

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

FLOODING AND FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT



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KNOW YOUR FLOOD HAZARD

The purpose of this notification is to inform you of flood hazards associated with our local drainage-ways (Cowarts Creek, Mary's Creek, Hickory Slough, Clear Creek, and local drainage ditches) and suggest possible actions you can take to protect yourself and your property.



If you would like to know if your property is located in a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) you can use the interactive maps at pearlandtx.gov/floodplain or by scanning the QR code. On this site, select "Flood Plain Map." You can also call the Engineering Dept. for city staff to assist you in providing flood information specific to your property such as areas of floodway, repetitive loss, and natural floodplain functions.

GET FLOOD INSURANCE FOR YOUR PROPERTY

The purchase of federal flood insurance is highly recommended for all properties, whether located in the floodplain or not. Basic homeowner's insurance policies do not cover damage from floods, and there is a 30-day waiting period before a new policy takes effect. The City of Pearland participates in the National Flood Insurance Program which means that federally subsidized flood insurance is available to everyone in the city. Call the Engineering Department at 281-652-1900 for questions about flood insurance.

FLOOD SAFETY

There are many ways to keep your home and family safe from flooding. Prepare a family evacuation plan and designate a place where your family can meet after an evacuation order is issued. Make an emergency supply kit for your home. Sign up at pearlandtx.gov/alerts to receive community information such as emergency communication via text message, emails, and phone calls. Follow the City of Pearland on Facebook to see all watches, warnings, and other weather-related information issued by the National Weather Service.

PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY FROM THE FLOOD HAZARD

Ensure that landscape areas and other areas around your home are graded or sloped to drain away from the building. This can prevent water from pooling around your foundation.

Don't dump in storm drains as they lead to Galveston Bay. Keep storm sewer inlets clean and free of debris. Per the City's Chapter 30 ordinance, it is illegal to dump any type of debris into a storm sewer inlet, ditch, creek, bayou, or other drainage way. If you see any illegal dumping, please contact Code Enforcement at 281-652-1766.

Contact the Engineering Department, for property protection advice and financial assistance advice for pre/post flood mitigation or to have someone visit your property to discuss advice on retrofitting.

FLOODPLAIN DEVELOPMENT PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

The City of Pearland has a Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance that requires a Development Permit for building, excavation, grading, filling, paving, or otherwise developing in the floodplain. Contact the Building Dept. at 281-652-1638 to see if a permit is needed before you make any repairs or improvements to your home.

**Contact the Engineering Dept. for More Information
281.652.1900**