

Sherman County is hosting a public Open House on September 7 to provide information about the updated Flood Insurance Rate Map.

JOIN US

September 7, 6:30–8:30 p.m.
Sherman County Extension Office
66365 Lonerock Rd.
Moro, OR 97039

WHY IS THE FLOOD MAP CHANGING?

Flood risk changes over time, and mapping technology has improved. By working with the state, county and local communities, FEMA is using newer data and technology to update the flood map. An updated map will more accurately represent the risk of flooding in your community.

A new map will give your community a better understanding of its flood risks. This leads to more informed decisions about how to protect itself from damage and loss.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR ME?

The new flood map, officially known as a Flood Insurance Rate Map, identifies areas of flood risk (high, moderate, low). It will influence financial, planning, investment and development decisions.

The owners of buildings in high-risk areas will be required to have flood insurance, if they have a loan from a federally regulated or insured lender. We encourage everyone to be aware of their flood risk and carry flood insurance.

The revised map is available online for public review and comment. You can view it here: bit.ly/shermanviewer. For more information, visit: bit.ly/shermanmapupdate.

WHAT CAN I LEARN AT THE OPEN HOUSE?

Our goal is to help residents understand the risks of living or owning property in or near a flood zone. We want them to know the steps they can take to protect their homes and families. During the presentation, you can:

- Learn about how the flood map is updated and reviewed.
- See how the map revision might affect your property and community.
- Ask about the risk to your property and learn what happens next.

FEMA will be giving a presentation at 6:45 p.m. and will be available to answer questions and offer information.

UNABLE TO ATTEND?

Contact Brenda Coleman, at the Rufus City Hall, to learn more.