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NJMC Saves Property Owners \$323,000 in Flood Insurance Premiums

LYNDHURST, N.J. – Meadowlands District property owners are eligible for more than \$323,000 in flood insurance savings thanks to the New Jersey Meadowlands Commission's (NJMC) flood control efforts, which were recently recognized by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for exceeding national standards. More than 2,300 commercial, industrial and residential property owners in the District are eligible for a 15 percent savings through FEMA when they renew their policies or purchase new flood insurance.

“We are pleased that the NJMC’s dedication to flood control projects has resulted in significant insurance savings for District property owners,” said Joseph Doria, Chairman of the NJMC and Commissioner of the state Department of Community Affairs. “The Commission will continue to work hard to combat flooding in an effort to further improve the quality of life for all those who live, work and travel through the Meadowlands.”

The discounts are provided through FEMA’s National Flood Insurance Program Community Rating System. The program offers reductions on flood insurance to the owners of property within the jurisdiction of towns and regional planning agencies – such as the NJMC – that go above and beyond national flood control standards.

The NJMC was recognized by FEMA this spring for efforts which include several large-scale flood control projects, such as:

- A \$5.5 million project – the largest in NJMC history – that involves help from Bergen County and the state Department of Transportation to reduce flooding on Route 17 near the Rutherford–East Rutherford border
- A \$1.4 million upgrade of the West Riser Tide Gates in Moonachie, which protect Teterboro Airport and its surrounding area

- Restoration of the Asia Place drainage system in Carlstadt and Moonachie, a \$328,00 project that safeguards a large industrial section of both municipalities.

FEMA also commended the NJMC for exceeding federal flood control standards in a number of other areas, including open space preservation, flood data maintenance, stormwater management standards and drainage system maintenance.

“By proactively implementing new flood control measures and diligently maintaining our existing programs the NJMC has made great strides in reducing flooding in the region,” said Robert Ceberio, Executive Director of the NJMC. “Our top priority is protecting people and property, and it is great to see that our hard work is helping people save money as well.”

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