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Federal, State and Local Officials To Host Public Open House Regarding Updated Burleigh County Floodplain Maps

BISMARCK, N.D. – Floodplain maps are beneficial tools for communities, residents and stakeholders to gain better understanding of potential flood risk and available insurance options. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), in collaboration with the North Dakota Department of Water Resources (DWR), invite the public to participate in a Burleigh County Floodplain Map Public Open House on Tuesday, August 16 at 4 p.m. CDT at the Bismarck Event Center. The open house is also offered virtually.

This open house is a federal, state and local effort to provide Burleigh County with updated information regarding flood hazard and risk data, along with guidance about the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). Representatives from FEMA, DWR, City of Bismarck and Burleigh County will cooperatively host the public open house.

Participants will have the chance to view preliminary floodplain maps, provide comments and ask questions about the mapping efforts, community floodplain management and the NFIP. The updated floodplain maps incorporate robust technology and data to show potential flood risk throughout Burleigh County.

Staying informed on the latest floodplain maps enables residents and stakeholders to generate more resilient and empowered communities. If you are unable to attend the open house, the preliminary Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) products are viewable at:

<https://hazards.fema.gov/femaportal/prelimdownload/searchLoad.action>

WHAT: FEMA Public Open House – Burleigh County

WHY: New preliminary FIRMs have been released for Burleigh County. The new digital maps use updated data and science to show the extent to which areas throughout Burleigh County are at risk for flooding.

WHO: Any interested members of the public, representatives from FEMA, DWR, City of Bismarck and Burleigh County

WHEN: 4-7 p.m. CDT on Tuesday, August 16, 2022

WHERE: In-person at the Bismarck Event Center, 315 S. 5th Bismarck, ND 58504 – Hall C
Virtual via Zoom: <https://ogilvy.zoom.us/j/94832150627>
Webinar ID: 948 3215 0627, **Passcode:** 701

This meeting is required to be fully accessible to people with disabilities and the electronic version of meeting or training materials will be accessible to people with disabilities. If you need a reasonable accommodation (sign language interpreters, Braille, CART, etc.), please e-mail Madeleine.pluss@fema.dhs.gov with your request by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, August 10, 2022. Requests received after that time will be considered but might not be possible to fulfill.

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