structure information |
| Hazard mitigation plans |
| Structural and flooding issues not represented on effective NFIP maps |
| Building footprints |
| Community plans to alleviate flooding |