

Residents in Mankato and North Mankato Invited to Attend Flood Risk Information Open House

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CHICAGO – Representatives from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will host an online Flood Risk Information Open House for the cities of Mankato and North Mankato, Minn., on Thursday, June 10, 2021, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. CT. The open house will provide residents with an opportunity to review a recently completed preliminary Flood Insurance Study (FIS) and its accompanying preliminary Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs).

The FIS and the FIRMs provide base flood information, designate areas that are subject to significant flood hazards and offer information that public officials may use when permitting development in the floodplain.

The online open house will be staffed with representatives from various local, state and federal agencies who will provide the most current information about flood risk, flood insurance, floodplain development regulations and the process for floodplain mapping within the cities of Mankato and North Mankato. The newly prepared preliminary floodplain maps will be available to review during the meeting. 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. Details for the meeting are as follows:

WHAT: Mankato and North Mankato Flood Risk Information Open House

WHEN: Thursday, June 10, 2021, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

WHERE: Visit the city of Mankato website for the meeting link:

<http://www.mankatomn.gov/Home/Components/Calendar/Event/4696/103?curm=6&cury=2021>, or visit the city of North Mankato website for the meeting link:



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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 www.fema.gov/preliminaryfloodhazarddata.

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