



April 6, 2004

MEMORANDUM

TO: Community Executive Officer / Local Floodplain Administrator

FROM: Al W. Goodman, Jr., CFM
State NFIP / Dam Safety Coordinator

RE: Mississippi Flood Map Modernization Initiative
Re-mapping of the Floodplains within Our Communities

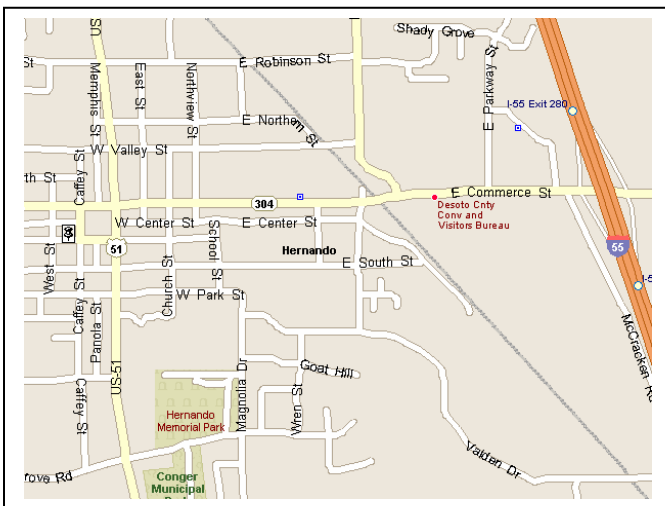
The Mississippi Flood Map Modernization Initiative coordination team will conduct two 'kick-off' meetings this month in north Mississippi. We are referring to these initial coordination briefings as 'Meet and Greet' Team Building events.

This will be a countywide re-mapping effort, so each county and the communities found therein are cordially invited to the meeting in their respective locale. The two meetings will be held on the following dates / times and at the following locations:

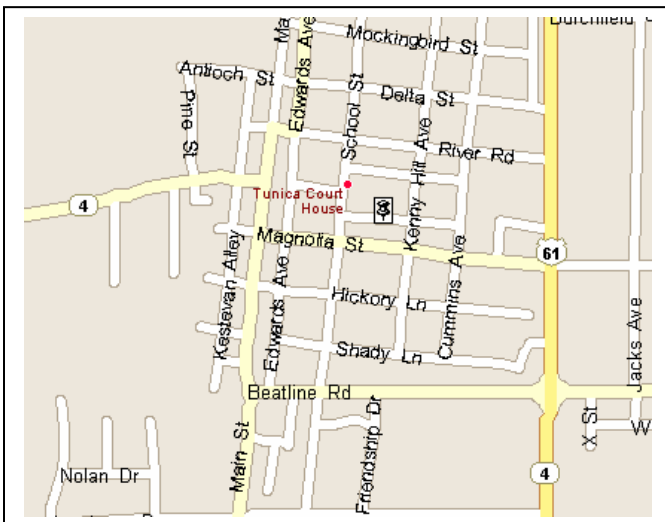
Date	Time	Location
April 15	9:00 AM	DeSoto County Admin Bldg, 3 rd floor (Board of Supervisors Meeting Room), 365 Loshier Street, Hernando, 38632
April 15	1:00 PM	Tunica Co. CD Conference Room, 2 nd floor 1061 South Court Street, Tunica, 38676

I am requesting the assistance of the local Floodplain Administrators in inviting each appropriate Board Supervisor, Mayor, Alderman, Community Engineer, Community Administrator, Community Planner, GIS staff, and any other appropriate person(s) of the two counties and their five incorporated municipalities to their respective meeting. 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 new flood maps for your community.

We propose a one-hour session, which will inform the local officials of the method in which the state of Mississippi is conducting the new 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. We do not intend to create the impression that any map will be forced on a community. The maps will be constructed with the full input of each concerned community. This is our great opportunity to improve our flood maps, let's make a best effort to improve these flood risk identification tools for our citizens. After this 'Meet and Greet,' the state's mapping contractors can then begin their initial contacts with all communities in order to gather all available technical data.



Apr. 15th: 9:00 AM
County Admin Bldg
3rd Floor Meeting Room
365 Lusher Street
Hernando, MS



Apr. 15th: 1:00 PM
Civil Defense Bldg
2nd Floor Meeting Room
1061 South Court Street
Tunica, MS