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| Unnamed Tributary No. 6 to Brighton Creek and League Lake. | At the confluence with Brighton Creek | None | +742 | Unincorporated Areas of Kenosha County, Village of Paddock Lake. |
| • | Approximately 1,681 feet upstream of 60th Street | None | +789 | |
| Unnamed Tributary No. 7 to Des Plaines River. | Approximately 815 feet downstream of 120th Avenue | None | +676 | Unincorporated Areas of Kenosha County, Village of Pleasant Prairie. |
| | At the downstream side of 136th Avenue | None | +710 | |
| Unnamed Tributary No. 8 to Kilbourn Road Ditch. | Approximately 670 feet upstream of the confluence with Kilbourn Road Ditch. | +709 | +710 | Unincorporated Areas of Kenosha County. |
| | At the upstream side of Frontage Road | None | +724 | |
| Unnamed Tributary No. 8 to Kilbourn Road Ditch Over- flow. | Approximately 800 feet upstream of its confluence with Kilbourn Road Ditch. | +707 | +708 | Unincorporated Areas of Kenosha County. |
| | Approximately 2,464 feet upstream of its confluence with Kilbourn Road Ditch. | None | +716 | |

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Send comments to William R. Blanton, Jr., Chief, Engineering Management Branch, Mitigation Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20472.

ADDRESSES

City of Kenosha

Maps are available for inspection at City Hall, 625 52nd Street, Kenosha, WI 53140-3738.

Unincorporated Areas of Kenosha County

Maps are available for inspection at County Courthouse, 912 56th Street, Kenosha, WI 53140-3738.

Village of Paddock Lake

Maps are available for inspection at Village Hall, 6969 236th Avenue, Salem, WI 53168.

Village of Pleasant Prairie

Maps are available for inspection at Village Hall, 9915 39th Avenue, Pleasant Prairie, WI 53158-6501.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 97.022, "Flood Insurance.")

Dated: January 3, 2008.

David I. Maurstad,

Federal Insurance Administrator of the National Flood Insurance Program, Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency. [FR Doc. E8–725 Filed 1–15–08; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

44 CFR Part 67

[Docket No. FEMA-B-7757]

Proposed Flood Elevation Determinations

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Emergency Management Agency

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Administrative Procedure Act Statement. This matter is not a rulemaking governed by the Administrative Procedure Act (APA), 5 U.S.C. 553. FEMA publishes flood elevation determinations for notice and comment; however, they are governed by the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, 42 U.S.C. 4105, and the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, 42 U.S.C. 4001, et seq., and do not fall under the APA.

National Environmental Policy Act. This proposed rule is categorically excluded from the requirements of 44 CFR part 10, Environmental Consideration. An environmental impact assessment has not been prepared.

Regulatory Flexibility Act. As flood elevation determinations are not within the scope of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601–612, a regulatory flexibility analysis is not required.

Executive Order 12866, Regulatory Planning and Review. This proposed rule is not a significant regulatory action under the criteria of section 3(f) of Executive Order 12866, as amended.

Executive Order 13132, Federalism. This proposed rule involves no policies that have federalism implications under Executive Order 13132.

Executive Order 12988, Civil Justice Reform. This proposed rule meets the applicable standards of Executive Order 12988.

List of Subjects in 44 CFR Part 67

Administrative practice and procedure, Flood insurance, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Accordingly, 44 CFR part 67 is proposed to be amended as follows:

PART 67—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for part 67 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 4001, *et seq.*; Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1978, 3 CFR, 1978 Comp., p. 329; E.O. 12127, 44 FR 19367, 3 CFR, 1979 Comp., p. 376.

