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I received a letter from Southwestern Environmental Consultants in late December. They and the County will be working on a hydraulic modeling project for the lower portion of Dry Beaver Creek to its confluence with Wet Beaver Creek. (See their attached map). This is the area we know as the Bice Road neighborhood along the creek and the part of Lower McGuireville alongside Dry Beaver Creek and the very end of Wet Beaver Creek. I take it they included this last bit of Wet Beaver Creek because of the crossing located there. I received the letter because I live within the study area. This is the only area in Beaver Creek that is currently being studied.

I have also attached the contents of the letter. I called the project leader Krishan Ginige to try to understand how this study will be used. He was a little vague on this. It is part of the larger remapping of floodplain areas throughout the County, and will affect flood plain insurance in the future. Whether the study will help with access problems is less clear.

The letter also included a questionnaire. I sent a number of photos and descriptions of the various flood events I have been aware of in the past few years both on Dry and Wet Beaver Creek. I explained to Mr. Ginige, that most problems had to do with access during flooding and I knew of no one who actually experienced water in their homes. But we should encourage all residents of this area to contribute photos and testimony.

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