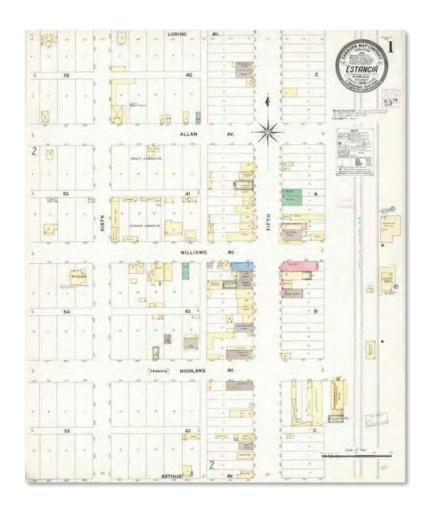


### New Mexico's Risk MAP Program





September 4, 2024 Shawn L. Penman, PhD CTP Program Coordinator



### Western Estancia Watershed Discovery Meeting Protocol

- In person attendees please sign in
- Virtual attendees please put your name, title, community, and email address in the chat box.
- Please mute your line
- Type questions in the chat box
- Thank you for attending

## Agenda

- What is Risk MAP?
- Base Level Engineering
- Discovery
- Why is Discovery Important?
- Western Estancia Watershed history
- Data to be Collected from the Community
- Next Steps

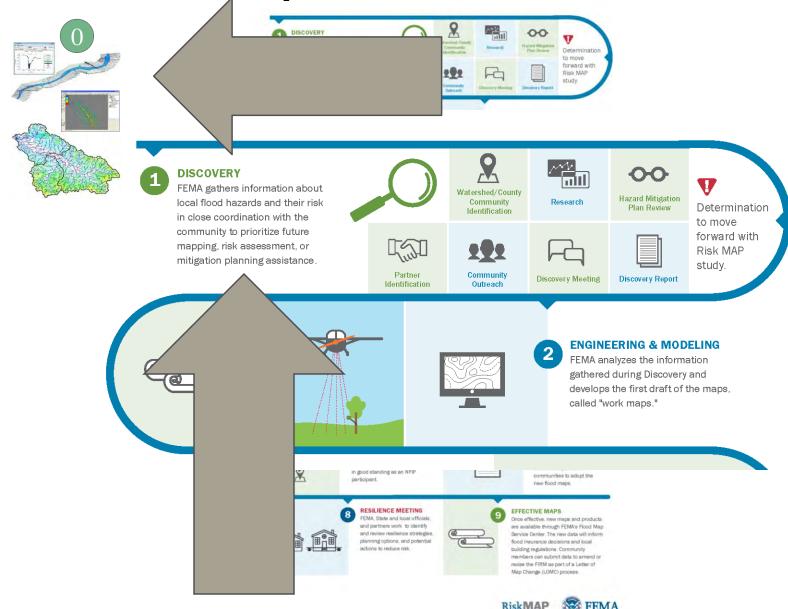


### What is Risk MAP?

- Mapping Identification of areas of natural hazard risk
- Assessment Review and analysis of hazard areas
- Planning Mitigation activities to reduce risk

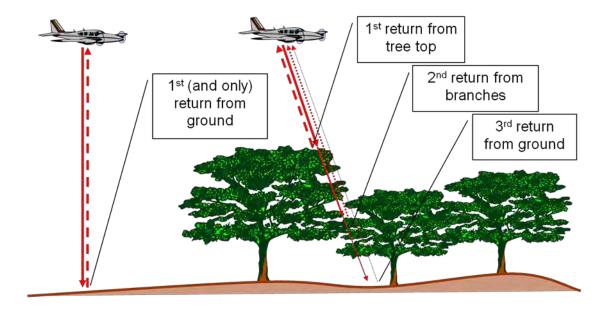


Risk Map Process

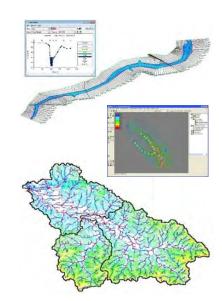


# Base Level Engineering

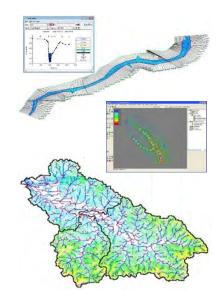
• 2014, 2017 & 2018 QL-2 Lidar collected



• 2021 Base Level Engineering

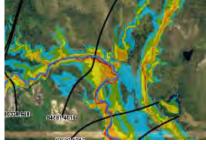


# Base Level Engineering provides:



Credible engineering analysis and modeling for local communities and developers.





