Proposed Steele County Flood Maps Reflect Changes to Local Flood Risk

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DENVER – Updates to Steele County, North Dakota's flood insurance rate maps are nearing completion. The new maps will provide Steele County with more accurate flood risk information that can help local officials and residents make informed decisions about reducing flood risks and purchasing flood insurance.

The mapping project is a joint effort between Steele County, and FEMA. It is part of a nationwide effort led by FEMA to increase local knowledge of flood risk and support actions to address and reduce that risk.

Officials encourage residents and business owners to review the proposed maps to learn about the flood threat in their area, and potential future flood insurance purchase requirements.

Once preliminary maps are released, there is a 90-day appeal period during which community members can provide additional data for consideration before the maps are final. This appeal period starts on July 29, 2022, and ends on October 27, 2022. Appeal packages should address scientific or technical mistakes in the maps and must include supporting data or engineering documentation.

For further details on this process, visit https://www.fema.gov/r8-map-appeals, or contact your local floodplain administrator.

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