Have you seen your Updated Flood Hazard Maps?

Learn about the Flood Hazard Maps and your Flood Risk by attending the

Southern Monmouth County Flood Risk Open House

Join FEMA, New Jersey DEP and Monmouth County to have your questions answered about:

- How you are affected by the updated flood hazard maps
- Your Flood Risk
- Flood Insurance
- Flood Risk Mitigation

Come at any time between the hours of:
4PM to 8PM, Thursday, February 19th, 2015

Manasquan Elks Lodge #2534
17 Stockton Lake Blvd
Manasquan, NJ 08736
Parking is available

Bring your Flood Insurance Policy and/or Elevation Certificate to learn how the new flood maps may affect you.

*The following information will **not** be available at this meeting:*
Outstanding insurance claims and disaster-related recovery efforts

For more information, visit www.region2coastal.com

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SOUTHERN MONMOUTH COUNTY FLOOD RISK OPEN HOUSE TO BE HELD

Manasquan: The Monmouth County Office of Emergency Management is announcing the dates of the Southern Monmouth County Flood Risk Open House, hosted by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Region II. During the open house, which will be held on Feb. 19, 2015, from 4pm to 8pm at the **Manasquan Elks Lodge,** updates to the flood hazard maps, known as Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs), for Monmouth County will be discussed. These updates were preliminarily issued to Monmouth County and incorporated areas on January 31st, 2014. The FIRMs identify areas that have flood risk in Monmouth County. Insurance companies use FIRMs to determine flood insurance rates for buildings and their contents, and lenders utilize this information to determine flood insurance requirements. Monmouth County residents and property owners are encouraged to learn more about their flood risk and the updates shown on the preliminary flood hazard maps by looking up their property's address in the "What's my BFE" tool at www.region2coastal.com.

FEMA, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and Monmouth County OEM will be available to answer flood risk and insurance questions, and explain the preliminary flood hazard maps during the open house. The location for the open house is **Manasquan Elks Lodge #2534, 17 Stockton Lake Blvd., Manasquan**. Please come anytime between the hours of **4PM - 8PM.** No appointment is required**.**

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SOUTHERN MONMOUTH COUNTY FLOOD RISK OPEN HOUSE TO BE HELD

Residents are encouraged to bring their elevation certificates and/or flood insurance policies to the event to find out how they may be affected by the new flood maps.

Information on disaster-related recovery efforts and outstanding insurance claims will not be discussed at the event.

It's important to attend this event if your property is currently mapped within a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA), newly mapped into an SFHA, and/or if you currently have flood insurance. If you are unsure of your flood risk, please refer to the Preliminary FIRMs which are available on the FEMA Map Service Center website, https://msc.fema.gov/portal, or call the FEMA Map Information exchange (FMIX) at 1-877-FEMA MAP (1-877-336-2627) or your local flood plain administrator or building official.

If you are in a high-risk flood zone, known as the SFHA, you may be required by your lender to carry flood insurance. FEMA staff will be available at the Open House to talk about these changes.

The preliminary flood hazard maps that will be shared at the Open House are an update of the existing FIRMs. These preliminary FIRMs and the associated Flood Insurance Study (FIS) provide the basis for flood risk education and floodplain management measures. Monmouth County communities are required to adopt updated maps to continue participating in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), which makes flood insurance available to the community.

For additional information on flood hazard risk and the mapping process, please visit www.region2coastal.com.

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