



**CITY OF PLANTATION
ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM NO. 2013-038**

DATE: September 25, 2013

TO: Mayor and Members of City Council

FROM: Brett W. Butler, PE, CFM
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SUBJECT: CRS Program Activity 510 – Repetitive Loss Area Analysis (RLAA)
Annual Progress Report for the Period 10/1/12-9/30/13

I. Background

The City of Plantation, through its consultant Hazen and Sawyer, developed a Repetitive Loss Area Analysis (RLAA) dated October 17, 2007 to address the 12 repetitive loss properties identified through the 2006 CRS 5-year cycle verification. Investigation of the 12 RL properties revealed that the City did not have area-wide flooding. Rather, the flood claims for each of the 12 RL properties were found to either be unrelated to flooding or were instances of flooding generated by conditions restricted to within the respective property boundaries. The RLAA was approved by Brett Butler, City Engineer/CRS Coordinator/Flood Plain Manager, the community department official designated for said purpose.

The RLAA was submitted during the 2008 annual CRS re-certification, which resulted in having eight of the properties removed from the Repetitive Loss List for Plantation. However, the City was not issued CRS credit for the RLAA. The City applied for and received CRS credit under Activity 510 - RLAA during the 2011 5-year cycle verification. The credit points awarded for this activity assisted the City in achieving a class change. On May 1, 2012 FEMA formally changed the City of Plantation from a Class 7 to a Class 6 CRS community. Policy holders in SFHA areas of Plantation are now entitled to a 20% discount on their flood insurance policy, up from the previous 15% discount at the former Class 7.

In order to retain CRS credit for Activity 510 RLAA, the City must prepare an annual progress report. This memorandum shall serve as the City of Plantation's annual progress report for the period October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2013.

II. Annual Report Preparation, Distribution and Availability

This annual report is prepared by Brett W. Butler, the City of Plantation Engineering Department City Engineer/CRS Coordinator/Floodplain Manager. The annual report has been distributed to the local media via the Plantation Forum newspaper and the State of Florida National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Coordinator's Office through electronic mail and is currently available to the public for viewing through the City of Plantation web site. The reader may obtain a copy

of the annual report by electronic file download off the City of Plantation web site or by visiting the City Clerk's Office.

III. RLAA Action Items

The City continues to perform outreach activities annually on the four remaining RL properties with the goal of seeing the individual property owners implement improvements to resolve the respective property-specific issues that keep these properties on the RL Property List. Following is a brief synopsis on each of the four RL properties:

1. 4360 NW 3rd Place – Lamar

The City is certain that roof leak(s) are the source of the water damage in the two easterly bedrooms, as reflected in the RLAA. Through personal conversation with the property owner, the City has an understanding that the owner is experiencing some economic hardship, and to date, does not have the financial resources to address the roof. There are no grant resources available to assist the owner. The City will remain in communication with the owner through annual outreach to verify if his circumstances have changed and if he has addressed the roof. In light of the results of the RLAA investigation on this property confirming that water damage was not the result of flooding, the City respectfully requests FEMA reconsider this property for removal from the RL Properties list for Plantation.

2. 9898 NW 2nd Court – Daniels

The RLAA investigation confirmed that only one of the two claims for water damage was the result of flooding specifically localized to within the boundary of the property itself. The City has offered suggestions to the owner on how to correct the remaining water intrusion issue and performs annual outreach accordingly. To date, the owner has not taken steps to implement corrective measures. In light of the results of the RLAA investigation on this property confirming that only one of the two claims was related to flooding, the City respectfully requests FEMA reconsider this property for removal from the RL Properties list for Plantation.

3. 10305 NW 7th Street – Mohamed

The RLAA investigation confirmed that claims for water damage was the result of flooding localized to within the boundary of the property itself. The City has offered suggestions to the owner on how to correct the remaining water intrusion issue and performs annual outreach accordingly. To date, the owner has not taken steps to implement corrective measures.

4. 530 NW 78th Way – Carrenard

The RLAA investigation confirmed that claims for water damage was the result of flooding localized to within the boundary of the property itself. The City has offered to assist the owner with suggestions on how to correct the remaining water intrusion issue and continues to perform annual outreach. To date, the owner has not taken steps to implement corrective measures.

IV. New Action Items or Revised Recommendations

As stated in Section III above, the City has confirmed through the initial RLAA that the source of water damage to two properties, Lamar and Daniels, was the result of incidents unrelated to flooding. An annual RLAA progress report was provided to FEMA through the 2012 CRS annual recertification with a request to re-evaluate and remove these properties from the City's RL List. To date, FEMA has not responded to the City's request. The City will remain a Category B RL community (at least 1, but fewer than 10 RL properties that have not received mitigation) whether or not FEMA approves the City's request.