HURRICANE KATRINA SURGE INUNDATION and ADVISORY BASE FLOOD ELEVATION MAP
Orleans Parish, Louisiana
Map Number: LA-BB29

Date of Event: August 29, 2005
Date of Map: June 6, 2006

HOW TO READ THIS MAP

In green-shaded areas, the Advisory Base Flood Elevation (ABFE) is used to determine if a particular property is higher than the two proposed elevations:

- Current, effective Base Flood Elevation (BFE) shown on the community’s Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) - FEMA has added a flood elevation to the BFE, which is the highest elevation achievable (in feet) at the building site. The flood elevation is defined as the highest natural elevation of the ground surface prior to construction next to the proposed walls or structure.

Using the best available data, the FEMA has overlaid the areas of the Parish where each of these two options should be applied:

- In green-shaded areas, FEMA recommends that the first floor of the building (including basements) be elevated 3 feet above ABFE to cover at least 50% of the building site.

Maps for Advisory Purposes Only - Not for Insurance Rating Purposes
For insurance rating purposes, refer to the community’s Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM), available at your local government or the FIRM Map Service Center (1-800-358-9616) http://msa.fema.gov/}

For more information on these advisory maps, please see: http://www.fema.gov/hazard/flood/diversity/advisory_index-128.pdf