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MEMORANDUM

TO: Community Executive Officer / Local Floodplain Administrator

FROM: Al W. Goodman, Jr., CFM
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RE: DeSoto County 'Risk MAP' Update

The Mississippi Flood Map Modernization Initiative Team (MEMA, MDEQ, and MGI, LLC) will conduct an initial remapping meeting with DeSoto County and the communities of Hernando, Horn Lake, Olive Branch, Southaven, and Walls at 10:00 a.m. on October 8, 2009. This initial coordination will serve as a 'kick-off' to the update of the DeSoto County and the incorporated communities' digital flood insurance rate maps.

This will be a map panel specific update effort. The local officials of the county and the communities are cordially invited to the session. The meeting will be held on the following date / time and at the following location:

Date	Time	Location
October 8	10:00 a.m.	DeSoto County EOC 830 Old Hwy 51 Nesbit, MS 38651

I am requesting that the appropriate Board Supervisor, Mayor, Alderman, Community Engineer, Community Administrator, Community Planner, GIS staff, and any other appropriate person(s) attend the briefing. This is not a public meeting; we are not at that stage as of yet. This is simply the first in a series of meetings that will result in updated digital flood map panels for your communities.

We propose a one-hour session, which will inform the local officials of the method in which the state of Mississippi is conducting its flood map modernization program, in partnership with the local stakeholder communities. We wish to make personal contact with the community officials in order to build goodwill and a team attitude. The maps will be constructed with the full input of each concerned community.

The entire process generally takes between 24 and 36 months.

