

Community Colchester, Town of State VT CID 500033
 County Chittenden

COMMUNITY RATING SYSTEM ANNUAL RECERTIFICATION

CC-213 Recertification

Recertification Due Date: February 1, 2019		
If there are any changes or corrections to the information below, please cross out the old item and write in the correction.		
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I hereby certify that the Town of Colchester is continuing to implement the activities on the attached pages as credited under the Community Rating System and described in our original application to the CRS and subsequent modifications.

I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, we are maintaining in force all flood insurance policies that have been required of us as a condition of federal financial assistance for insurable buildings owned by us and located in the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) shown on our Flood Insurance Rate Map. I further understand that disaster assistance for any community-owned building located in the SFHA is reduced by the amount of National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) flood insurance coverage (structure and contents) that a community should be carrying on the building, regardless of whether the community is carrying a policy.

Signed _____ (Chief Executive Officer)

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Your community has been verified as receiving CRS credit for the following activities. If your community is still implementing these activities the CRS coordinator is required to put his or her initials in the blank and attach the appropriate items. The numbers refer to the activity number which is found in the CRS Coordinator's Manual. If the word "attached" is used you must provide documentation material for that activity. If no material has been acquired for that activity please explain why there is no material from the past year.

____ 310 EC: We are maintaining Elevation Certificates on all new and substantially improved buildings in our Special Flood Hazard Area, and make copies of Elevation Certificates available at our present office location. [____ Initial here if you have had no new construction or substantial improvements in the last year]

____ 310 EC: Attached is the permit list for new or substantially improved structures that have been completed in the last year.

____ 310 EC: Attached are the Elevation Certificates for new or substantially improved structures that have been completed in the last year that are included on the above permit list.

____ 320 MI 1: We are providing basic flood information to inquirers.

we also continue to provide the following to inquirers

____ MI 2 additional FIRM information

____ MI 6 historical flood information

____ MI 7 natural floodplain functions

____ 320 MI: Attached is a copy of the publicity for the credited elements of this service this year.

____ 320 MI: Attached is a copy of one page of the log, a letter, or other record that we kept on this service this year.

____ 320 MI: We are continuing to keep our FIRM updated and maintain old copies of our FIRM.

____ 330 OP: We continue to conduct or provide all credited outreach projects.

____ 340 ODR: People looking to purchase floodprone property are being advised of the flood hazard through our credited hazard disclosure measures.

____ 350 LIB/LPD: Our public library continues to maintain flood protection materials.

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- ___ 350 WEB: We continue to conduct an annual review and update of the information and links in our flood protection website.
- ___ 360 PPA: We continue to provide flood protection advice to inquirers.
- ___ 360 PPV: We continue to provide on-site flood protection assistance to inquirers.
- ___ 360 PPA/PPV: Attached is a copy of the document that told others about these service(s) this year.
- ___ 420 OSP: We continue to preserve our open space in the floodplain.
- ___ 430 We continue to enforce the floodplain management provisions of our zoning, subdivision and building code ordinances for which we are receiving credit. [___] Initial here if you have amended your floodplain regulations. Attach a copy of the amendment.
- ___ 440 AMD: We continue to use and update our flood data maintenance system on an annual basis as needed.
- ___ 440 FM: We continue to maintain our historical Flood Hazard Boundary Map, FIRMs and Flood Insurance Studies.
- ___ 450 ESC/WQ: We continue to enforce the provisions of our zoning, subdivision and building codes as they pertain to erosion and sediment control and water quality.
- ___ 502 RL: We currently have __1__ repetitive loss properties and send our notice to __1__ properties in the repetitive loss areas.
- ___ 502 RL: Attached is a copy of this year's notice on property protection, flood insurance and financial assistance that we sent to our repetitive loss areas.
- ___ 510 FMP: Attached is a copy of our floodplain management plan's annual progress and/or a copy of the annual progress report on the recommendations of the repetitive loss area analyses.
- ___ 510 FMP: We have provided copies of this progress report to our governing board, local media, and the state NFIP Coordinating office.

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NOTE: Please do not mail or ship packages that need a signature.

