

FEMA Case No. 19-09-1155A

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Mr. Tran,

As I explained on the phone, FEMA does not publish Base Flood Elevations (BFEs) on determinations except in denial and conditional cases. I can however explain how the BFE was determined in Case No. 19-09-1155A (copy attached). In Zone A areas, we use the best available data to determine the BFE. The West Consultants, Inc. study dated May 16, 2000 is the best available data for this area. The study shows this area as Zone AO with 1 foot depth. Therefore, we add 1 foot to the Highest Top of Curb (HTOC) elevation in order to determine the BFE. In Case No. 19-09-1155A, the certified HTOC elevation was 77.8 feet NAVD 88. Therefore, adding 1 foot to the HTOC would result in a BFE of 78.8 feet NAVD 88.

Please let me know if you have any additional questions.

Thanks,

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Federal Emergency Management Agency

Washington, D.C. 20472

LETTER OF MAP AMENDMENT DETERMINATION DOCUMENT (REMOVAL)

COMMUNITY AND MAP PANEL INFORMATION		LEGAL PROPERTY DESCRIPTION
COMMUNITY	CITY OF SANTA ANA, ORANGE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA	Lot 18, Tract No. 2731, as shown on the Plat recorded as Document No. 61693, in Book 115, Pages 30 and 31, in the Office of the Recorder, Orange County, California
	COMMUNITY NO.: 060232	
AFFECTED MAP PANEL	NUMBER: 06059C0143J	
	DATE: 12/3/2009	

FLOODING SOURCE: EAST GARDEN GROVE WINTERSBURG CHANNEL	APPROXIMATE LATITUDE & LONGITUDE OF PROPERTY:33.754967, -117.928448 SOURCE OF LAT & LONG: LOMA LOGIC DATUM: NAD 83
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DETERMINATION								
LOT	BLOCK/SECTION	SUBDIVISION	STREET	OUTCOME WHAT IS REMOVED FROM THE SFHA	FLOOD ZONE	1% ANNUAL CHANCE FLOOD ELEVATION (NAVD 88)	LOWEST ADJACENT GRADE ELEVATION (NAVD 88)	LOWEST LOT ELEVATION (NAVD 88)
18	—	Tract 2731	4417 West Oakfield Avenue	Structure (Residence)	X (shaded)	—	79.2 feet	--

Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) - The SFHA is an area that would be inundated by the flood having a 1-percent chance of being equaled or exceeded in any given year (base flood).

ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS (Please refer to the appropriate section on Attachment 1 for the additional considerations listed below.)

DETERMINATION TABLE (CONTINUED)

PORTIONS REMAIN IN THE SFHA

ZONE A

This document provides the Federal Emergency Management Agency's determination regarding a request for a Letter of Map Amendment for the property described above. Using the information submitted and the effective National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) map, we have determined that the structure(s) on the property(ies) is/are not located in the SFHA, an area inundated by the flood having a 1-percent chance of being equaled or exceeded in any given year (base flood). This document amends the effective NFIP map to remove the subject property from the SFHA located on the effective NFIP map; therefore, the Federal mandatory flood insurance requirement does not apply. However, the lender has the option to continue the flood insurance requirement to protect its financial risk on the loan. A Preferred Risk Policy (PRP) is available for buildings located outside the SFHA. Information about the PRP and how one can apply is enclosed.

This determination is based on the flood data presently available. The enclosed documents provide additional information regarding this determination. If you have any questions about this document, please contact the FEMA Map Information eXchange (FMIX) toll free at (877) 336-2627 (877-FEMA MAP) or by letter addressed to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Engineering Library, 3601 Eisenhower Ave Ste 500, Alexandria, VA 22304-6426.

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ATTACHMENT 1 (ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS)

DETERMINATION TABLE (CONTINUED)

LOT	BLOCK/ SECTION	SUBDIVISION	STREET	OUTCOME WHAT IS REMOVED FROM THE SFHA	FLOOD ZONE	1% ANNUAL CHANGE FLOOD ELEVATION (NAVD 88)	LOWEST ADJACENT GRADE ELEVATION (NAVD 88)	LOWEST LOT ELEVATION (NAVD 88)
18	--	Tract 2731	4417 West Oakfield Avenue	Structure (Shed)	X (shaded)	--	79.7 feet	--


PORTIONS OF THE PROPERTY REMAIN IN THE SFHA (This Additional Consideration applies to the preceding 2 Properties.)

