

NOTES TO USERS

This map is for use in administering the National Flood Insurance Program. It does not necessarily identify all areas subject to flooding, particularly from local drainage sources of small size. The community map repository should be consulted for possible updates to this information.

To obtain detailed information on areas where Base Flood Elevations (BFE) and/or Roadways have been determined, users are encouraged to consult the Flood Profiles and Floodway Data and/or Summary of Silvwater Elevations tables contained within the Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report that determines the BFEs and/or elevations shown on this map. BFEs and/or FIRM represent rounded whole-foot elevations. These BFEs are needed for flood insurance rating purposes only and should not be used as the sole source of flood elevation information. BFEs and/or elevations shown on this map are not to be used or utilized in conjunction with the FIRM for purposes of construction and/or floodplain management.

Coastal Base Flood Elevations shown on this map apply only to landward of 60' North American Vertical Datum (NAVD 88). Coastal FIRM and Flood Insurance Study (FIS) reports for adjacent elevations are also provided in the Summary of Silvwater Elevations table in the Flood Insurance Study for this jurisdiction. Elevations shown in the Summary of Silvwater Elevations table should be used for coastal floodplain management purposes when they are higher than the elevations shown on this FIRM.

Boundaries of the roadways were computed at cross sections and interpolated between cross sections. The roadways were based on hydrologic considerations with regard to requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program. Roadway and/or bridge elevation and roadway data are provided in the Flood Insurance Study report for this jurisdiction.

Certain areas not in Special Flood Hazard Areas may be protected by flood control structures. Refer to Section 2.4 "Flood Protection Measures" of the Flood Insurance Study report for information on flood control structures in this jurisdiction.

The projection used in the preparation of this map was New Mexico State Plane Central (FIPS 3022). The horizontal datum was NAD 1983 (NAVD 88) and the vertical datum was North American Vertical Datum of 1988 (NAVD 88). These differences used in the production of FIRMs for adjacent jurisdictions may result in slight positional differences in map features across jurisdiction boundaries. These differences are to be expected.

Flood elevations on this map are referenced to the North American Vertical Datum of 1988. These flood elevations must be compared to structure and ground elevations referenced to the same vertical datum. For information regarding conversion between the National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929 and the North American Vertical Datum of 1988, visit the National Geodetic Survey website at <http://www.ngs.noaa.gov> or contact the National Geodetic Survey at the following address:

NOAA/NESWTS
National Geodetic Survey, SSMC-3, #9202
1315 East-West Highway
Silver Spring, Maryland 20910-3282
(301) 734-8000

To obtain current elevation, description, and/or location information for bench marks shown on this map, please contact the Information Services Branch of the National Geodetic Survey at (301) 713-3242 or visit their website at <http://www.ngs.noaa.gov>.

Base map information shown on this FIRM was derived from multiple sources. Base map files were developed in a format normal for the community planning department of the County Surveyor's office or City of Los Lunas. This information was compiled from orthophotography and field reconnaissance. Additional information was compiled at scales of 1:6,000 and 1:12,000 from aerial photography and the 7.5 minute quadrangles with dates ranging from 1939 to 2006.

This map reflects more detailed and up-to-date stream channel configurations than those shown on the previous FIRM for this jurisdiction. The floodplain and floodways that were transferred from the previous FIRM have not been adjusted to reflect the more detailed stream channel configurations. As a result, the Flood Profiles and Floodway Data tables in the Flood Insurance Study report which contains automated hydrologic data may reflect stream channel distances that differ from what is shown on this map.

Corporate boundaries shown on this map are based on the best data available at the time of publication. Boundaries changed due to annexations or dis-annexations may have occurred after this map was published; map users should contact appropriate community officials to verify current corporate limit locations.

Please refer to the separately printed Map Index for an overview map of the county showing the layout of map panels, community map addresses, and a listing of the names of the communities and incorporated areas, inclusion dates for each community as well as a listing of the parishes on which each community is located.

Contact the FEMA Map Service Center at 1-800-338-9516 for information on available products associated with this FIRM. Other products may include previous versions of Map Index, a Flood Insurance Study, and/or digital versions of this map. The FEMA Map Service Center may also be reached by Fax at 1-800-356-9620 and their website at <http://www.msfc.fema.gov>.

If you have questions about this map or questions concerning the National Flood Insurance Program in general, please call 1-877-FEMA MAP (1-877-338-2627) or visit the FEMA website at <http://www.fema.gov>.

