The floodway is the channel of a stream plus any adjacent floodplain areas that must be kept free of structures. This area is shown in yellow with a dotted line on this FIRM. If a levee is being considered for construction, the floodway area will also need to be considered in the selection of the location of the levee.

The boundaries of the floodway, stream channel, and any adjacent floodplain areas are delineated by floodway cross sections. The floodway is the area on the floodplain that is adjacent to a stream channel, and is determined to be subject to inundation by the 1% annual chance (100-year) flood. The floodway is depicted on the FIRM by a yellow dotted line with the letter "F" or "Sw".

The floodway is determined by hydraulic calculations, which consider a variety of factors, including the size and shape of the stream channel, the surrounding topography, and the characteristics of the floodplain. The floodway boundary is typically defined by the stream channel and the area that is inundated by the highest floodwaters that have been observed in the past.

The floodway boundaries are shown on the FIRM as a series of floodway cross sections, which are perpendicular to the stream channel and provide information on the elevation, width, and depth of the floodway. These cross sections are used to determine the floodway boundary and to evaluate the potential for flooding in the area.

In addition to the floodway, the floodplain is also depicted on the FIRM. The floodplain is the area adjacent to a stream channel that is subject to inundation by the 1% annual chance flood. The floodplain is shown on the FIRM as a yellow shaded area with a solid line.

The floodplain is determined by hydraulic calculations, which consider a variety of factors, including the size and shape of the stream channel, the surrounding topography, and the characteristics of the floodplain. The floodplain boundary is typically defined by the stream channel and the area that is inundated by the highest floodwaters that have been observed in the past.

The floodplain is also shown on the FIRM as a series of floodplain cross sections, which are perpendicular to the stream channel and provide information on the elevation, width, and depth of the floodplain. These cross sections are used to determine the floodplain boundary and to evaluate the potential for flooding in the area.

To determine if flood insurance is available in this community, contact your insurance agent or call (301) 713-3242 to request an insurance rate quote from the National Flood Insurance Program in general, please call the toll-free number (800) 423-8037.

For information on flood control structures for this jurisdiction, contact the Federal Emergency Management Agency at (301) 713-3242 or visit the FEMA Map Service Center website at http://msc.fema.gov. A FIS report should be utilized in conjunction with the FIRM for purposes of construction and/or floodplain management. Refer to Section 2.4 "Flood Protection Measures" of the Flood Insurance Study report for information on flood control structures for this jurisdiction.