

DEACCREDITATION NOTIFICATION LETTER

[Mr./Ms.] (Full Name of Levee Owner)
(Title of Levee Owner)
(Levee Owner Address)
(City, State Abbreviation, and Zip Code)

Dear **[Mr./Ms.] (Last Name of Levee Owner)**:

This is in regard to the **(Name of Levee)** shown on the effective Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) and in the effective Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report for **(County or Community Name)**. As you may know, the Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), **[is in the process of/will be]** producing a countywide FIS report and Digital Flood Insurance Rate Map (DFIRM) for **(County or Community Name)**. This effort **[is being/will be]** undertaken as part of the FEMA Flood Map Modernization program.

As part of the FEMA effort to produce the DFIRM, it was determined that the flood hazard information presented on the effective FIRM and in the effective FIS report is based, in some areas, on flood protection provided by the **(Levee Name)**. Based on the information available and on the mapping standards of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) at the time that the FIS was performed, FEMA accredited the levee with providing protection from the flood that has a 1-percent-chance of being equaled or exceeded in any given year. The 1-percent-annual-chance flood also is referred to as the base flood.

INSERT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS:

- In a letter dated **(Insert Date)**, FEMA provided you with a 90-day period to submit the entire Provisionally Accredited Levee (PAL) application package required for the levee to be provisionally accredited as providing base flood protection. However, you were unable to submit all of the necessary data associated with the PAL application before the 90-day period elapsed. Therefore, the **(Levee Name)** will not be provisionally accredited as providing base flood protection on the DFIRM.
- In a letter dated **(Insert Date)**, FEMA provided you with a 24-month period to submit all necessary data and documentation to comply with the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 44, Section 65.10 (44 CFR 65.10), which is required for the levee to be accredited as providing base flood protection. However, you were unable to submit all of necessary data and documentation to comply with 44 CFR 65.10 before the 24-month period elapsed. Therefore, the **(Levee Name)** will not be accredited as providing base flood protection on the DFIRM.
- In a letter dated **(Insert Date)**, FEMA provided you with a 1-year correction period to remedy all levee maintenance deficiencies and submit the data and documentation required for the levee to be accredited as providing base flood protection. However, you informed FEMA that you are unable to correct the levee maintenance deficiencies within the 1-year period. Therefore, the **(Levee Name)** will not be recognized as accredited as providing base flood protection on the DFIRM.
- In a letter dated **(Insert Date)**, FEMA provided you with a 1-year correction period to remedy all levee maintenance deficiencies and submit the data and documentation required for the levee to be accredited as providing base flood protection. Please note that the 1-year correction period expired on **(Insert Date)**. Because all maintenance deficiencies were not resolved and/or necessary data and documentation were not submitted and approved before the end of the 1-year period, the **(Levee Name)** will not be accredited as providing base flood protection on the DFIRM.

Please note that the **(Levee Name)** is no longer accredited as providing base flood protection. [CHOOSE APPROPRIATE SENTENCE : (FOR 1-YEAR CORRECTION PERIOD LEVEES:) **FEMA will issue the Letter of Final Determination and effective DFIRM to show the area landward of the levee that is subject to inundation by the base flood as located in a Special Flood Hazard Area.** OR (FOR PAL LEVEES:) **FEMA will initiate a map revision to remove the provisional levee accreditation and show the areas landward of the levee that is subject to inundation by the base flood as located in a Special Flood Hazard Area.** Therefore, the mandatory flood insurance purchase requirements of the NFIP will apply to these areas when the DFIRM becomes effective.

If you need additional information or assistance, please contact **(Regional Engineering Contact Name)** of my staff, either by telephone at **(Regional Engineering Contact's Telephone Number: (###) ###-####)** or by facsimile at **(Regional Engineering Contact's Fax Number: (###) ###-####)**.

Sincerely,

**(Regional Mitigation Division Director's Name)
[Director/Acting Director], Mitigation Division
FEMA Region (Region Numeral)**

[Enclosure]

cc: **(Community CEO)**
(Community Floodplain Administrator)
(State NFIP Coordinator)
(USACE Point of Contact)
Senator **(Senator's Last Name)**'s Washington, DC, Office
Senator **(Senator's Last Name)**'s Washington, DC, Office
Representative **(Representative's Last Name)**'s, Washington, DC, Office