



# *Borough of Lincoln Park*

County of Morris

973-270-2021

Dr. David A. Runfeldt, Mayor

E-MAIL [Mayorrufeldt@bolp.org](mailto:Mayorrufeldt@bolp.org)

March 22, 2021

Re: Letter of Map Revision (LOMR)

Dear Property Owner,

The Federal Emergency management Agency (FEMA) recently issued a Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) that may positively affect your property and the premiums you pay for flood insurance.

**So what is a LOMR?** A LOMR is a letter from FEMA officially revising the current Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) to show changes to floodplains, floodways, or flood elevations. Typically these letters are associated with large scale map changes. When a LOMR is issued by FEMA, the affected FIRM will be reissued, physically changing the map to reflect the results of the LOMR.

**Why was the LOMR issued?** The Borough of Lincoln Park requested a review of existing flood maps because available preliminary data suggested that a significant number of properties in the Borough may eventually be removed, or partially removed, from the flood plain upon the issuance of new Flood Insurance Rate Maps. Those that are not removed may benefit from a somewhat lower Base Flood Elevation (BFE). Unfortunately, the process of issuing new Flood Insurance Rate Maps by FEMA has been delayed. The LOMR, sought by the Borough, will significantly accelerate the benefits that will be realized upon the eventual issuance of the new maps.

**For residents that are no longer in the Special Flood Hazard Area (100-Year FEMA Floodplain):** Contact your flood insurance provider and verify that as per the Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) Determination Document, issued February 12, 2021 and **effective June 29, 2021**, you are owed a rebate of flood insurance paid past the new effective date and that future insurance is no longer required. Detailed color maps, as well as a copy of the LOMR can be found at the following link: <https://www.lincolnpark.org/453/Flood-Maps>

**For residents that are still in the new flood zone but understand that the new FEMA Special Flood Hazard Area Base Flood Elevation (BFE) is lower and may benefit them:**

The Borough recommends that you contact a local Professional Land Surveyor (PLS) licensed in New Jersey to prepare an elevation certificate and, as applicable, a Letter of Map Amendment (LOMA). An elevation certificate may demonstrate that you are paying too high a flood insurance premium or that you should not be paying a premium at all.

Borough residents may want to consider contacting the three local survey firms below to establish a cost for an Elevation Certificate:

MPF Land Surveying, LLC – (973) 879-4214  
William F. Zimmerly & Associates – (973) 694-5836  
DMC Associated Inc. Land Surveyors – (973) 838-9187

These references are provided for informational purposes only. The Borough does not endorse or recommend any particular firm, nor does it make any judgement regarding the quality of work provide by any of the firms. You may, of course, use any firm of your choosing should you decide to have an Elevation Certificate prepared for your property.

In the interim, please contact Nicholas Agnoli, P.E., Borough Floodplain Manager, for advice on the above actions at 201-424-5821 or [agnoli@agnoligroup.com](mailto:agnoli@agnoligroup.com)

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dr. Runfeldt". The signature is written in a cursive, somewhat stylized font.

Dr. David A. Runfeldt  
Mayor, Lincoln Park, NJ