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Executive Order 13132, Federalism. This interim rule involves no policies that have federalism implications under Executive Order 13132, Federalism.

Executive Order 12988, Civil Justice Reform. This interim rule meets the applicable standards of Executive Order 12988.

List of Subjects in 44 CFR Part 65

Flood insurance, Floodplains, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

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PART 65—[AMENDED]

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


§ 65.4 [Amended]

2. The tables published under the authority of § 65.4 are amended as follows:

[Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 97.022, "Flood Insurance.")

Dated: March 26, 2010.

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