



BOULDER COUNTY FLOODPLAIN REMAPPING NEWSLETTER

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The Floodplain Remapping Project Enters Phase II

In response to the 2013 flood event, the State of Colorado is bolstering long-term planning and resiliency efforts by funding the **Colorado Hazard Mapping Program (CHAMP)** to update local flood hazard information including regulatory floodplain maps for the most affected waterways. Phase I draft map updates arrived in 2017 and the second, final phase of draft map review is currently underway. For a refresher on what floodplain areas are in Phase I vs. Phase II of the floodplain updates, visit www.bocofloodplainremapping.com to see a map and listing of the areas included in this study.

UPCOMING PUBLIC MEETINGS TO REVIEW PHASE II DRAFT FLOODPLAIN MAPS

1

Fourmile Creek & Gold Run
 Thursday, Jan. 11 – 4 - 7 p.m.
 Open House with Presentation at 5:30 p.m.
 1740 Fourmile Canyon Drive
 (Poorman Fire Station)

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**Fourmile Canyon Creek
 (Anne U. White trailhead to city limits)**
 Thursday, Jan. 25 – 4 - 7 p.m.
 Open House with Presentation at 5:30 p.m.
 1903 Linden Drive, Boulder
 (Pinebrook Water District)

3

**Left Hand Creek to Geer Canyon,
 & James Creek
 - unincorporated areas only**
 Tuesday, Feb. 6 – 6 - 8 p.m.
 Open House with Presentation at 6:15 p.m.
 118 Main St., Jamestown
 (Jamestown Town Hall)

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**All Reaches Listed (1 2 3)
 & North St. Vrain Creek
 (along Longmont Dam Rd.)**
 Tuesday, Feb. 20 – 4 - 7 p.m.
 Open House with Presentation at 5:30 p.m.
 3975 28th St., Boulder
 (Boulder Elks Lodge)

Draft maps for Left Hand Creek below Geer Canyon will be provided for public review at a later date - look for a meeting announcement online or in your mailbox (for local residents).

Provide Comments Before the Meeting!

Visit our web map to place your comments on the draft maps at any time

www.bocofloodplainremapping.com

Click on 'Review Draft Floodplain Maps' to access the web map & comment

INCLEMENT WEATHER & MEETING CANCELLATIONS

In the event of inclement weather on the day of a scheduled public meeting, please check the website, www.BoCoFloodplainRemapping.com for a cancellation notice and possible meeting rescheduling information. You may also call (303) 441-3900 to find out about cancellations and rescheduled meetings. We will do our best to inform the community about a schedule change in the event that we must cancel a meeting.

PROJECT TIMELINES

Preliminary FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) will be released for each CHAMP map phase before they become effective FIRMs. When the preliminary FIRMs are available, additional public meetings will be announced and all residents and property owners will be encouraged to attend. Details will be available on the project website, in upcoming newsletters, and in county news releases.

PHASE I ESTIMATED TIMELINE:



PHASE II ESTIMATED TIMELINE:



Stay informed about future developments

Websites

Visit www.BoCoFloodplainRemapping.com where the county provides information about regulatory floodplains, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), and CHAMP activities.

Public Meetings

All public meetings scheduled at this time are listed in this newsletter. Details on any future meetings will be advertised via a news release at the time and in subsequent newsletters.

Watershed Coalitions

Boulder County will be partnering with the Fourmile, St. Vrain, Little Thompson, Coal Creek, and Left Hand watershed coalitions to distribute newsletters to all members.

Social Media

Important news will also be distributed via Boulder County's social media outlets on Facebook and Twitter at www.Facebook.com/bouldercounty and www.Twitter.com/BoCoDOT

Newsletters & Listserv

Boulder County will publish newsletters regularly as new information becomes available. Each newsletter will provide updates on the floodplain remapping process and will be available online and via email listserv.

Not on our remapping listserv? Registration is available on the Boulder County remapping website.

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In Our Next Newsletter:

Preliminary FIRMs for Phase I reaches will be arriving in mid-2018, so we'll share how you can be sure to know the status of the mapping at your property and how you can be involved in the next stage of the remapping process.

Not sure if you live near a Phase I or Phase II stream? Visit the website to see a listing and a map!

All Boulder County residents are eligible for flood insurance because even homes not located near the floodplain may suffer flood damage. You can learn more about flood insurance at www.floodsmart.gov.



In Boulder County, flash flooding is a very serious danger, especially during the summer months (April through October). Boulder County maps and regulates flood hazard areas to manage these risks as well as to inform property owners of flood hazards near their homes and businesses.