

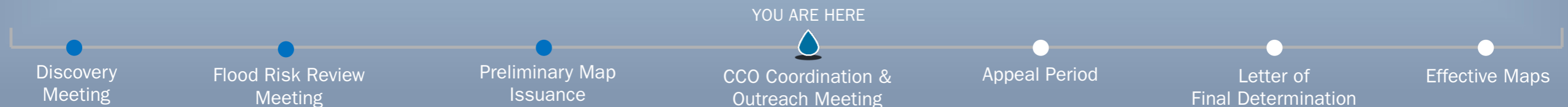
Luzerne County, PA – Countywide

FEMA's Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning (Risk MAP) Program helps strengthen communities by identifying actions they can take now to reduce their hazard risk, enhance local planning, improve outreach through risk communications, and increase local resilience to natural hazards. Below is an overview of some key items identified during the Changes Since Last FIRM¹ impact assessment. **The information presented below are estimates as of September 2020.**

* The updated flood high hazard area refers to the preliminary 1%-annual-chance floodplain inside the study area, and the effective 1%-annual-chance floodplain outside the study area.



KEEPING COMMUNITIES INFORMED: Your Risk MAP Timeline



TAKE ACTION: Next Steps



Your Hazard Mitigation Plan has been approved through **September 2025**. Some projects you identified to reduce flood risk were:

- Work with municipalities, particularly those along the Susquehanna River and large streams, to join the CRS.
- Continue to work with municipalities to advise homeowners about mitigation efforts such as elevation or flood proofing.

Find ideas to mitigate flood risk here:
https://www.fema.gov/media-library-data/20130726-1904-25045-0186/fema_mitigation_ideas_final508.pdf

Immediate Next Steps:

1. Attend the Community Coordination & Outreach Meeting

The virtual CCO Meeting is on **Thursday, November 5** from **2PM – 4PM**.

2. Review your preliminary FIRM/FIS¹

The preliminary FIRMs were issued on **September 15, 2020**.

What's on the Horizon:

1. 90-day regulatory **Appeal Period** following the CCO Meeting

2. Letter of Final Determination issued following Appeal Period

3. Adopt local floodplain management ordinance

¹ Flood Insurance Rate Map / Flood Insurance Study (FIRM/FIS)

² Since 1978