

Is your property in a floodplain?

Pikes Peak Regional Building Department's web site provides a direct link to floodplain maps on the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) web site. The following information is a guide to locate your property on the maps and print a copy for your records. For more information, call the Floodplain Office at 327-2907.

- **Go to:** www.pprbd.org
 - Select** **Floodplain from the top pull down menu bar**
 - Click** **Information and Resources**
 - Click** **Floodplain Determination by Address, under Link to Resources**
(You are now linked to FEMA mapping.)

- **To access flood maps:**
 - Enter** **Address, City and State**
Only provide the zip code as the minimum information if address is unknown or cannot be located on the map. When the street grid map is displayed, locate the closest proximity to the address. In some cases a browser pop-up blocker may need to be temporarily disabled.
 - Press** **ALT/TAB** keys and hold down to open the FEMA Map Flood Store page if it is not displayed.
 - Open** **FEMA Map Flood Store page** (If it's near a map break, more than one map selection may appear.)
 - Click** **View** button (green) to open a map.
 - Press** **Zoom** or **click** on an area on the map to enlarge. Explore the map to find the specific area of interest. Note the exact location before proceeding to the next step.

- **To print a Firmette:**
 - Click** **Make a Firmette** icon. (Note: The Firmette is not ready to print. This is a preliminary step.)
 - Select** **Map area of the Firmette.** Put the cursor on the pink highlighted area in the upper left corner of the map. Press and hold the left mouse button to drag to the specific map location preferred. Release the mouse button. When the highlighted box is in the correct location, proceed to the next step.

- **To print:**
 - Select** **Adobe PDF** or other image file. Information will appear on a new screen.
A preview of the Firmette will appear on a new screen.
 - Click** **Save Your Firmette** if information is correct. If incorrect, press the back arrow to make adjustments.
 - Click** **Open file.** The firmette will be displayed in Adobe PDF (or other image file if requested) with panel number, scale and information.
 - Press** **Print**

- **Note:** The dark gray areas on the maps indicate the 100-year floodplain. If a portion or all of the parcel is located in this type of area, flood insurance may be required. A property that is partially or fully situated in a designated floodplain must obtain a permit from the Floodplain Office before making any modifications to the land or structures. The Floodplain maps do not show all new streets or subdivisions. In some cases street names may have changed since the maps were published. Care must be taken to confirm the location of the property.

About the Floodplain Office of Regional Building Department

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) maps 100-year floodplains and sets regulations for alteration, construction and modification in these designated areas. The Floodplain Office of Pikes Peak Regional Building Department enforces FEMA regulations through investigation and notification to correct violations, public education, evaluation of construction plans to determine if the property is located within a floodplain, and review of applications for Floodplain Development Permits. The permit is required for new construction, alteration to an existing structure and/or modification to property within a floodplain that includes zone designations A, AO, AE and AH. For more information call the Floodplain Office at 719-327-2907.