



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Property Owners Can Get Schooled on Flood Insurance at City-hosted Information Session

Columbia, SC – November 19, 2013 –

With recent changes to the Federal laws governing the National Flood Insurance Program, the City of Columbia will hold the first of two public information sessions on flood insurance this Thursday, November 21st from 6-8 PM at the Eau Claire Print Building at 3907 Ensor Ave.

Homeowners and commercial property owners who have or are considering flood insurance should attend.

The City of Columbia's Floodplain Manager will be on hand to inform the public about:

- Recent changes to the Federal laws governing the NFIP,
- How property owners can learn more about flood insurance premiums through the NFIP,
- And how property owners may be able to save on their NFIP premiums by getting an elevation certification.

The City of Columbia participates in the National Flood Insurance Program. This allows qualified property owners in the City to purchase this federally-backed flood insurance and potentially qualify for disaster relief following severe flooding. For more information on the City of Columbia's Floodplain Management Program, visit www.ColumbiaSC.Gov/Floodplain. For more information on the federal National Flood Insurance Program, visit www.FloodSmart.gov.

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Please contact the City of Columbia Department of Utilities and Engineering at 545-3400 or Victoria Kramer (vlkramer@columbiasc.net) at 545-3227 if you have questions. If you would like to learn more about the City of Columbia's Floodplain Management Program, visit www.ColumbiaSC.Gov/Floodplain. If you would like to learn more about the City of Columbia's Department of Utilities and Engineering, visit www.ColumbiaSC.Gov/Utilities-Engineering.

Flood Insurance Information Sessions



Hosted by City of Columbia Floodplain Management

The National Flood Insurance Program is changing!

Find out what this means for **YOUR** flood insurance premium.

The City of Columbia will hold two public information sessions for property owners who have or are considering flood insurance through the NFIP overseen by FEMA.

When and Where?

- **Thursday, November 21st from 6-8 PM**
Eau Claire Print Building at 3907 Ensor Ave.
- **Wednesday, December 4th from 6-8 PM**
Lourie Center (formerly the Capital Senior Center) at 1650 Park Cir.

What Will Be Covered?

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