

NOTICE

EMERGENCY ADOPTION OF, AND PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR THE ADVISORY BASE FLOOD ELEVATION MAPS PREPARED BY THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) UNDER LAW NUMBER 3 OF SEPTEMBER 27, 1961

In accordance with Law No. 75-1975, as amended, known as the "Organic Law of the Puerto Rico Planning Board," and Law No. 38-2017, known as the "Uniform Administrative Procedure Law of the Government of Puerto Rico," it is notified that the Puerto Rico Planning Board made an emergency adoption of the Advisory Base Flood Elevation Maps prepared by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), under Law No. 3 of September 27, 1961, as amended, known as the "Law for the Control of Buildings in Flood Prone Zones" and in accordance with the rules of FEMA's National Flood Insurance Program, Title 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 60.3 (44 CFR 60.3), (d) and (e), subpart B; Section 9.7(c); as well as corresponding amendments to Regulation No. 13, effective. On April 13, 2018, the Governor of Puerto Rico, the Hon. Ricardo A. Rosselló Nevares, certified that these Maps shall be effective immediately.

Pursuant to Section 2.13 of Law No. 38-2017, previously cited, and Law No. 75-1975, previously cited, it is announced that the Planning Board will hold public hearings to present the Advisory Base Flood Elevation Maps, as noted below:

DATE	TIME	LOCATION
April 26, 2018	9:00 AM	Planning Board Library, 16th Floor Roberto Sánchez Vilella Government Center De Diego Ave. at Baldorioty de Castro Ave. San Juan, Puerto Rico
April 27, 2018	10:00 AM	Conference Room, Historical Archive of the Municipality of Ponce, Ponce Building Guadalupe St. at Mayor St. No. 72 Ponce, Puerto Rico

DISCUSSION TOPICS:

The Board requires, through adoption of these Maps, the use of new advisory base flood elevations and new advisory base flood elevation delineations for all new construction or substantial improvement; furthermore, the new advisory flood zone known as Coastal A Zone or area of moderate wave action (MOWA) is also adopted; and the definition of the Coastal A Zone or MOWA is incorporated into Planning Regulation No. 13, effective, and it will include the definition of the line that represents the limit of moderate wave action (LMWA).

DISPLAY OF DOCUMENTS:

The Advisory Base Flood Elevation Maps will be available to the public in digital format through the Planning Board's web page: <http://jp.pr.gov> directly on the home page. In addition, you may digitally access the Maps and the incorporation of the definition into Planning Regulation No. 13, at the Office of the Secretary, 16th Floor, Planning Board, at the Roberto Sánchez Vilella Government Center, De Diego Ave., Parada 22, Santurce, and at the Regional Offices of the Permits Management Office (OGPe) at the following locations:

OGPe Regional Aguadilla

Government Center
9th Floor, Muñoz Rivera Ave. Aguadilla, PR
(Next to the Municipal Police Building, downtown)

OGPe Regional Arecibo

Commercial Building Galería del Norte
2nd Floor, Hwy. #2 Km 81.7
Bo. Carrizales, Hatillo PR

OGPe Regional Humacao

Hwy. Desvío Sur
3rd Floor, Boulevard del Río Ave. Humacao, PR
(Next to FSE)

OGPe Regional Ponce

Government Center
3rd Floor, Suite 303, Hostos St. No. 2440 Las Américas Ave. Ponce, PR
(Across from Hospital Metropolitano) Antiquo Hospital Doctor Pila

INVITATION TO THE PUBLIC:

Government organizations, private entities, and the general public are invited to participate in these hearings and to submit comments.

In accordance with Law No. 38-2017, previously cited, a thirty (30) day term is granted, starting on the publication date of this notice, to submit comments in writing to P. O. Box 4119, San Juan, PR 00940-1119. Comments may also be submitted via e-mail to: comentariosjp@jp.pr.gov. The Planning Board will acknowledge receipt of the comments received via the Internet during the following two (2) working days, starting upon receipt, in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.1 of Law No. 38-2017, previously cited.



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