

Dear Resident:



This letter is to notify you that the structure or structures located at this address appear to have been newly-mapped by Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) into a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA), also called the 1% Annual-Chance-Flood-Hazard area. **Due to this change, please note below ways to minimize your costs and protect your property.**

How did my property get mapped into a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA)? FEMA finalized the Flood Insurance Study for Lafayette Parish after a nearly 10-year mapping process. These new, more accurate maps will become effective December 21, 2018. As part of this process, FEMA revised the floodplain boundaries throughout the parish, identifying flood-vulnerable areas. These floodplain maps (also known as Flood Insurance Rate Maps or FIRMs) provide the basis for insurance requirements and floodplain management.

How can I view the new maps? The new maps can be viewed online at FEMA's Flood Map Service Center at <https://msc.fema.gov/portal> or Lafayette Consolidated Government's (LCG) website at <http://www.LafayetteLA.gov/FloodMaps/> or in person at the Clifton Chenier Complex, 220 W. Willow Street, Building B, Lafayette, LA 70501.

How will these updated maps affect you? If you have a mortgage or secured loan from a federally regulated or insured lender and the principal structure on this parcel is within the SFHA, your lender will require you to carry flood insurance.

When will this change take effect? December 21, 2018. Lenders will send a letter to all properties in the SFHA (or close to it) to notify them that they must purchase a flood insurance policy within 45 days. If a policy is not purchased within this time period, the lender will "force place" a policy, which is usually more expensive.

**SAVE MONEY AND GET FLOOD INSURANCE NOW.
DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE MAPS ARE EFFECTIVE TO GET FLOOD INSURANCE.**

What to do if you believe you have been incorrectly included in the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA)? There are scenarios where the boundaries of the floodplain do not accurately reflect the true topographic characteristics of a site. If you believe your structure and/or parcel is higher than the actual flood elevation, there is a procedure for appeals known as a Letter of Map Amendment (LOMA). A LOMA involves hiring a surveyor to verify the lowest ground touching the structure (Lowest Adjacent Grade) is above the 100-year flood elevation. Learn more about the LOMA process at <https://www.fema.gov/letter-map-changes>

Please attend one of the public meetings. Learn more about the new flood maps, check the flood zone on your property, learn more about the importance of flood insurance, and get information on obtaining elevation certificates. These public meetings are being held in joint efforts with the Cities of Broussard, Carencro and Scott.

When: Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2018, 6 p.m.

Where: Broussard Community Center, 108 Broadview Dr., Broussard

When: Wednesday, Sept. 12, 2018, 6 p.m.

Where: Scott Event Center, 110 Lions Club Rd., Scott

When: Wednesday, Sept. 19, 2018, 6p.m.

Where: Carencro Community Center, 5115 N. University Ave., Carencro

NOTE: This letter is for notification purposes only. Please contact the municipality in which the property is located for information specific to this address. The contact information for each municipality is on the reverse of this letter. LCG is committed to supporting you during this transition. If you need assistance determining which municipality to contact please call 337.291.8468.

Sincerely,
Lafayette Consolidated Government Flood Plain Administration

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**FOR PROPERTY-SPECIFIC INFORMATION, PLEASE
CONTACT THE MUNICIPALITY IN WHICH THE PROPERTY IS LOCATED.**

City of Lafayette/Unincorporated Lafayette Parish - 337.291.8468
220 W. Willow St., Building B
Lafayette, LA 70501

City of Broussard - 337.837.6681
310 E. Main St.
Broussard, LA 70518

City of Carencro - 337.896.8481
210 E. St. Peter St.
Carencro, LA 70520

Town of Duson - 337.873.6754
498 Toby Mouton Rd.
Duson, LA 70529

City of Scott - 337.889.5023
125 Lions Club Rd.
Scott, LA 70583

City of Youngsville - 337.856.4181
305 Iberia St.
Youngsville, LA 70592

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