



Flood Map Revisions

Effective Tuesday, May 16, 2017, revised Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) will replace outdated maps. The revised maps will reflect current flood risks and floodplain boundaries, which will provide residents with information regarding the risk of their property flooding.

According to FEMA, FIRMS change due to water flow and drainage patterns dramatically altering because of land use and community development or because of natural forces such as changing weather patterns, surface erosion, subsidence, wildfires or sea-level rise, and infrastructure changes. FIRMS are used to manage floodplains, develop ordinances, determine whether flood insurance will be required as a condition for a loan and used to determine a property's flood insurance premium.

To ensure that residents have access to up-to-date information regarding flood zones, York County provides a digital flood map viewer at the following web address:

https://maps2.yorkcountygov.com/gvh5/Index.html?viewer=DFIRM_viewer.

Residents can insert their address and see if their property is in a flood zone or not. Additionally, residents may call Tammy Marain, Environmental Compliance Manager at 803-909-7157 or email her at tammy.marain@yorkcountygov.com; or visit the Planning Department at 1070 Heckle Blvd., building 107, Rock Hill, SC.

To learn more about FEMA mapping program, visit www.fema.gov/national-flood-insurance-program-flood-hazard-mapping.