

New Preliminary Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) were released September 30, 2019 by FEMA for Davis County.

The proposed changes show a 40% reduction in regulated flood zone area in Bountiful City. The preliminary maps more accurately represent the flood risk to Bountiful properties. Before the preliminary maps become effective, a few things must first occur:

- 1) FEMA will provide an opportunity to appeal the proposed flood maps during a 90 day appeal period that runs through November 4th, 2020.
- 2) Appeals will be addressed. Any appeals that are accepted will lead to additional study and potential modification of preliminary flood maps.
- 3) A Letter of final determination will be issued by FEMA six months prior to the date that the preliminary maps become effective, and will include an effective date.

Anyone who wants to file an appeal is encouraged to contact the Bountiful City Engineering Department (801-298-6125) for more information about the appeals process.

The current and preliminary FIRMs and Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHAs) can be seen on the Bountiful City Interactive Map at www.bountifulutah.gov. Look for the link to the “Interactive Map” then find the “Themes” menu and turn on the layer “SFHA Preliminary 2019” (the base theme can also be changed to a satellite view for an aerial perspective).

FEMA’s official notice of proposed flood hazard determinations can be found at <http://www.fema.gov/plan/prevent/fhm/bfe>