§ 67.4 [Amended]

2. The tables published under the authority of § 67.4 are proposed to be amended as follows:

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| | Kenton County, Kentucky, and Incorpo | rated Areas | | |
| Banklick Creek | Eaton Drive bridge | +498 | +499 | City of Covington, City of Erlanger, City of Fort Wright, City of Inde- pendence, Unincor- porated Areas of Kenton County. |
| | 3,500 feet upstream of Webster Lane bridge | +649 | +648 | |
| Bullock Pen Creek (Banklick Creek backwater). | 140' upstream of CSX railroad crossing of Bullock Pen Creek. | None | +517 | City of Edgewood. |
| | City of Edgewood and City of Erlanger corporate limits. | None | +517 | |
| DeCoursey Creek (Licking River backwater). | City of Fairview and Kenton County Unincorporated corporate limits. | None | +504 | City of Fairview. |
| | 4,670 feet upstream of City of Fairview and Kenton County Unincorporated corporate limits. | None | +504 | |
| Fowler Creek | Mouth at Banklick Creek | +554 | +562 | City of Independence, Unincorporated Areas of Kenton County. |
| | Pelly Road bridge | +710 | +713 | , |
| Unnamed Tributary (Backwater from Licking River). | 870 feet downstream of CSX Railroad Bridge | None | +518 | Unincorporated Areas of Kenton County. |
| | 1,010 feet upstream of CSX Railroad | None | +518 | |

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ADDRESSES

City of Covington

Maps are available for inspection at 638 Madison Avenue, Covington, KY 41011.

City of Edgewood

Maps are available for inspection at 385 Dudley Road, Edgewood, KY 41017.

City of Erlanger

Maps are available for inspection at 505 Commonwealth Avenue, Erlanger, KY 41018.

City of Fairview

Maps are available for inspection at 303 Court Street, Covington, KY 41011.

City of Fort Wright

Maps are available for inspection at 409 Kyles Lane, Fort Wright, KY 41011.

City of Independence

Maps are available for inspection at 5292 Madison Pike, Independence, KY 41051.

Unincorporated Areas of Kenton County

Maps are available for inspection at 303 Court Street, Covington, KY 41011.

| Harrison County, Mississippi, and Incorporated Areas | | | | |
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| Back Bay of Biloxi/Big Lake | Near the intersection of Popps Ferry Road and Causeway Drive. | +11 | +15 | City of D'Iberville, City of Biloxi, Unincorporated Areas of Harrison Coun- ty. |
| | Near the intersection of Interstate 110 and Bay Shore Drive. | +13 | +21 | , ., . |
| Bay of Biloxi | Near the intersection of D'Iberville Boulevard and Lamey Bridge Road. | +11 | +16 | City of Biloxi, City of D'Iberville, Unincorporated Areas of Harrison County. |
| | At Harrison/Jackson county boundary near U.S. Highway 90. | +16 | +23 | , |
| Bernard Bayou | Approximately 350 feet upstream of Interstate 10 | +11 | +15 | Unincorporated Areas of Harrison County, City of Gulfport. |
| | Approximately 3,000 feet upstream of Mennonite Road. | None | +87 | ' |
| Tributary 3 | At the confluence with Bernard Bayou | None | +23 | Unincorporated Areas of Harrison County. |
| | Approximately 5,808 feet upstream of Orange Grove Road. | None | +44 | |
| Tributary 4 | At the confluence with Bernard Bayou Tributary 3 | None | +24 | Unincorporated Areas of Harrison County, City of Gulfport. |
| | Approximately 1,900 feet upstream of Lambrecht Road. | None | +64 | |
| Tributary 5 | At the confluence with Bernard Bayou Tributary 4 | None | +40 | Unincorporated Areas of Harrison County, City of Gulfport. |
| | Approximately 850 feet upstream of Pheasant Drive | None | +65 | |
| Tributary 6 | At the confluence with Bernard Bayou | None | +28 | Unincorporated Areas of Harrison County. |
| | Approximately 300 feet upstream of Orange Grove Road. | None | +52 | |
| Big Creek | Approximately 29,040 feet upstream of the confluence with Wolf River. | None | +55 | Unincorporated Areas of Harrison County. |
| | Approximately 32,208 feet upstream of the confluence with Wolf River. | None | +58 | , |
| Biloxi River | Approximately 100 feet upstream of Lorraine Rd | +11 | +15 | City of Biloxi, City of Gulf- port, Unincorporated Areas of Harrison Coun- ty. |
| | At Harrison/Stone county boundary | None | +104 | |
| Brickyard Bayou | Approximately 200 feet upstream of 8th Avenue Approximately 250 feet upstream of Stewart Avenue | +10 None | +13 +30 | City of Gulfport. |

