

Flood Protection

The City of Delta participates in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). The NFIP is a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) program that was federally initiated in 1968 to provide affordable flood insurance nationwide.

[Title 15.56](#) of The City of Delta Municipal Code regulates floodplain development. A floodplain development permit is required for any development in the regulatory floodplain. Please contact the Department of Public Works for help determining whether your property or building project is located in the regulatory floodplain.

As a public service, the City of Delta will provide you with the following information upon request:

- The City will provide you with basic information found on a Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) that is needed to write a flood insurance policy, including:
 - Whether a property is located in or outside of a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) as indicated on the current FIRM for the City of Delta.
 - The community number, panel number and suffix, the date of the FIRM's index, the FIRM zone, the base flood elevation where shown on the FIRM, and the elevation datum used on the FIRM.
- Additional information that is shown on the FIRM such as whether a property is located in a floodway or not. The City can explain the regulatory requirements for developing in a floodway, if a property is located in a floodway.
- Areas in the City of Delta that are prone to flooding but not included in the SFHA or listed on the FIRM. This includes areas that are prone to localized flooding throughout the City. Localized flooding involves pooling of water that results when the City's storm water facilities are inundated during heavy rain events.
- The anticipated depth of flood waters in areas throughout the City of Delta.
- Information about past flood events including photographs of past flooding in the City of Delta.
- Information about areas that are protected in the City of Delta because of their natural floodplain functions.
- The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) no longer provides additional hard copies of the FIRM maps, however FEMA does provide a website with the current FIRM maps. The website address is: www.msc.fema.gov. The City of Delta does have copies of the FIRM maps as well as City produced maps that display the SFHA which are available at the Public Works Department at 640 W 4th St. Please contact us if you need additional help navigating the FEMA website or have any questions regarding the floodplain.

Please call the Department of Public Works at 970-874-7903 for further information, or you may visit us at 640 W 4th St.; we are open from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM Monday through Thursday and 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM Friday. There are no charges for these services.

Helpful Links

[FEMA Home Page](#)

[National Flood Insurance Program](#)

[Gunnison River Stream Gauge](#)

[Uncompahgre River Stream Gauge](#)

City of Delta Floodplain Map

