

# Letter of Map Amendment (LOMA) Revalidation Statuses

## What do the LOMA revalidation statuses and colors in the National Flood Hazard Layer (NFHL) Viewer mean?

The LOMA locations\* in the NFHL Viewer now include revalidation statuses (where applicable). Those revalidation statuses are:

- **Valid (Purple):** This LOMA is current with the latest Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) panel. It either:
  - has not been revalidated, “*No Revalidation Status,*” OR
  - was revalidated because it was “*Not Incorporated*” into an update for the county or community and remains valid.
- **Incorporated (Pink):** This LOMA is no longer valid. The modifications affected by this Letter of Map Change (LOMC) have been incorporated into a revised FIRM panel. *Note: This status is rare as most amendments are not mappable.*
- **Superseded (Gray):** This LOMA has not been incorporated into the revised FIRM because:
  - it is being superseded by new or revised flood hazard data OR
  - the information available was not sufficient to make a determination
- **Contact Community for Revalidation Status (Brown):** This LOMA went into effect before the current FIRM went into effect, and does not yet have a revalidation status. Please contact the local community official for more information.
- **Reevaluation Needed (Orange):** This LOMA includes multiple lots or structures and some or all require new determinations to be made. Therefore, it cannot be revalidated. Please contact the local community official for more information.

### \*LOMA Locations

LOMA locations are approximate. The official location of the LOMA is referenced in the legal property description in the LOMA determination document.

### The LOMA Database

The LOMA database may include LOMAs that are no longer effective. To be certain a particular LOMA is currently valid, please check the relevant documentation on the [FEMA Map Service Center](#).

Relevant documents can be found for an individual community by choosing “Search All Products”; selecting the appropriate state and then appropriate county. Relevant documents may include LOMAs found in the “Effective Products” and “LOMC” folders, as well as revalidations

Users may also want to contact the local community official for additional information.

### FEMA Map Service Center (MSC)

To view flood maps and data, access a range of other flood hazard products, and take advantage of tools for better understanding flood risk visit the [FEMA Map Service Center](#).

### FEMA Map Information eXchange (FMIX)

Toll-Free: 1-877-FEMA-MAP  
(1-877-336-2627)

[FEMAMapSpecialist@riskmapcds.com](mailto:FEMAMapSpecialist@riskmapcds.com)

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday,  
8:00 a.m. ET – 6:30 p.m. ET

Try the FMIX’s Live Chat Service, available on the [MSC](#) Monday – Friday  
9:00 a.m. ET – 5:00 p.m. ET.


## RISK MAPPING, ASSESSMENT, AND PLANNING PROGRAM (RISK MAP)

The Federal Emergency Management Agency’s Risk MAP Program delivers quality data that increases public awareness and leads to action to reduce risk to life and property. Risk MAP is a nationwide program that works in collaboration with States, Tribes, and Local communities using best available science, rigorously vetted standards, and expert analysis to identify risk and promote mitigation action, resulting in safer, more resilient communities.

## LOMA Locations

LOMA locations, as shown on the NFHL Viewer, are approximate. The official exact location of the LOMA is in the legal property description on the LOMA Determination Document. See Figure 1: LOMA Determination Document below.

Figure 1: LOMA Determination Document

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 <b>Federal Emergency Management Agency</b> Washington, D.C. 20472				
<b>LETTER OF MAP AMENDMENT DETERMINATION DOCUMENT (REMOVAL)</b>				
COMMUNITY AND MAP PANEL INFORMATION		LEGAL PROPERTY DESCRIPTION		
COMMUNITY	CITY OF RICHMOND, INDEPENDENT CITY, VIRGINIA	Lot 41, Block Q, Oxford, Section B, as described in the Special Warranty Deed recorded as Instrument No. 170020141, in the Office of the City Clerk, City of Richmond, Virginia		
	COMMUNITY NO.: 510129			
AFFECTED MAP PANEL	NUMBER: 5101290016D			
	DATE: 4/2/2009	APPROXIMATE LATITUDE & LONGITUDE OF PROPERTY: 37.544305, -77.544647		
FLOODING SOURCE: RATTLESNAKE CREEK		SOURCE OF LAT & LONG: LOMA LOGIC DATUM: NAD 83		

## Where can I find the LOMA data with revalidation statuses?

The best place to access the LOMA data is through the [NFHL Viewer](#). For more information on the NFHL database, please see the [NFHL web page](#) on fema.gov.

Geographic Information Systems (GIS) users may import a NFHL GIS service with the LOMA point locations directly into their GIS desktop client or web application. Additional information on available services are on [FEMA GIS Services Page](#).

LOMA data “power users” may directly download the zip file containing the LOMA shapefiles and metadata, updated nightly at: [LOMA Point Shapefiles](#).