NOTE TO USERS

The map is for use as an aid to understanding the Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) legend which describes various flood hazard areas. Areas subject to flooding in this community are identified on the map in one of four flood hazard categories - Special Flood Hazard Areas, Base Flood Zones, Base Flood Planes, and Zones of Moderate Wave Action. These areas are shown on the map using different symbols and colors. Explanation of these symbols and colors is provided in the FIRM legend.

For more information on flood hazards in this community, contact your local floodplain manager or the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

The Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) of Neshoba County, Mississippi, is being published in accordance with Section 409 of the National Flood Insurance Program. It is intended for flood insurance rating purposes only and should not be used as the sole basis for making floodplain or land use decisions.

To obtain more detailed information on areas subject to Base Flood Elevations (BFEs) consult the FIRM report that accompanies this FIRM. Users should be aware that certain areas not in Special Flood Hazard Areas may be protected by CBRS areas and OPAs. CBRS areas and OPAs are normally located within or adjacent to Special Flood Hazard Areas.

FIRM PANEL LOCATOR

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In April 2009, Base Flood Elevations were computed for a 1% annual chance flood based on an assumed coastal floodplain and a new coastal flood control system. Boundaries of the floodplain were computed at cross sections and interpolated between those lines. Elevations were also computed at the limits of the base flood for the areas shown on the map. These elevations represent the highest water elevation that could be expected from a 1% annual chance flood. The elevations were rounded to the nearest whole foot. elevations shown on this FIRM were provided in digital format by the State of Mississippi. These flood elevations must be compared to structure and ground elevations referenced to the North American Vertical Datum of 1988. Fortunately, the Flood Insurance Study report (FIS) contains authoritative hydraulic data which describes areas subject to coastal flooding.

The Flood Insurance Study report should be utilized in conjunction with the FIRM for purposes of construction and/or development. The BFEs shown on the FIRM represent rounded whole-foot elevations. These BFEs are intended for flood insurance rating purposes only and should not be used as the sole basis for making floodplain or land use decisions. A 1% annual chance flood is the flood that has a 1% chance of being equaled or exceeded in any given year. The Special Flood Hazard Area is the coastal floodplain and areas adjacent to the coastal floodplain which may be subject to coastal flooding. These areas are subject to coastal flooding due to direct wave action from the ocean.

To obtain more detailed information in areas where coastal floodplains are identified on the map contact your local floodplain manager or the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

To determine if flood insurance is available in this community, contact your insurance agent or call 1-877-336-2627. If flood insurance is available in your community, your insurance agent will provide you with a certificate of insurance. If flood insurance is not available in your community, your insurance agent will provide you with information on other means of obtaining flood insurance. Please refer to the separately printed Map Index after this map was published, map users should contact appropriate community officials to obtain more detailed information in areas where coastal floodplains are shown on this map.

The flood insurance rate map (FIRM) is intended for flood insurance rating purposes only. The elevations shown on the map are rounded to the nearest whole foot. These elevations are not intended to be used for determining the actual elevation of any structure.