



# Federal Emergency Management Agency

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Write Your Own Principal Coordinators  
and the NFIP Servicing Agent

FROM: James S. P. Shortley  
Director of Claims  
Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration

SUBJECT: Closed Basin Lake Claims

The Closed Basin Lake Endorsement has been incorporated into the Standard Flood Insurance Policies as paragraph 2 of section T. of the General Conditions part of the policy as of December 31, 2001. This provision allows payment be made to the insured based on a total loss basis, less a salvage buyback if certain conditions are met. One condition is that the community adopts and enforces special floodplain management laws or ordinances by a deadline set by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

FEMA set a deadline of July 15, 2001 for the affected communities in the Devils Lake, North Dakota area to adopt such laws or ordinances. Prior to the deadline, the communities had to enforce a moratorium on new construction in areas that are mapped as Areas of Special Consideration.

The following communities decided not to meet the FEMA deadline, which means policyholders in those communities are not eligible for the benefits of this provision: Nelson County, Ramsey County, Towner County, Spirit Lake Tribe, Town of Churchs Ferry, Town of Maza, and Coulee Township. Claims that are filed after July 15, 2001, will be settled as set forth in paragraph 1 in section T. in the General Conditions part of the policy.

cc: Vendors, IBHS, FIPNC, WYO Marketing Committee, Government Technical Representative

Suggested Routing: Claims, Marketing, Underwriting