610). As part of this review, EPA will consider and solicit comments on the following factors: (1) The continued need for the rule; (2) the nature of complaints or comments received concerning the rule; (3) the complexity of the rule; (4) the extent to which the rule overlaps, duplicates, or conflicts with other Federal, State, or local government rules; and (5) the degree to which the technology, economic conditions or other factors have changed in the area affected by the rule.

Comments must be received within 60 days of this notice. In submitting comments, please reference Docket ID EPA–HQ–OAR–2012–0313 and follow the instructions provided in the ADDRESSES section of this document. The results of EPA’s review will be summarized in a report and placed in the rulemaking docket referenced above. This docket can be accessed at www.regulations.gov.


The EPA promulgated NESHAP for reinforced plastic composites production (68 FR 19375) on April 21, 2003. The final rule (40 CFR part 63, subpart WWWW) includes standards for both new and existing sources of hazardous air pollutants (HAP), as well as monitoring, performance testing, recordkeeping, and reporting requirements related to those standards. The NESHAP regulate production and ancillary processes used to manufacture products with thermoset resins and gel coats. The final standards contain a HAP emissions threshold that distinguishes between sources that typically can meet the HAP emissions limits using pollution prevention, and those that must use add-on controls. Based on SBA size definitions and reported sales and employment data, we identified 279 of the 357 companies owning reinforced plastic composites facilities as small businesses. We also performed an economic impact analysis (EIA) that indicated that 12 percent of facilities owned by small business were at risk of closure because of the final rule, and a SBREFA panel recommended that EPA provide special flexibility to these companies.

Provisions to reduce the adverse impact on small business, including minimized reporting and recordkeeping requirements and establishing separate floors for specialty products, were incorporated into the final rule. This ensures that EPA will review this action pursuant to section 610 of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 610). As part of this review, EPA will consider and solicit comments on the following factors: (1) The continued need for the rule; (2) the nature of complaints or comments received concerning the rule; (3) the complexity of the rule; (4) the extent to which the rule overlaps, duplicates, or conflicts with other Federal, State, or local government rules; and (5) the degree to which the technology, economic conditions or other factors have changed in the area affected by the rule.

Comments must be received within 60 days of this notice. In submitting comments, please reference Docket ID EPA–HQ–OAR–2012–0816 and follow the instructions provided in the ADDRESSES section of this document. The results of EPA’s review will be summarized in a report and placed in the rulemaking docket referenced above. This docket can be accessed at www.regulations.gov.

IV. Section 610 Review of National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit Regulation and Effluent Limitations Guidelines Standards for Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations (CAFOs)

The EPA promulgated revised regulations for CAFOs on February 12, 2003 (68 FR 7175). The “2003 CAFO Rule” expanded the number of operations covered by the CAFO regulations and included requirements to address the land application of manure from CAFOs. The 2003 CAFO Rule required all CAFOs to seek NPDES permit coverage. The EPA developed a Final Regulatory Flexibility Analysis (FRFA) for the 2003 CAFO Rule. In the 2003 CAFO Rule, the EPA took several steps to minimize its impacts on small businesses, including regulatory revisions designed to focus on the largest producers, eliminating the “mixed” animal calculation for operations with more than a single animal type for determining which AFOS are CAFOs, raising the duck threshold for dry manure handling duck operations, and adopting a dry-litter chicken threshold higher than proposed.

Subsequently, a series of court decisions based on legal challenges to the rulemaking have limited the right to NPDES permit coverage specifically to CAFOs that discharge. In response to these court decisions, the EPA made revisions to the CAFO regulations in 2006 (73 FR 70418) and 2012 (77 FR 44494). In promulgating the 2008 regulatory revision, the EPA certified that the 2008 rule would not have a significant adverse economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. In promulgating the 2012 regulatory revision, the 2012 rule was not subject to the RFA because the RFA applies only to rules subject to notice and comment rulemaking requirements under the Administrative Procedure Act (APA) or any other statute, and the 2012 rule was not subject to notice and comment requirements. Both rules reduced the potential impact of the EPA’s CAFO regulations on small entities by reducing the universe of CAFOs that must apply for NPDES permits. This notice announces that EPA will review this action pursuant to section 610 of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 610). As part of this review, EPA will consider and solicit comments on the following factors: (1) The continued need for the rule; (2) the nature of complaints or comments received concerning the rule; (3) the complexity of the rule; (4) the extent to which the rule overlaps, duplicates, or conflicts with other Federal, State, or local government rules; and (5) the degree to which the technology, economic conditions or other factors have changed in the area affected by the rule.

