

COLORADO WATER CONSERVATION BOARD
721 State Centennial Building
1313 Sherman Street
Denver, Colorado 80203

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RESOLUTION

PREVIOUS FLOODPLAIN INFORMATION

WHEREAS, the following floodplain studies have been designated by the CWCB for Coal Creek and Rock Creek as listed in Table 1:

Table 1
Previously designated floodplain information for Coal Creek and Rock Creek

Study Name	Author	Report Date	Resolution No.
Flood Hazard Analyses, Coal Creek and Rock Creek, Boulder and Weld Counties, Colorado	Soil Conservation Service, Denver, CO	10/76	66
Flood Insurance Study, Town of Erie, Colorado, Boulder and Weld Counties	FEMA	09/90	309
Flood Insurance Study, Boulder County, Colorado, Unincorporated Areas	FEMA	07/88	336
Flood Insurance Study, Boulder County, Colorado, Unincorporated Areas	FEMA	07/90	337
Flood Insurance Study, Boulder County, CO, Unincorporated Areas	HUD/FIA	08/78	354.1
Flood Insurance Study, City of Lafayette, CO, Boulder County	FEMA	09/79	371
Flood Insurance Study, Town of Superior, CO, Boulder County	FEMA	03/79	372
Floodplain Information Report, Louisville, Colorado	CWCB	08/94	378
Flood Insurance Study, City of Broomfield, Colorado, Adams, Boulder, Jefferson, and Weld Counties	FEMA	09/97	499
Flood Insurance Study, Boulder County, CO and Incorporated Areas	FEMA	06/95	536
Flood Insurance Study, City and County of Broomfield, CO	FEMA	08/04	591

; and

WHEREAS, previous floodplain information consists of detailed information that has become outdated; and

FLOODPLAIN INFORMATION TO BE DESIGNATED

WHEREAS, RESPEC Consulting and Services completed a new report entitled "Flood Hazard Area Delineation, Coal Creek and Rock Creek" dated November 2014; and

WHEREAS, said new report contains detailed floodplain information for Coal Creek from the confluence with Boulder Creek upstream to Highway 128; and

WHEREAS, said new report contains detailed floodplain information for Rock Creek from the confluence with Coal Creek upstream to approximately 3,000' south of Highway 128; and

LOCAL REQUEST FOR DESIGNATION

WHEREAS, the study resulting in the said new report was prepared to assist government officials in managing and regulating Coal Creek and Rock Creek; and

WHEREAS, the Urban Drainage and Flood Control District transmitted a letter dated June 8, 2016 to the CWCB requesting designation and approval of said new study for Coal Creek and Rock Creek; and

WHEREAS, the Urban Drainage and Flood Control District worked directly with all of the affected communities during the course of the study and received input and endorsement for the study methods and results; and

WHEREAS, CWCB staff concurs with the request from the Urban Drainage and Flood Control District for designation and approval of the study; and

WHEREAS, the Urban Drainage and Flood Control District Board of Directors also passed a resolution at their November 20, 2014 meeting to adopt the subject study; and

C.R.S. AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, Section 37-60-106(1)(c), Colorado Revised Statutes, requires the Colorado Water Conservation Board to assist in the prevention of floods and flood damages therefrom; and

WHEREAS, Sections 31-23-301 and 30-28-111, Colorado Revised Statutes, provide that legislative bodies of local jurisdictions may provide zoning regulations for land uses on or along any storm or floodwater runoff channel or basin only after designation and approval by the Colorado Water Conservation Board; and

WHEREAS, Section 37-60-106(1)(c), Colorado Revised Statutes, directs the Colorado Water Conservation Board to designate and approve storm or floodwater runoff channels or basins and to make such designations available to legislative bodies of local jurisdictions; and

CONSISTENCY WITH PREVIOUS FLOODPLAIN STUDIES

WHEREAS, the detailed floodplain information for Coal Creek and Rock Creek revises and is, therefore, inconsistent with the detailed and approximate floodplain information for Coal Creek and Rock Creek contained in Resolutions No. 66, 309, 336, 337, 354.1, 371, 372, 378, 499, 536, and 591; and

COMPLIANCE WITH CWCB TECHNICAL STANDARDS

WHEREAS, hydrologic information in said new report was developed using UDFCD's Colorado Urban Hydrograph Procedure (CUHP, v. 1.3.3) and the EPA's Stormwater Management Model (SWMM, v 5.0.020); and

WHEREAS, water surface elevations for the 10-, 50-, 100-, and 500-year flood frequencies for the studied stream reach were computed for said new report using the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers HEC-RAS hydraulic model, Version 4.1.0; and

WHEREAS, floodway limits for the 100-year flood frequency assuming a 0.5 foot maximum rise, as required by UDFCD and CWCB, were computed for said new report using the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers HEC-RAS hydraulic model, Version 4.1.0; and

WHEREAS, the detailed floodplain and floodway information for Coal Creek and Rock Creek in said new report meets the requirements listed under the Board's "Rules and Regulations for Regulatory Floodplains in Colorado" (2 CCR 408-1); and

WHEREAS, Arapahoe County and the Urban Drainage and Flood Control District should continue to regulate new development and construction in floodplain areas on a case-by-case basis based on the information presented in said new report; and

DESIGNATION, APPROVAL AND RESCISSION ACTION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Colorado Water Conservation Board in regular meeting assembled in Edwards, Colorado, this 21st day of September, 2016 that it does hereby designate and approve as detailed floodplain information the 100-year and 500-year floodplains and 0.5-ft floodway delineations for Coal Creek and Rock Creek in City of Lafayette, City of Louisville, Town of Erie, Town of Superior, City and County of Broomfield, Boulder County contained in said new Flood Hazard Area Delineation dated November 2014; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board does hereby rescind the detailed and approximate 100-year and 500-year floodplain and floodway information contained in Resolutions No. 66, 309, 336, 337, 354.1, 371, 372, 378, 499, 536, and 591; for the studied reaches of Coal Creek and Rock Creek contained in said new report dated November 2014; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Board is directed to send a certified copy of this resolution to City of Lafayette, City of Louisville, Town of Erie, Town of Superior, City and County of Broomfield, Boulder County, Urban Drainage and Flood Control District, and the Federal Emergency Management Agency Region 8.

CERTIFICATE

I certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by a majority vote of the members of the Colorado Water Conservation Board in regular session assembled at Edwards, Colorado on the 21st day of September, 2016, at which a quorum was present.


James Eklund, Director