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| Brickyard Bayou/Bernard Bayou/Turkey Creek. | Near intersection of 8th Avenue and Pass Road | +10 | +12 | City of Gulfport. | |
| Canal No. 1 | Near the intersection of Ridge Road and Taylor Road Approximately 2,100 feet upstream of Epsy Avenue | +11 +16 | +18 +18 | City of Pass Christian, Un- incorporated Areas of Harrison County. | |
| Canal No. 3 | Approximately 2,900 feet upstream of Epsy Ave Approximately 1,000 feet downstream of Epsy Avenue. | +17 +14 | +18 +17 | Unincorporated Areas of Harrison County, City of Long Beach. | |
| | Approximately 1,000 feet downstream of Beatline Road. | +18 | +19 | 25.19 2505 | |
| Crow Creek | Approximately 19,008 feet upstream of the confluence with Biloxi River. | None | +95 | Unincorporated Areas of Harrison County. | |
| | Approximately 24,816 feet upstream of the confluence with Biloxi River. | None | +101 | - | |
| Flat Branch | At the confluence with Bernard Bayou | +11 | +15 | Unincorporated Areas of Harrison County, City of Gulfport. | |
| | Approximately 8,976 upstream of the confluence with Flat Branch Tributary 2. | None | +66 | | |
| Tributary 1 | Approximately 1,450 feet downstream of Hamilton Street. | None | +22 | City of Gulfport. | |
| Tributary 2 | Approximately 3,900 feet upstream of Robinson Road At the confluence with Flat Branch | None None None | +58 +53 +56 | City of Gulfport. | |
| Fritz Creek | with Flat Branch. Approximately 3,400 feet upstream of Lorraine Road Approximately 850 feet upstream of Three Rivers Road. | +11 None | +15 +56 | City of Gulfport. | |
| Tributary 1 | Shallow flooding area bound by O'Neal Road to the North, Mays Road to the South, Crystal Weel Court to the West, and Three Rivers Road to the East. | None | #2 | City of Gulfport. | |
| | Approximately 100 feet upstream of Three Rivers Road. | None | +52 | | |
| Tributary 2 | Approximately 1,050 feet upstream of O'Neal Road At the confluence with Fritz Creek | None None | +60 +39 | City of Gulfport, Unincor- porated Areas of Har- rison County. | |
| | Approximately 1,650 feet upstream of Three Rivers Road. | None | +58 | , | |
| Gulf of Mexico/Mississippi Sound. | Near the intersection of Main Street and Water Street | +12 | +17 | City of Biloxi, City of Gulf- port, City of Long Beach, City of Pass Christian, Unincor- porated Areas of Har- rison County. | |
| | Near the intersection of Espy Avenue and U.S. Highway 90. | +18 | +26 | , | |
| Hickory Creek | Approximately 3,850 feet upstream of McHenry Road | None | +121 | Unincorporated Areas of Harrison County. | |
| Hog Branch | Approximately 7,920 feet upstream of McHenry Road Approximately 1,800 feet upstream of the confluence with Tuxachanie Creek. | None +35 | +128 +36 | Unincorporated Areas of Harrison County. | |
| | Approximately 10,032 feet upstream of South Carr Bridge Road. | None | +98 | | |
| Howard Creek | Approximately 2,700 feet upstream of Old Highway 67. | +13 | +15 | City of Biloxi. | |
| | Approximately 3,300 feet upstream of Old Highway 67. | +15 | +16 | | |
| Little Biloxi River | Approximately 150 feet downstream of McHenry Road. | None | +120 | Unincorporated Areas of Harrison County. | |
| Mill Creek | Approximately 6,700 feet upstream of McHenry Road Approximately 4,900 feet upstream of State Highway 53. | None None | +129 +104 | Unincorporated Areas of Harrison County. | |
| | Approximately 8,976 feet upstream of State Highway 53. | None | +114 | | |

