

Letter of Map Amendment (LOMA) Revalidation Statuses

What do the LOMA revalidation statuses and colors in the National Flood Hazard Layer (NFHL) Viewer mean?

The LOMA point locations in the NFHL Viewer now included revalidation statuses (where applicable). Those revalidation statuses are:

- **Valid (Purple):** This LOMA is current with the latest FIRM panel, has not been revalidated, and remains valid. It has “*No Revalidation Status*” or was “*Not Incorporated*” into an update for the county or community.
 - **Incorporated (Pink):** This LOMA is no longer valid. The modifications affected by this Letter of Map Change (LOMC) have been incorporated into a revised FIRM panel. *Note: This status is rare as most amendments are not mappable.*
 - **Contact Community for Revalidation Status (Brown):** This LOMA went into effect before the current FIRM went into effect and does not yet have a revalidation status. Please contact the local community official for more information
 - **Reevaluation Needed (Orange):** This LOMA includes multiple lots or structures, and some or all require new determinations to be made. Therefore, it cannot be revalidated. Please contact the local community official for more information.
 - **Superseded (Gray):** This LOMA has not been incorporated into the revised FIRM because:
 - it is being superseded by new or revised flood hazard data
- OR
- the information available was not sufficient to make a determination

The possible reasons each may be superseded include:

1. Insufficient information available to make a determination
2. Lower Adjacent Grade and Lower Finished Floor are below the proposed Base Flood Elevation (BFE)
3. Lower Found Elevation is below the proposed Base Flood Elevation
4. Revised hydrologic and hydraulic analyses
5. Revised topographic information
6. Superseded by another LOMC



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LOMA Point Locations

LOMA point locations, as shown on the NFHL Viewer, are *approximate*. The exact official location of the LOMA can be found in the legal property description on the LOMA Determination Document. See Figure 1: LOMA Determination Document below.


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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 RICHMOND, INDEPENDENT CITY, VIRGINIA	Lot 41, Block Q, Oxford, Section B, as described in the Special Warranty Deed recorded as Instrument No. 170020141, in the Office of the City Clerk, City of Richmond, Virginia		
	COMMUNITY NO.: 510129			
AFFECTED MAP PANEL	NUMBER: 5101290016D			
	DATE: 4/2/2009			
FLOODING SOURCE: RATTLESNAKE CREEK		APPROXIMATE LATITUDE & LONGITUDE OF PROPERTY: 37.544395, -77.544647 SOURCE OF LAT & LONG: LOMA LOGIC DATUM: NAD 83		

Figure 1. LOMA Determination Document

Where can I find the LOMA point location with revalidation statuses?

The best place to access the LOMA point location is through the [NFHL Viewer](#). For more information on the NHFL database, please see the [NHFL web page](#) on fema.gov.

Geographic Information Systems (GIS) users may import an NFHL GIS service with the LOMA point data directly into their GIS desktop client or web application. Additional information on available services may be found on the [FEMA GIS Services Page](#).

LOMA data users may directly download the zip file containing the LOMA shapefiles and metadata, which is updated nightly, at [LOMA Point Shapefile](#).

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The LOMA Database

The LOMA database may include LOMAs that are no longer effective. To be certain a particular LOMA is currently valid, please check the relevant documentation on the [FEMA Map Service Center](#).

Relevant documents can be found for an individual community by choosing “Search All Products”, selecting the appropriate State and then appropriate County. Relevant documents may include: LOMAs found in the “Effective Products” and “LOMC” folders, as well as revalidations.

Users may also want to contact the local community official for additional information.

FEMA Map Service (MSC)

To view flood maps and data, access a range of other flood hazard products, and take advantage of tools for better understanding flood risk, visit the [FEMA Map Service Center](#).

FEMA Mapping and Insurance eXchange (FMIX)

For questions on LOMA data, contact:

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