

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Proposed Flood Hazard Determinations for Saline County, Arkansas and Incorporated Areas

The Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has issued a preliminary Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM), and where applicable, Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report, reflecting proposed flood hazard determinations within the Cities of Benton, Bryant, and Haskell; the Town of Bauxite; and the unincorporated areas of Saline County. These flood hazard determinations may include the addition or modification of Base Flood Elevations, base flood depths, Special Flood Hazard Area boundaries or zone designations, or the regulatory floodway. Technical information or comments are solicited on the proposed flood hazard determinations shown on the preliminary FIRM and/or FIS report for the aforementioned communities. These flood hazard determinations are the basis for the floodplain management measures that your community is required to either adopt or show evidence of being already in effect in order to qualify or remain qualified for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program. However, before these determinations are effective for floodplain management purposes, you will be provided an opportunity to appeal the proposed information. This appeal period will commence on the second publication date of this notice scheduled on or about April 19, 2019. For information on the statutory 90-day period provided for appeals, as well as a complete listing of the communities affected and the locations where copies of the FIRM are available for review, please visit FEMA's website at www.fema.gov/plan/prevent/fhm/bfe, or call the FEMA Map Information eXchange toll free at 1-877-FEMA MAP (1-877-336-2627).

Although no changes have occurred in the flood hazard information for the Cities of Alexander, Shannon Hills, and Traskwood, a 90-day comment period is being provided to these communities to allow for comments and concerns found within the new/updated FIRM panels and FIS report released on October 30, 2018. This comment period will commence on the second publication date of this notice scheduled on or about April 19, 2019.

The Preliminary FIRM and FIS report have been mailed to the local Floodplain Administrators. In addition, the FIRM and FIS report are available for review at www.riskmap6.com.