Portions of this property, but not the subject of the Determination/Comment document, may remain in the Special Flood Hazard Area. Therefore, any future construction or substantial improvement on the property remains subject to Federal, State/Commonwealth, and local regulations for floodplain management.

ZONE A (This Additional Consideration applies to the preceding 2 Properties.)

The National Flood Insurance Program map affecting this property depicts a Special Flood Hazard Area that was determined using the best flood hazard data available to FEMA, but without performing a detailed engineering analysis. The flood elevation used to make this determination is based on approximate methods and has not been formalized through the standard process for establishing base flood elevations published in the Flood Insurance Study. This flood elevation is subject to change.

This attachment provides additional information regarding this request. If you have any questions about this attachment, please contact the FEMA Map Information eXchange (FMIX) toll free at (877) 336-2627 (877-FEMA MAP) or by letter addressed to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Engineering Library, 3601 Eisenhower Ave Ste 500, Alexandria, VA 22304-6426.


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ELEVATION CERTIFICATE

Important: Follow the instructions on pages 1-9.

Copy all pages of this Elevation Certificate and all attachments for (1) community official, (2) insurance agent/company, and (3) building owner.

SECTION A - PROPERTY INFORMATION				FOR INSURANCE COMPANY USE	
A1. Building Owner's Name Nhue Luong				Policy Number:	
A2. Building Street Address (including Apt., Unit, Suite, and/or Bldg. No.) or P.O. Route and Box No. 4417 W. Oakfield Ave (New Detached ADU)				Company NAIC Number:	
City Santa Ana		State California		ZIP Code 92703	
A3. Property Description (Lot and Block Numbers, Tax Parcel Number, Legal Description, etc.) Lot 18, Tract 2731, Parcel No. 198-323-09					
A4. Building Use (e.g., Residential, Non-Residential, Addition, Accessory, etc.) <u>Residential</u>					
A5. Latitude/Longitude: Lat. <u>33.75511°</u> Long. <u>-117.92846°</u> Horizontal Datum: <input type="checkbox"/> NAD 1927 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NAD 1983					
A6. Attach at least 2 photographs of the building if the Certificate is being used to obtain flood insurance.					
A7. Building Diagram Number <u>1B</u>					
A8. For a building with a crawlspace or enclosure(s):					
a) Square footage of crawlspace or enclosure(s) _____ sq ft					
b) Number of permanent flood openings in the crawlspace or enclosure(s) within 1.0 foot above adjacent grade _____					
c) Total net area of flood openings in A8.b _____ sq in					
d) Engineered flood openings? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No					
A9. For a building with an attached garage:					
a) Square footage of attached garage _____ sq ft					
b) Number of permanent flood openings in the attached garage within 1.0 foot above adjacent grade _____					
c) Total net area of flood openings in A9.b _____ sq in					
d) Engineered flood openings? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No					
SECTION B - FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP (FIRM) INFORMATION					
B1. NFIP Community Name & Community Number City of Santa Ana, 060232			B2. County Name Orange		B3. State California
B4. Map/Panel Number 06059C0143J	B5. Suffix J	B6. FIRM Index Date 09-15-1989	B7. FIRM Panel Effective/ Revised Date 12-03-2009	B8. Flood Zone(s) A	B9. Base Flood Elevation(s) (Zone AO, use Base Flood Depth) N/A
B10. Indicate the source of the Base Flood Elevation (BFE) data or base flood depth entered in Item B9: <input type="checkbox"/> FIS Profile <input type="checkbox"/> FIRM <input type="checkbox"/> Community Determined <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other/Source: <u>N/A</u>					
B11. Indicate elevation datum used for BFE in Item B9: <input type="checkbox"/> NGVD 1929 <input type="checkbox"/> NAVD 1988 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other/Source: <u>N/A</u>					
B12. Is the building located in a Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) area or Otherwise Protected Area (OPA)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Designation Date: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> CBRS <input type="checkbox"/> OPA					

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City Santa Ana	State California	ZIP Code 92703	Company NAIC Number

SECTION C – BUILDING ELEVATION INFORMATION (SURVEY REQUIRED)

C1. Building elevations are based on: ☒ Construction Drawings* ☐ Building Under Construction* ☐ Finished Construction
*A new Elevation Certificate will be required when construction of the building is complete.

