



FEMA Flood Plain Revisions Frequently Asked Questions

Why is this map update happening now? When will it happen next?

These maps are being updated as part of a larger floodplain study across the entire Little Miami River watershed. FEMA prioritized this watershed for updating to more accurately assess flood hazards. There is no schedule at this time for future updates.

When will these changes be finalized?

It is tough to say for certain. These preliminary maps could be finalized and adopted by communities by autumn 2022, but many factors can alter that timeline.

How are LOMAs/LOMRs affected by the preliminary changes?

LOMAs and LOMRs are separated into 4 categories:

- *Category 1 are LOMAs/LOMRs that have been incorporated in the map updates. In other words, they were used in part to draw the preliminary maps.*
- *Category 2 are LOMAs/LOMRs were not incorporated in the preliminary map but will be revalidated free of charge 1 day after the preliminary maps become effective.*
- *Category 3 LOMAs/LOMRs have not been reflected on the preliminary maps because they are being superseded by new or revised flood hazard information or the information available was not sufficient to make a determination.*
- *Category 4 LOMAs/LOMRs are to be redetermined. There are no LOMAs/LOMRs in Centerville that fall into this category.*

A list of the LOMAs and LOMCs in each category is [provided here](#).

Why am I receiving a notification?

All property owners affected by the preliminary flood hazard changes were informed. However, in some cases the changes may be minor, and further review will be necessary to determine the nature of the impact.

What will be covered in the open house?

Representatives will be there to answer questions and provide information to anyone who participates. Depending on the number of people and nature of the discussion, we may use Zoom break-out rooms for focused discussions.

If my property was added to the map, will I need to be insured?

It is recommended that property owners contact their community floodplain administrator, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources Floodplain Management Program or their insurance provider for specifics on flood insurance requirements.

If my property was removed from the map, can I get rid of their insurance?

It is recommended that property owners contact their community floodplain administrator, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources Floodplain Management Program or their insurance provider for specifics on flood insurance requirements.

How do I participate in the appeals process if I want to appeal?

Property owners can participate in workshops and meetings, refer to information mailed to them and work with their community floodplain administrator and FEMA Region V to submit any comments or appeals.

Please visit centervilleohio.gov/floodplainmap for more information.