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UPPER DARBY SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTED TO BUILDING NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN THE 69TH STREET AREA

*Upper Darby School District's Comprehensive Facilities Plan
includes 69th Street area elementary school*

Upper Darby, PA - Upper Darby School District, faced with overcrowding in their Elementary and Middle Schools, remains committed to building a new elementary school in the 69th Street area.

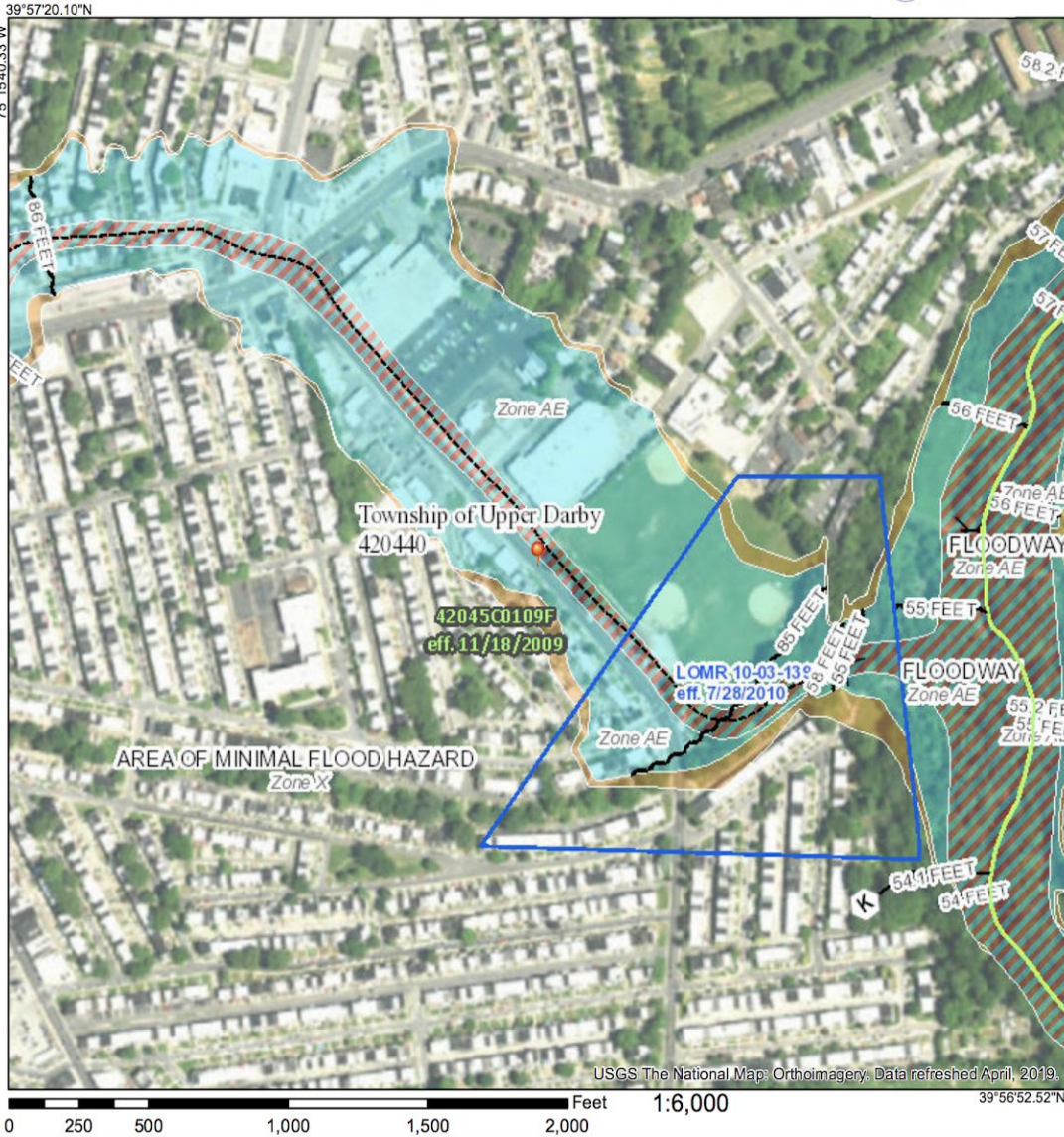
The District has reviewed information from FEMA that the 69th Street site is designated as a flood plain (see [attached FEMA document](#)). The FEMA Flood Map included in this communication features the area(s) included in the flood hazard area, with the area under consideration **for the new elementary school site (the athletic fields located at 69th Street)** highlighted in blue.

The District acknowledges that building in the FEMA-designated flood prone zone would require several State and Federal reviews. A project completed in a flood zone may also lead to increased insurance costs as well as additional management and maintenance costs. The location also requires a change with current Township zoning ordinances because current ordinances do not permit the building of a school at that location. As a result of such considerations and guidance from the District's legal team and architectural consultants, the District will need to reconsider submitting a proposal to build in the flood prone area located on 69th Street.

"We are aware that there is a lot of messaging out in the community about the possibility of the District building a new elementary school on the athletic field located on 69th Street," says Dr. Daniel McGarry, Superintendent of Schools. "While this particular area has been deemed as a zone that is not advisable to build a brand new elementary school on, we remain committed to building a new elementary school in the most densely populated area of our school district."

****Note: See the National Flood Hazard map from FEMA on the attached page.****

National Flood Hazard Layer FIRMMette



Legend

SEE FIS REPORT FOR DETAILED LEGEND AND INDEX MAP FOR FIRM PANEL LAYOUT

- SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD AREAS**
 - Without Base Flood Elevation (BFE)
Zone A, V, A99
 - With BFE or Depth Zone AE, AO, AH, VE, AR
 - Regulatory Floodway

 - OTHER AREAS OF FLOOD HAZARD**
 - 0.2% Annual Chance Flood Hazard, Areas of 1% annual chance flood with average depth less than one foot or with drainage areas of less than one square mile Zone X
 - Future Conditions 1% Annual Chance Flood Hazard Zone X
 - Area with Reduced Flood Risk due to Levee. See Notes. Zone X
 - Area with Flood Risk due to Levee Zone D

 - OTHER AREAS**
 - NO SCREEN Area of Minimal Flood Hazard Zone X
 - Effect of LOMRs
 - Area of Undetermined Flood Hazard Zone D

 - GENERAL STRUCTURES**
 - Channel, Culvert, or Storm Sewer
 - Levee, Dike, or Floodwall

 - OTHER FEATURES**
 - 20.2 Cross Sections with 1% Annual Chance Water Surface Elevation
 - 17.5 Coastal Transect
 - Coastal Transect Baseline (BFE)
 - Limit of Study
 - Jurisdiction Boundary
 - Coastal Transect Baseline
 - Profile Baseline
 - Hydrographic Feature

 - MAP PANELS**
 - Digital Data Available
 - No Digital Data Available
 - Unmapped
- The pin displayed on the map is an approximate point selected by the user and does not represent an authoritative property location.

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The flood hazard information is derived directly from the authoritative NFHL web services provided by FEMA. This map was exported on 3/23/2020 at 4:05:36 PM and does not reflect changes or amendments subsequent to this date and time. The NFHL and effective information may change or become superseded by new data over time.

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