C2. Elevations – Zones A1–A30, AE, AH, A (with BFE), VE, V1–V30, V (with BFE), AR, AR/A, AR/AE, AR/A1–A30, AR/AH, AR/AO. Complete Items C2.a–h below according to the building diagram specified in Item A7. In Puerto Rico only, enter meters.

Benchmark Utilized: SA-226-70 (74.189 ft, 2005) Vertical Datum: NAVD 88 (OCS 1995 Adjustment)

Indicate elevation datum used for the elevations in items a) through h) below.

☐ NGVD 1929 ☒ NAVD 1988 ☐ Other/Source: _____

Datum used for building elevations must be the same as that used for the BFE.

Check the measurement used.

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|---|-------|--|---------------------------------|
| a) Top of bottom floor (including basement, crawlspace, or enclosure floor) | 81.83 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> feet | <input type="checkbox"/> meters |
| b) Top of the next higher floor | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> feet | <input type="checkbox"/> meters |
| c) Bottom of the lowest horizontal structural member (V Zones only) | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> feet | <input type="checkbox"/> meters |
| d) Attached garage (top of slab) | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> feet | <input type="checkbox"/> meters |
| e) Lowest elevation of machinery or equipment servicing the building
(Describe type of equipment and location in Comments) | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> feet | <input type="checkbox"/> meters |
| f) Lowest adjacent (finished) grade next to building (LAG) | 79.37 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> feet | <input type="checkbox"/> meters |
| g) Highest adjacent (finished) grade next to building (HAG) | 81.16 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> feet | <input type="checkbox"/> meters |
| h) Lowest adjacent grade at lowest elevation of deck or stairs, including structural support | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> feet | <input type="checkbox"/> meters |

SECTION D – SURVEYOR, ENGINEER, OR ARCHITECT CERTIFICATION

This certification is to be signed and sealed by a land surveyor, engineer, or architect authorized by law to certify elevation information. I certify that the information on this Certificate represents my best efforts to interpret the data available. I understand that any false statement may be punishable by fine or imprisonment under 18 U.S. Code, Section 1001.

Were latitude and longitude in Section A provided by a licensed land surveyor? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Check here if attachments.

Certifier's Name Brandon Tran	License Number C 58283
Title Civil Engineer	
Company Name	
Address 9191 Bolsa Ave, Suite 120, PMB 167	
City Westminster	State California
	ZIP Code 92683
Signature <i>Brandon Tran</i>	Date 03-23-2021
	Telephone (714) 414-5701
	Ext.




Copy all pages of this Elevation Certificate and all attachments for (1) community official, (2) insurance agent/company, and (3) building owner.

Comments (including type of equipment and location, per C2(e), if applicable)

BFE = 78.8 ft (See attachment)

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City Santa Ana	State California	ZIP Code 92703	Company NAIC Number	
SECTION E – BUILDING ELEVATION INFORMATION (SURVEY NOT REQUIRED) FOR ZONE AO AND ZONE A (WITHOUT BFE)				
<p>For Zones AO and A (without BFE), complete Items E1–E5. If the Certificate is intended to support a LOMA or LOMR-F request, complete Sections A, B, and C. For Items E1–E4, use natural grade, if available. Check the measurement used. In Puerto Rico only, enter meters.</p> <p>E1. Provide elevation information for the following and check the appropriate boxes to show whether the elevation is above or below the highest adjacent grade (HAG) and the lowest adjacent grade (LAG):</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">a) Top of bottom floor (including basement, crawlspace, or enclosure) is _____ <input type="checkbox"/> feet <input type="checkbox"/> meters <input type="checkbox"/> above or <input type="checkbox"/> below the HAG.</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">b) Top of bottom floor (including basement, crawlspace, or enclosure) is _____ <input type="checkbox"/> feet <input type="checkbox"/> meters <input type="checkbox"/> above or <input type="checkbox"/> below the LAG.</p> <p>E2. For Building Diagrams 6–9 with permanent flood openings provided in Section A Items 8 and/or 9 (see pages 1–2 of Instructions), the next higher floor (elevation C2.b in the diagrams) of the building is _____ <input type="checkbox"/> feet <input type="checkbox"/> meters <input type="checkbox"/> above or <input type="checkbox"/> below the HAG.</p> <p>E3. Attached garage (top of slab) is _____ <input type="checkbox"/> feet <input type="checkbox"/> meters <input type="checkbox"/> above or <input type="checkbox"/> below the HAG.</p> <p>E4. Top of platform of machinery and/or equipment servicing the building is _____ <input type="checkbox"/> feet <input type="checkbox"/> meters <input type="checkbox"/> above or <input type="checkbox"/> below the HAG.</p> <p>E5. Zone AO only: If no flood depth number is available, is the top of the bottom floor elevated in accordance with the community's floodplain management ordinance? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown. The local official must certify this information in Section G.</p>				
SECTION F – PROPERTY OWNER (OR OWNER'S REPRESENTATIVE) CERTIFICATION				
<p>The property owner or owner's authorized representative who completes Sections A, B, and E for Zone A (without a FEMA-issued or community-issued BFE) or Zone AO must sign here. The statements in Sections A, B, and E are correct to the best of my knowledge.</p>				
Property Owner or Owner's Authorized Representative's Name Brandon Tran				
Address 9191 Bolsa Ave, Suite 120, PMB 167	City Westminster	State California	ZIP Code 92683	
Signature 	Date 03-23-2021	Telephone (714) 414-5701		
Comments				
<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if attachments.				