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| Palmer Creek | Approximately 3,800 feet upstream of Wortham Road | None | +76 | Unincorporated Areas of Harrison County. |
| Parker Creek | Approximately 9,200 feet upstream of Wortham Road Approximately 430 feet upstream of Woolmarket Road. | None +13 | +87 +15 | City of Biloxi, Unincorporated Areas of Harrison County. |
| | Approximately 9,504 feet upstream of State Highway 67. | None | +75 | |
| Pole Branch | Approximately 270 feet downstream of Cable Bridge Road. | None | +61 | Unincorporated Areas of Harrison County. |
| | Approximately 3,200 feet upstream of Cable Bridge Road. | None | +68 | |
| Ponding Area | Ponding area bound by Irish Hill Drive to the North, West Howard Avenue to the South, Porter Avenue to the West, and Iroquois Street to the East. | None | +21 | City of Biloxi. |
| Ponding Areas | Near intersection of Big Lake Road and Lejuene Drive. | None | +25 | City of Biloxi. |
| Sandy Creek | Near intersection of Irish Hill Drive and Brister Place Approximately 1,200 feet downstream of Steel Bridge Road. | None None | +29 +72 | Unincorporated Areas of Harrison County. |
| | Approximately 2,500 feet upstream of Steel Bridge Road. | None | +75 | |
| Saucier Creek | Approximately 1,200 feet upstream of State Highway 67. | None | +92 | Unincorporated Areas of Harrison County. |
| Shallow Flooding | Just downstream of Martha Redmond Road | None None | +111 #1 | City of Pass Christian. |
| St. Louis Bay/Wolf River/ Canal No. 1/Canal No. 3. | Near the intersection of Red Creek Road and Menge Avenue. | +12 | +17 | Unincorporated Areas of Harrison County, City of Pass Christian. |
| | At Harrison/Hancock county boundary south of Interstate 10. | +16 | +26 | |
| Tchoutacabouffa River | Approximately 5,400 feet upstream of State Highway 15. | +11 | +14 | City of Biloxi, Unincorporated Areas of Harrison County. |
| | Approximately 5,000 feet upstream of the confluence with Railroad Creek. | None | +75 | |
| Tchoutacabouffa River/Biloxi River. | Near intersection of Old Highway 67 and Woolmarket Road. | +11 | +13 | City of Gulfport, City of Biloxi, City of D'Iberville, Unincorporated Areas of Harrison County. |
| | Near the intersection of Pin Oak Drive and Oaklawn Road. | +14 | +19 | |
| Turkey Creek | Approximately 2,250 feet downstream of Airport Road | +11 | +14 | City of Gulfport, Unincorporated Areas of Harrison County. |
| Tuxachanie Creek | Approximately 3,350 feet upstream of Ohio Avenue Approximately 1,050 feet downstream of Whit Plains Road. | +15 +33 | +16 +34 | Unincorporated Areas of Harrison County. |
| West Creek | Approximately 21,120 feet upstream of Bethel Road Approximately 2,000 feet downstream of State Highway 67. | None None | +95 +85 | Unincorporated Areas of Harrison County. |
| | Approximately 10,032 feet upstream of State Highway 67. | None | +95 | ĺ |
| Wolf River | Approximately 9,700 feet upstream of Bells Ferry Road. | +17 | +19 | Unincorporated Areas of Harrison County. |
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City of Gulfport

Maps are available for inspection at Department of Urban Development-Building Codes Services, 2200 15th Street, Trailer B-5, Gulfport, MS 39501.

City of Long Beach

Maps are available for inspection at Building Code Office, 645 Klondike Road, Long Beach, MS 39560.

City of Pass Christian

Maps are available for inspection at Building Code Office, 203 Fleitas Avenue, Pass Christian, MS 39571.

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David I. Maurstad,

Federal Insurance Administrator of the National Flood Insurance Program, Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency. [FR Doc. E8–724 Filed 1–15–08; 8:45 am]

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