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Dear Mr. Stunson:

Congratulations! The Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), has determined City of Oakland Park will increase to a Class 7 in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS). The floodplain management activities implemented by your community qualifies it for a fifteen percent discount in the premium cost of flood insurance for NFIP policies issued or renewed in Special Flood Hazard Areas on or after October 1, 2009. This increase is based on a field verification of your five-year cycle CRS application.

Please note Preferred Risk Policies, applicable in Zones B, C, and X, are not eligible for the CRS discount. Standard rated flood insurance policies in Zones B, C, X, D, AR, and A99 are limited to a CRS discount of ten percent in Class 1-6 communities and five percent in Class 7-9 communities. The rates for these zones already reflect significant premium reductions. The CRS discount is applied before the addition of the Federal Policy Fee.

If there are no NFIP noncompliance actions, the CRS rating for your community will automatically be renewed annually and a notification letter will not be sent to your community. This renewal will occur as long as your community continues to implement the CRS activities you certify each October. If no additional modifications or new CRS activities are added, the next verification visit for your community will be in accordance with its established five-year cycle or three-year cycle for CRS Class 5 or better communities. In the interim, FEMA will periodically send the "NFIP/CRS Update" newsletter and other notices to your CRS Coordinator to keep your community informed.

I commend you on your community actions and your determination to lead your community to be more disaster resistant. This commitment enhances public safety and property protection and protects the natural functions of floodplains as well as reduces flood insurance premiums.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact FEMA Region IV, CRS Coordinator, Robert Durrin, by telephone at (770) 220-5428.

Sincerely,

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Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator
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Enclosure

cc: Richard A. Buckeye, CRS Coordinator

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COMMUNITY
RATING
SYSTEM

VERIFICATION
REPORT

City of Oakland Park, FL

Verified Class 7

NFIP Number: 120050

Cycle

Date of Verification Visit: November 13, 2008

This Verification Report is provided to explain the recommendations of Insurance Services Office, Inc. (ISO) to DHS/FEMA concerning credits under the Community Rating System (CRS) for the above named community.

A total of 1642 credit points are verified which results in a recommendation that the community be improve from a CRS Class 8 to a CRS Class 7. The community has met the Class 7 prerequisite with a Building Code Effectiveness Grading Schedule (BCEGS) Classification of 3/3. The following is a summary of our findings with the total CRS credit points for each activity listed in parenthesis:

Activity 310 – Elevation Certificates: The Building Department maintains elevation certificates for new and substantially improved buildings. Copies of elevation certificates are made available upon request. Elevation Certificates, plans, regulations and other records are maintained in a secure location away from the permit office. (66 points)

Activity 320 – Map Information Service: Credit is provided for furnishing inquirers with flood zone information from the community's latest Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM), publicizing the service annually and maintaining records. (140 points)

Activity 330 – Outreach Projects: A community brochure is mailed to all properties in the community on an annual basis. An outreach brochure is mailed annually to all properties in the community's Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA). Additionally, information on floods is provided in the phone book. (160 points)

Activity 350 – Flood Protection Information: Documents relating to floodplain management are available in the reference section of the Broward County Library. Credit is also provided for floodplain information displayed on the community's website. (78 points)

Activity 360 – Flood Protection Assistance: The community provides technical advice and assistance to interested property owners and annually publicizes the service. (52 points)

Activity 410 – Additional Flood Data: Credit is provided for a cooperating technical partnership agreement with FEMA. (12 points)

Activity 420 – Open Space Preservation: Credit is provided for preserving a minimum of 5 acres in the SFHA as open space. Credit is also provided for open space land that is deed restricted and preserved in a natural state. (66 points)

Activity 430 – Higher Regulatory Standards: Credit is provided for enforcing regulations that require freeboard for new and substantial improvement construction, higher regulatory standards and state mandated regulatory standards. Credit is also provided for a Building Code Effectiveness Grading Schedule (BCEGS) Classification of 3/3. (305 points)

Activity 440 – Flood Data Maintenance: Credit is provided for maintaining and using digitized maps, overlay maps and parcel records in the day to day management of the floodplain. (131 points)

Activity 450 – Stormwater Management: The community enforces regulations for stormwater management, freeboard in non-SFHA zones, soil and erosion control, and water quality. Credit is also provided for stormwater management master planning. (135 points)

Activity 510 – Floodplain Management Planning: Based on the updates made to the NFIP Report of Repetitive Losses as of June 30, 2008, the City of Oakland Park has 21 repetitive loss properties and is a Category C community for CRS purposes. All requirements for the 2009 cycle have been met. Credit is provided for the adoption and implementation of the Floodplain Management Plan. Since the City of Oakland Park is a Category C community with an approved Floodplain Management Plan, a progress report must be submitted on an annual basis. (70 points)

Activity 540 – Drainage System Maintenance: A portion of the community's drainage system is inspected regularly throughout the year and maintenance is performed as needed by the City of Oakland Park Public Works Department. Records are being maintained for both inspections and required maintenance. Credit is also provided for an ongoing Capital Improvements Program. The community also enforces a regulation prohibiting dumping in the drainage system. (225 points)

Activity 610 – Flood Warning Program: Credit is provided for a program that provides timely identification of impending flood threats, disseminates warnings to appropriate floodplain residents, and coordinates flood response activities. (130 points)

Activity 630 – Dam Safety: All Florida communities currently receive CRS credit for the state's dam safety program. (72 points)

Attached is the Community Calculations Worksheet that lists the verified credit points for the Community Rating System.

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Date Report Prepared: March 9, 2009

Community : City of Oakland Park, FL

NFIP Number : 120050

720 COMMUNITY CREDIT CALCULATIONS (Cycle):

CALCULATION SECTION :

Verified Activity Calculations:

					Credit
c310	<u>66</u>				<u>66</u>
c320	<u>140</u>				<u>140</u>
c330	<u>160</u>				<u>160</u>
c340					
c350	<u>78</u>				<u>78</u>
c360	<u>52</u>				<u>52</u>
c410	<u>10</u>	x CGA	<u>1.22</u>	=	<u>12</u>
c420	<u>54</u>	x CGA	<u>1.22</u>	=	<u>66</u>
c430	<u>250</u>	x CGA	<u>1.22</u>	=	<u>305</u>
c440	<u>107</u>	x CGA	<u>1.22</u>	=	<u>131</u>
c450	<u>111</u>	x CGA	<u>1.22</u>	=	<u>135</u>
c510	<u>70</u>				<u>70</u>
c520					
c530					
c540	<u>225</u>				<u>225</u>
c610	<u>130</u>				<u>130</u>
c620					
c630	<u>72</u>				<u>72</u>

722 Community Classification Calculation:

cT = total of above

cT = 1642

Community Classification (from Appendix C):

Class = 7

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