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City Santa Ana	State California	ZIP Code 92703	Company NAIC Number	
SECTION G – COMMUNITY INFORMATION (OPTIONAL)				
The local official who is authorized by law or ordinance to administer the community's floodplain management ordinance can complete Sections A, B, C (or E), and G of this Elevation Certificate. Complete the applicable item(s) and sign below. Check the measurement used in Items G8–G10. In Puerto Rico only, enter meters.				
G1. <input type="checkbox"/> The information in Section C was taken from other documentation that has been signed and sealed by a licensed surveyor, engineer, or architect who is authorized by law to certify elevation information. (Indicate the source and date of the elevation data in the Comments area below.)				
G2. <input type="checkbox"/> A community official completed Section E for a building located in Zone A (without a FEMA-issued or community-issued BFE) or Zone AO.				
G3. <input type="checkbox"/> The following information (Items G4–G10) is provided for community floodplain management purposes.				
G4. Permit Number		G5. Date Permit Issued		G6. Date Certificate of Compliance/Occupancy Issued
G7. This permit has been issued for: <input type="checkbox"/> New Construction <input type="checkbox"/> Substantial Improvement				
G8. Elevation of as-built lowest floor (including basement) of the building: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> feet <input type="checkbox"/> meters Datum _____				
G9. BFE or (in Zone AO) depth of flooding at the building site: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> feet <input type="checkbox"/> meters Datum _____				
G10. Community's design flood elevation: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> feet <input type="checkbox"/> meters Datum _____				
Local Official's Name		Title		
Community Name		Telephone		
Signature		Date		
Comments (including type of equipment and location, per C2(e), if applicable)				
<div style="text-align: right;"><input type="checkbox"/> Check here if attachments.</div>				

BUILDING PHOTOGRAPHS

See Instructions for Item A6.

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City Santa Ana	State California	ZIP Code 92703	Company NAIC Number
<p>If using the Elevation Certificate to obtain NFIP flood insurance, affix at least 2 building photographs below according to the instructions for Item A6. Identify all photographs with date taken; "Front View" and "Rear View"; and, if required, "Right Side View" and "Left Side View." When applicable, photographs must show the foundation with representative examples of the flood openings or vents, as indicated in Section A8. If submitting more photographs than will fit on this page, use the Continuation Page.</p>			
<p>Photo One</p>			
Photo One			Clear Photo One
<p>Photo Two</p>			
Photo Two			Clear Photo Two

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<p>If submitting more photographs than will fit on the preceding page, affix the additional photographs below. Identify all photographs with: date taken; "Front View" and "Rear View"; and, if required, "Right Side View" and "Left Side View." When applicable, photographs must show the foundation with representative examples of the flood openings or vents, as indicated in Section A8.</p>			
Photo Three			
Photo Three			Clear Photo Three
Photo Three Caption			
Photo Four			
Photo Four			Clear Photo Four
Photo Four Caption			