Additional Comments:

Attachments:

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CRS Program Data Table	A. In the SFHA	B. In a regulated floodplain outside the SFHA	C. In the rest of the community
1. Last report's number of buildings in the SFHA (bSF) (line 6, last report)	80		
2. Number of new buildings constructed since last report	+		63
3. Number of buildings removed/demolished since last report	-		
4. Number of buildings affected by map revisions since last report (+ or -)			
5. Number of buildings affected by corporate limits changes (+ or -)			
6. Current total number of buildings in the SFHA (bSF) (total lines 1-5)	80		
7. Number of substantial improvement/damage projects since last report			
8. Number of repetitive loss properties mitigated since last report			
9. Number of LOMRs and map revisions (not LOMAs) since last report			
10. Acreage of the SFHA (aSFHA) as of the last report (line 13, last report)	3,259		
11. Acreage of area(s) affected by map revisions since last report (+ or -)			
12. Acreage of area(s) affected by corporate limits changes (+ or -)			
13. Current acreage of the SFHA (aSFHA) (total lines 10-12)			
14. Primary source for building data: Permit tracking database			
15. Primary source for area data: GIS			
16. Period covered: 2/1/18-2/1/19		Current FIRM date 7/18/2011	
<i>If available, the following data would be useful:</i>			
17. Number of new manufactured homes installed since last report			3
18. Number of other new 1-4 family buildings constructed since last report			61
19. Number of all other buildings constructed/installed since last report			2

Comments:

(Please note the number of the line to which the comment refers.)

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Instructions for CRS Program Data Table

At the first verification visit after the 2013 *CRS Coordinator's Manual* takes effect, ONLY LINES 6 AND 13 NEED TO BE COMPLETED. These lines form the baseline data about the number of buildings and area of the SFHA for when the table is completed as part of the next annual recertification. The "period covered" entered in line 16 is the date that lines 6 and 13 are first completed.

The entire table is completed at all subsequent annual recertifications and cycle verification visits. The information in lines 6 and 13 from the last report is transferred to lines 1 and 10 in the next report.

Instructions for the Columns

Column A numbers are for the SFHA (the A and V Zones shown on the Flood Insurance Rate Map) (FIRM)). Use the FIRM currently in effect, not a draft or pending revision.

Column B is completed only if the community receives CRS credit for regulating floodplain development outside the SFHA under Activity 410 (Floodplain Mapping) or Activity 430 (Higher Regulatory Standards).

Column C numbers help relate what happens in the floodplain to what is happening in the rest of the community.

Enter "0" if there are no numbers to report for this period. Do not leave a cell blank. Do not fill in the shaded boxes.

Instructions for the Lines

Lines 1-7 deal with buildings.

- Section 301.a of the *CRS Coordinator's Manual* defines what constitutes a "building" and lists examples of structures that are not counted as "buildings" by the CRS.
- Section 302.a of the *CRS Coordinator's Manual* describes how the CRS counts buildings. For example, accessory structures are not counted.
- As noted in Section 302.a, to determine building counts, communities may use any method that yields reasonably good estimates of the number of buildings. Examples of acceptable methods are listed in Section 302.a. Precision is less important for large numbers. For example, the impact of the numbers will not change much if there are 10,000 buildings or 10,100 buildings.
- If a building is out of the SFHA, but in a parcel that is partly in the SFHA, it is not counted in column A—In the SFHA.
- In line 14, note how the building counts were obtained or estimated. Use the comments area, if needed.

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Line 4 refers to map revisions. These include physical map revisions, Letters of Map Revision (LOMR), and Letters of Map Amendment (LOMA). If a building is removed from the SFHA by FEMA through a LOMA, but the community still administers its floodplain management regulations on the property, the building should not be included in the line 4 count in column A—In the SFHA. However, communities that still regulate areas removed by LOMAs can receive credit under Activities 410 or 430. If the community is receiving such credit, the building should be counted under column B—In a regulated floodplain outside the SFHA.

Line 7 is for the total number of buildings that were substantially improved plus the number of buildings that were substantially damaged during the period covered.

Lines 10–13 deal with areas.

- Section 403.e of the *CRS Coordinator's Manual* discusses calculating areas for CRS purposes.
- Section 403.e notes that communities “should not spend an inordinate amount of time measuring areas.” As with buildings, communities may use any method that yields reasonably good estimates. Examples of acceptable approaches are listed in Section 403.e.

- Line 13 asks for the current acreage of the SFHA. The best source for this number is a GIS layer that shows the SFHA. If the community does not have GIS, the county, regional agency, or state NFIP

- mapping office may have SFHA layers and may be able to provide the data. If the community has a relatively recent FIRM, the study contractor or consulting engineer may have the data.
- In line 15, note how the area calculations were obtained or estimated. Use the comments area, if needed.

Lines 17–19 are voluntary, if the numbers are readily available.

- Line 17 includes replacing an existing manufactured home with a new one. The newly placed manufactured home is counted as a new, post-FIRM, building.
- The total of lines 17–19 should equal the value entered in line 2.