

Watershed Evaluation Details

Topographic Data: Based on information collected in 2018.

Permit Data: Environmental Resource Permit (ERP) cutoff date for modeling will be 2018.

Projected Timeline for Upcoming Tasks

December 2020/January 2021 (45 days)

 Outreach with the public to collect historical information to assist with further analysis.

January 2021

District will review all public comments received during initial review period.

Winter 2021

• Preliminary floodplain information presented to public for review and comment.

Additional Resources / Contact Information

FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs)

- Citrus County Current Effective Date is September 2014.
- The County will determine when approved floodplains will be provided to FEMA.

Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD)

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Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Q: What is the Watershed Management Program?

A: The District takes a watershed approach to managing water and water-related resources within its boundaries. By doing so, all the characteristics of each watershed can be evaluated to reflect the real, interconnected nature of Florida's water resources. This increases the District's ability to clearly identify, prioritize and address issues related to the area's water resources. The Watershed Management Program provides a method to evaluate the capacity of a watershed to protect, enhance and restore water quality and natural systems while achieving flood protection.

For more information, please visit:

https://www.swfwmd.state.fl.us/sites/default/files/medias/documents/watershed management.pdf

Q: How will this affect me?

A: As preliminary flood risk information is developed for a watershed, the District provides the information to the public so that citizens can learn about the data and science used to determine the flood hazard areas, view the preliminary floodplain results and have an opportunity to ask questions and provide comments. We encourage you to contact us through a phone call, email or the comment card if you have information to share. This information could be used to update FEMA maps in the future or for permitting decisions on a property.

Q: Who do I contact with comments and questions?

A: For watershed related issues you may submit questions and comments on our website, leave a voice message at (352) 796-7211 ext. 4297 or 1-800-423-1476 (Florida only) ext. 4297 or email us at WMP@watermatters.org.

Q: Where can I provide photos of previous flooding?

A: You may email flood photos to us at <u>WMP@watermatters.org</u>. Please include the date the photo was taken, if possible.

Q: Who do I contact if I have a stormwater maintenance issue or a possible Environmental Resource Permit (ERP) violation?

Q: I got a letter on the mail, but my neighbor did not, Why?

A: The District notifies property owners via mail for those properties that intersect wetlands, or special Flood Hazard Zones "A" or "AE" on the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs), or soils hydrologic group B/D, C, or D, or are adjacent to conveyance ways such as ditches, creeks, and rivers, to solicit information about the watershed.

Q: Where can I find more information about flood insurance?

A: To view FEMA's existing Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs), visit the <u>FEMA Map Service Center</u> and search by street address; or, you can view flood risk information using <u>FEMA's map viewer</u>.