

# Allen County Residents Invited to Attend Virtual Flood Map Open House

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**CHICAGO** – On March 24, representatives from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in conjunction with Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) will host an online flood risk information open house for Allen County. The event will be presented using the Zoom teleconferencing service and will provide residents an opportunity to review a recently completed preliminary Flood Insurance Study (FIS) and accompanying preliminary Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs).

The FIS and the FIRMs provide base flood information, delineate areas subject to significant flood hazards within the county, and offer information public officials may use when permitting development in the floodplain. The updated floodplain maps are limited to the portion of Allen County within the Little Miami River Watershed.

The virtual open house will be staffed by representatives from various local, state, and federal agencies who will provide information about flood risk, flood insurance, floodplain development regulations, and the floodplain mapping process. Once the maps become effective, they will be used as the basis for flood insurance as well as local flood protection regulations adopted under the National Flood Insurance Program. FEMA also intends that they be used to assist planning processes and outreach efforts to increase resiliency in response to flood and storm events. Meeting information follows:

WHAT: Allen County, Ohio Flood Risk Information Open House  
WHEN: Wednesday, March 24, 2021, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.  
WHERE: Visit [www.zoom.com](http://www.zoom.com) and enter the following meeting ID and passcode. This requires registering for a free Zoom account.  
Meeting ID: 992 1820 4571  
Passcode: 564400

<https://stantec.zoom.us/j/99218204571?pwd=SzhiaWhTRk1qbEpWSUFUTGtGc0U3QT09>



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You may also call into the meeting using one of the following telephone numbers and entering the meeting ID and passcode shown above. Long-distance charges may apply.

(301) 715-8592

(312) 626-6799

(646) 876-9923

Property owners, realtors, lenders, and insurance agents are urged to attend and take advantage of this opportunity to learn more about flood risk and hazard mitigation within their community. Digital files of the Preliminary FIRMs and FIS report can be downloaded at <https://hazards.fema.gov/femaportal/prelimdownload/>. For more information, email the FEMA News Desk at [FEMA-R5-News-Desk@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-R5-News-Desk@fema.dhs.gov).

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