Estimation of flood extents, water surface elevations and flood depths



Scalable and may be adopted as by communities & inform development decisions.

# Base Level Engineering



#### What is Base Level Engineering?

- Large scale engineering assessment resulting in engineering modeling and flood datasets.
- BLE is NOT a FIRM, but data/modeling produced can support future FIRM update.
- Provides data that may be used in coordination with available FIRM information to support local development decision making.
- When it closely matches the FIRM or is more restrictive, it can be adopted by communities to regulate land use development.



### Why Base Level Engineering?

- FIRM updates require a lot of time, some have no data.
- Data to review current FEMA flood hazard inventory.
- Provides communities flood extents and model data to support community.



# **Guidance for Flood Risk Analysis and Mapping**

Base Level Engineering (BLE) Analysis and Mapping

November 2023



### Base Level Engineering is a Watershed Approach

- Allows use of updated flood risk information for unmapped areas or those that have paper maps.
- Delivers updated flood risk information in advance of new flood maps.
- Can be adopted any time for floodplain management.
- BLE can be used for creating digital flood maps where only paper ones or no maps existed before.

### **Creating Base Level Engineering Data**



Terrain Data Collection

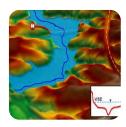
Is ground elevation Information readily-Available, or must it be Collected?



Hydrology

How much water are we talking about?

When will it get here?



Hydraulics

How does it react in the stream?



Floodplain Mapping

What areas are impacted?

### https://webapps.usgs.gov/infrm/EstBFE/

### Welcome to the

Base Level Engineering assessments are produced using high resolution ground data to create technically creditable flood hazard information that may be used to expand and modernize FEMA's current flood hazard inventory.



#### View Base Level Engineering Data

Access all available Base Level Engineering data without GIS software.

- Click the DATA LAYERS button to add or remove map layers.
- Click the LEGEND tab to view an explanation of all data shown.
- Click the MAP VIEW button to open or close a second viewing window for side-by-side comparisons.

#### Estimated Base Flood Elevation Viewer



#### Download Datasets & Models

Download the Base Level Engineering data presented in the viewer.

- Click the DATA LAYERS button and add the DOWNLOADABLE DATA layer,
- Click shaded areas in the map to open a dialog for choosing datasets to download.



#### Property Look Up

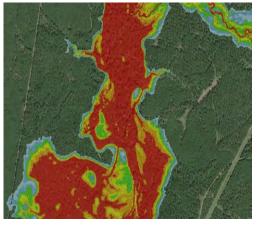
Where data is available, produce a property-specific report with estimated base flood information.

 Click the REPORT tab to create a flood risk report is specific location.

Click a topic to get started!

## Base Level Engineering



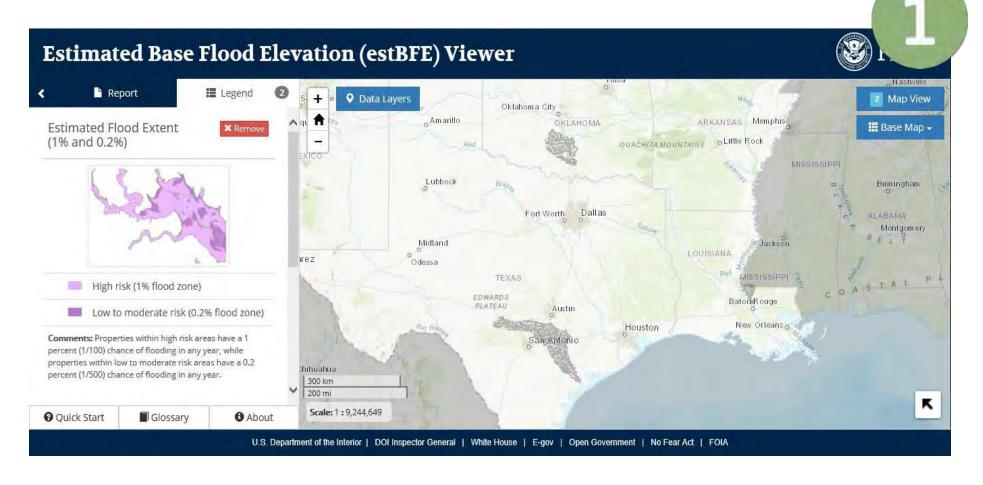


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### Products

- Hydraulic Engineering Models:
  10%, 4%, 2%, 1%, 1%+, 1%-, 0.2%
- Estimated Flood Extents: 10%, 1% and 0.2%
- Estimated Water Surface Grids: 1% and 0.2%
- Estimated Flood Depth Grids: 1% and 0.2%
- Additional Purchased (R6)
  - HAZUS Level 2 Analysis