Comments must be received within 60 days of this notice. In submitting comments, please reference Docket ID EPA–HQ–OAR–2012–0813 and follow the instructions provided in the ADDRESSES section of this document. The results of EPA’s review will be summarized in a report and placed in the rulemaking docket referenced above. This docket can be accessed at www.regulations.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

44 CFR Part 67


Proposed Flood Elevation Determinations for the Unincorporated Areas of Robeson County, NC

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Proposed rule; withdrawal.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is withdrawing its proposed rule.
concerning proposed flood elevation determinations for the Unincorporated Areas of Robeson County, North Carolina.

DATES: This withdrawal is effective on October 31, 2012.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On January 20, 2011, FEMA published a proposed rulemaking at 76 FR 3590, proposing flood elevation determinations along one or more flooding sources in Robeson County, North Carolina. FEMA is withdrawing the proposed rulemaking and intends to publish a Notice of Proposed Flood Hazard Determinations in the Federal Register and a notice in the affected community’s local newspaper following issuance of a revised preliminary Flood Insurance Rate Map and Flood Insurance Study report.

Dated: September 27, 2012.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
Federal Emergency Management Agency

44 CFR Part 67
[Docket ID FEMA–2011–0002; Internal Agency Docket No. FEMA–B–1223]

Proposed Flood Elevation Determinations for Montgomery County, Alabama and Incorporated Areas

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Proposed rule; withdrawal.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is withdrawing its proposed rule concerning proposed flood elevation determinations for Montgomery County, Alabama and Incorporated Areas.

DATES: This withdrawal is effective on November 5, 2012.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On November 14, 2011, FEMA published a proposed rulemaking at 76 FR 70386, proposing flood elevation determinations along one or more flooding sources in Montgomery County, Alabama. FEMA is withdrawing the proposed rulemaking and intends to publish a Notice of Proposed Flood Hazard Determinations in the Federal Register and a notice in the affected community’s local newspaper following issuance of a revised preliminary Flood Insurance Rate Map and Flood Insurance Study report.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 679
[Docket No. 120416009–2548–01 ]

RIN 0648–BB78
Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Revisions to IFQ Program Regulations

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Proposed rule; request for comments.

SUMMARY: NMFS proposes a regulatory amendment to the vessel ownership requirement of the Individual Fishing Quota (IFQ) Program for fixed-gear Pacific halibut and sablefish fisheries in and off of Alaska. The IFQ Program requires that initial recipients of certain classes of quota shares own a minimum of 20-percent interest in any vessel on which they hire a master to fish their IFQ permits. This action proposes to require such quota share holders to have held a minimum of 20-percent ownership interest in the vessel for at least 12 consecutive months prior to the submission of any application to hire a master. This proposed action also would temporarily exempt from the 12-month ownership requirement an initial recipient whose vessel has been totally lost, as by sinking or fire, or so damaged that the vessel would require at least 60 days to be repaired. This action is necessary to maintain a predominantly owner-operated fishery. This action is intended to promote the goals and objectives of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, the Northern Pacific Halibut Act of 1982, the Fishery Management Plan for Groundfish of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area, the Fishery Management Plan for Groundfish of the Gulf of Alaska, and other applicable laws.

DATES: Comments on the proposed rule and supporting documents must be received by November 30, 2012.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments on this document, identified by FDMS Docket Number NOAA–NMFS–2011–0300, by any one of the following methods:

• Electronic Submission: Submit all electronic public comments via the Federal e-Rulemaking Portal at www.regulations.gov. To submit comments via the e-Rulemaking Portal,