



August 18, 2004

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Community Executive Officer / Local Floodplain Administrator

**FROM:** Al W. Goodman, Jr., CFM  
State NFIP Coordinator

**RE:** Mississippi Flood Map Modernization Initiative  
Jackson County Follow-Up Scoping Meeting

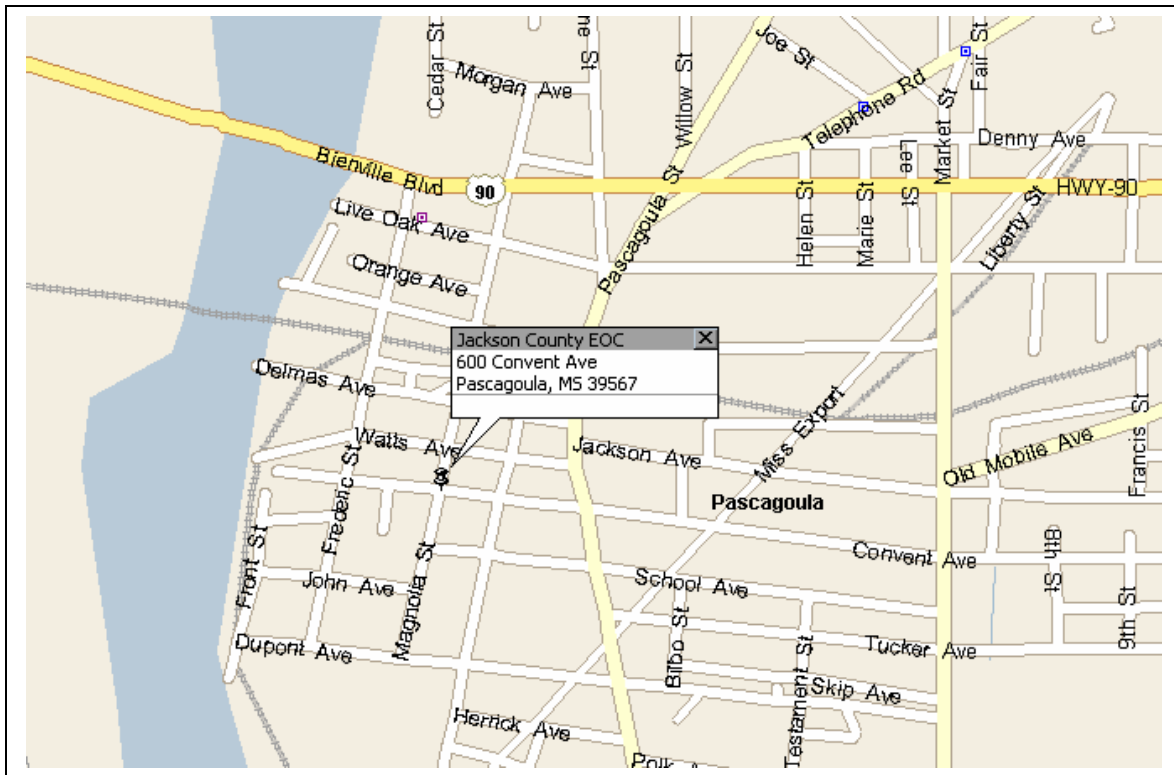
The Mississippi Flood Map Modernization Initiative coordination team will conduct its follow-up 'scoping meeting' with Jackson County and the four incorporated communities found within its boundaries on August 27, 2004 at 2:00 PM. This meeting will take place in the Jackson County EOC. The address is 600 Convent Avenue, Pascagoula, Mississippi 39567.

This will be a countywide re-mapping effort, so the county and the communities found therein are cordially invited to the meeting to provide input into the process. The purpose of this meeting is to review the previous input received from Jackson County, Gautier, Moss Point, Ocean Springs, and Pascagoula. This review will ensure that the new maps will adequately address the communities' identified priority mapping areas.

It will be helpful if the county and municipal officials most familiar with both recent and historical flood events, current and future development patterns, and accuracy of current FIRMs are available to meet with the Scoping Team. In addition, this group may include county planning/zoning officials, emergency management personnel, and building officials. Representatives from local offices of state and federal agencies such as MDOT, NRCS or USACE may also have valuable input to the scoping process. We also encourage the involvement of local engineers and surveyors who are familiar with the

current flood maps and topography of Jackson County. Since the new FIRMs will be produced in both printed and digital formats, community GIS personnel may wish to discuss how the new maps can be integrated with other county and city GIS systems.

We look forward to working with you and your staff to provide a superior flood hazard risk map for your citizens. A better map will lead to better floodplain management within your community. If you have any questions, please contact me at 601-366-6325 or through the agency web page at <http://www.msema.org/nfip/nfip.htm>.



**LOCATION:** Jackson County Emergency Operations Center, 600 Convent Avenue, Pascagoula, MS 39567

**DATE:** August 27, 2004

**TIME:** 2:00 PM CST

**CONTACT INFO:** EOC: 228-769-3111