## Public Invited to Appeal or Comment on Flood Maps in Somervell County, Texas

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**DENTON**, **Texas** – New preliminary flood risk information and updated Flood Insurance Rate Maps are available for review by residents and business owners in Somervell County, Texas. Officials encourage property owners to review the latest information to learn about local flood risks and potential future flood insurance requirements. Community stakeholders can identify any concerns or questions about the information provided and participate in the appeal and comment period for the maps.

New flood hazard information from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has been generated in coordination with community, state and agency officials. Significant community review has already taken place.

## Appeals/Comments may be submitted through March 18, 2021:

City of Glen Rose; and the unincorporated areas of Somervell County

Residents may submit an appeal if they perceive that modeling or data used to create the map is technically or scientifically incorrect. An appeal must include technical information, such as hydraulic or hydrologic data, to support the claim. Appeals cannot be based on the effects of proposed projects or projects started after the study is in progress.

If property owners see incorrect information that does not change the flood hazard information—such as a missing or misspelled road name in the Special Flood Hazard Area or an incorrect corporate boundary—they can submit a written comment.

The next step in the mapping process is the resolution of all comments and appeals. Once they are resolved, FEMA will notify communities of the effective



date of the final maps.

To review the preliminary maps or submit appeals and comments, visit your local floodplain administrator (FPA). A FEMA Map Specialist can help identify your community FPA. Specialists are available by telephone at 1-877-FEMA-MAP (1-877-336-2627) or by email at FEMAMapSpecialist@riskmapcds.com.

The preliminary maps may also be viewed online:

The Flood Map Changes Viewer at http://msc.fema.gov/fmcv

FEMA Map Service Center at <a href="http://msc.fema.gov/portal">http://msc.fema.gov/portal</a>

For more information about the flood maps:

Use a live chat service about flood maps at <a href="http://go.usa.gov/r6C">http://go.usa.gov/r6C</a> (just click on the "Live Chat" icon)

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Most homeowners insurance policies do not cover flood damage. There are costsaving options available for those newly mapped into a high-risk flood zone. Learn more about your flood insurance options by talking with your insurance agent or visiting https://www.floodsmart.gov.

