

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY****40 CFR Part 52**

[AK21-1709; FRL-6450-8]

**Approval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plan: Alaska****AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).**ACTION:** Direct final rule; withdrawal.

**SUMMARY:** Due to a correction and clarification, EPA is withdrawing the direct final rule for the approval of various amendments to the carbon monoxide (CO) State Implementation Plan for Alaska. The original action was published in the **Federal Register** on September 1, 1999 (64 FR 47674), as a direct final rule. EPA will correct and clarify its approval of Alaska's transportation conformity program. As stated in the **Federal Register** document, if the direct final rule is withdrawn, timely notice of withdrawal would be published in the **Federal Register**. EPA is withdrawing the direct final rule and will address the correction and clarification when it republishes the direct final action in the near future. Another public comment period will be offered when it is republished.

**DATES:** This direct final rule is withdrawn as of October 5, 1999.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Montel Livingston, Office of Air Quality (OAQ-107), EPA, Region 10, 1200 6th Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101, (206-553-0180).**List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 52**

Environmental protection, Air pollution control, Carbon monoxide, Hydrocarbons, Incorporation by reference, Intergovernmental relations, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: September 23, 1999.

**Chuck Clarke,***Regional Administrator, Region 10.*

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**FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY****44 CFR Part 65****Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations****AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** Modified base (1% annual chance) flood elevations are finalized for the communities listed below. These modified elevations will be used to calculate flood insurance premium rates for new buildings and their contents.

**EFFECTIVE DATES:** The effective dates for these modified base flood elevations are indicated on the following table and revise the Flood Insurance Rate Map(s) in effect for each listed community prior to this date.

**ADDRESSES:** The modified base flood elevations for each community are available for inspection at the office of the Chief Executive Officer of each community. The respective addresses are listed in the following table.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Matthew B. Miller, P.E., Chief, Hazards Study Branch, Mitigation Directorate, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-3461, or (e-mail) matt.miller@fema.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Federal Emergency Management Agency makes the final determinations listed below of the final determinations of modified base flood elevations for each community listed. These modified elevations have been published in newspapers of local circulation and ninety (90) days have elapsed since that publication. The Associate Director has resolved any appeals resulting from this notification.

The modified base flood elevations are not listed for each community in this notice. However, this rule includes the address of the Chief Executive Officer of the community where the modified base flood elevation determinations are available for inspection.

The modifications are made pursuant to Section 206 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, 42 U.S.C. 4105, and are in accordance with the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, 42 U.S.C. 4001 *et seq.*, and with 44 CFR part 65.

For rating purposes, the currently effective community number is shown and must be used for all new policies and renewals.

The modified base flood elevations are the basis for the floodplain management measures that the community is required to either adopt or to show evidence of being already in effect in order to qualify or to remain qualified for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

These modified elevations, together with the floodplain management criteria required by 44 CFR 60.3, are the minimum that are required. They should not be construed to mean that

the community must change any existing ordinances that are more stringent in their floodplain management requirements. The community may at any time enact stricter requirements of its own, or pursuant to policies established by other Federal, State, or regional entities.

These modified elevations are used to meet the floodplain management requirements of the NFIP and are also used to calculate the appropriate flood insurance premium rates for new buildings built after these elevations are made final, and for the contents in these buildings.

The changes in base flood elevations are in accordance with 44 CFR 65.4.

**National Environmental Policy Act**

This rule is categorically excluded from the requirements of 44 CFR Part 10, Environmental Consideration. No environmental impact assessment has been prepared.

**Regulatory Flexibility Act**

The Associate Director for Mitigation certifies that this rule is exempt from the requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act because modified base flood elevations are required by the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, 42 U.S.C. 4105, and are required to maintain community eligibility in the NFIP. No regulatory flexibility analysis has been prepared.

**Regulatory Classification**

This final rule is not a significant regulatory action under the criteria of Section 3(f) of Executive Order 12866 of September 30, 1993, Regulatory Planning and Review, 58 FR 51735.

**Executive Order 12612, Federalism**

This rule involves no policies that have federalism implications under Executive Order 12612, Federalism, dated October 26, 1987.

**Executive Order 12778, Civil Justice Reform**

This rule meets the applicable standards of Section 2(b)(2) of Executive Order 12778.

**List of Subjects in 44 CFR Part 65**

Flood insurance, Floodplains, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Accordingly, 44 CFR Part 65 is amended to read as follows:

**PART 65—[AMENDED]**

1. The authority citation for Part 65 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 42 U.S.C. 4001 *et seq.*; Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1978, 3 CFR,