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IN REPLY REFER TO: COMMENT ACK

May 8, 2017

Mr. Dave Cliff
City Manager
Building Division
City of Newport Beach
100 Civic Center Drive
Newport Beach, CA 92660

Case No: 12-09-1324S
Community: City of Newport Beach, California
Community No: 060227

RE: California Coastal Analysis and Mapping Project / Open Pacific Coast Study

Dear Mr. Cliff:

This letter acknowledges receipt of a letter dated April 12, 2017 from you regarding the Preliminary Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) and Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report for the City of Newport Beach, dated August 15, 2016. Your letter requests changes to the coastal floodplain mapping in the vicinity of Newport Bay and the Newport coast.

Please note that the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) considers appeals as only those submittals that relate to the addition or modification of flood hazard information (i.e., Base Flood Elevations, base flood depths, Special Flood Hazard Area boundaries, zone designations, or regulatory floodways) and that satisfy the data requirements defined in Title 44, Chapter I, Part 67 of the Code of Federal Regulations. Because the data submitted in support of the requested changes do not meet these criteria, FEMA refers to the submittal as a 'comment.'

FEMA will evaluate the issues raised in the referenced letter and the submitted data. If additional data or information are required to resolve the comments, FEMA will contact your community. If you have additional questions, please contact Ed Curtis of our FEMA staff in Oakland, California, either by telephone at (510) 627-7207 or by e-mail at Edward.Curtis@fema.dhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Juliette Hayes, Chief
Risk Analysis Branch
FEMA Region IX