## Preliminary Flood Map for Newton County, Texas, Ready for Public View

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**DENTON, Texas** – New preliminary flood maps for Newton County are ready for review.

Residents are encouraged to examine these maps to decide whether they need to buy flood insurance. Additionally, residents and community leaders can make informed decisions about building and development.

A team consisting of Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and state and local officials cooperated to produce them.

"We've worked with our state and local partners to bring this critical information to the area. We hope that everyone reviews the maps to understand the flood risks involved," said FEMA Region 6 Administrator Tony Robinson. "It is important for the community to be a participant in the flood mapping process."

To see the revised flood maps, please contact your local floodplain administrator at city hall or the local county government building. You can also visit <a href="http://msc.fema.gov/portal">http://msc.fema.gov/portal</a> or <a href="http://maps.riskmap6.com/TX/Newton/">http://maps.riskmap6.com/TX/Newton/</a>. To contact a FEMA map specialist, call

1-877-FEMA MAP (1-877-336-2627) or send an email to FEMAMapSpecialist@riskmapcds.com.

Residents who determine that they have flood risks can buy a flood insurance policy through the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). Visit <a href="https://www.fema.gov/national-flood-insurance-program/">https://www.fema.gov/national-flood-insurance-program/</a> and use the NFIP Call Center, 1-800-621-3362, Option 2, to speak to a FEMA specialist.

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