View the Base Level Engineering Data



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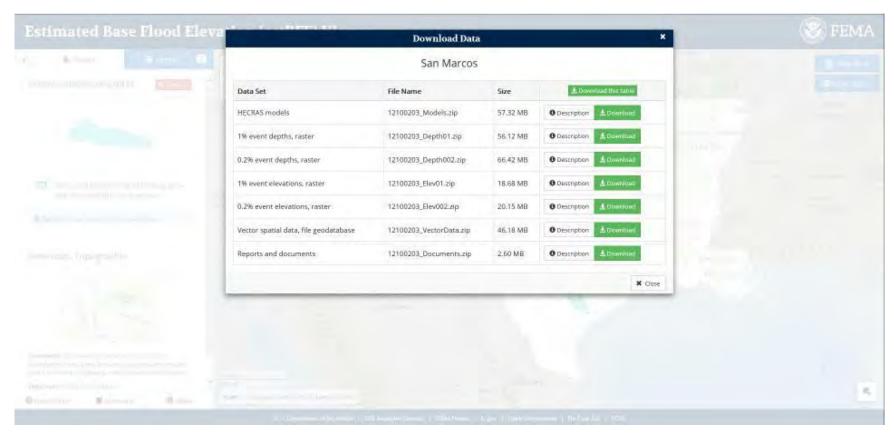




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### Download the Data





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# Site-Specific Report





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### Report Features



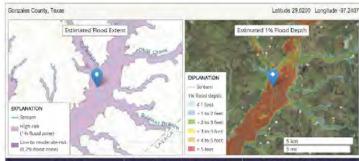




#### Flood Risk Information Report

FEMA is providing a look at flood data availability and relative Base Level Engineering analysis through the Estimated Base Flood Elevation Viewer (Estimated BFF Viewer), Base Level Engineering uses high resolution ground elevation data, flood flow calculations, and fundamental engineering modeling techniques to define flood extents for streams. The viewer is an effective tool for property owners, community officials, and land developers to identify flood risk, estimated flood elevations, and flood depths for watersheds where Base Level Engineering has been prepared.

FEMA's Estimated Base Flood Elevation (BFE) Report



- 10	Flood Event	Estimated Flood Depth*	Estimated Base Flood Elevation*	
	1 Percent (100 Year)	3.7 feet above land surface	288.9 feet NAVID 1988	
	0.2 Percent (500 Year)	6.4 feet above land surface	291.6 feet NAVD 1988	

\* The information included in this report is based on the location marker shown in the map. Results are not considered an official determination.

Information made available from the Estimated BFE Viewer needs to be accepted by local community officials to be used for insurance rating purposes.

#### Knowing Your Risk

Base Level Engineering data avails offly and enables information is important because it are because the

- Irlann loudplair management decisions and ordinance as ministration;
- Identify significant flood of ain changes:
- Services base modeling for map covisions; and
- Support the Zone A 6-E Information for a Jetter of Map Amendment (LOMA) requisit.



1% and 0.2%
Estimated Flood
Depths & Estimated

BFE values

1% and 0.2%

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### How Can We Use BLE?













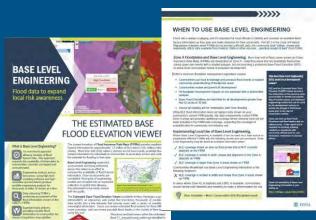


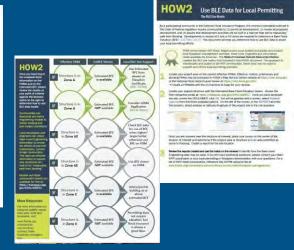






### www.fema.gov/about/organization/region-6/base-levelengineering-ble-tools-and-resources















## Hazard Mitigation Planning

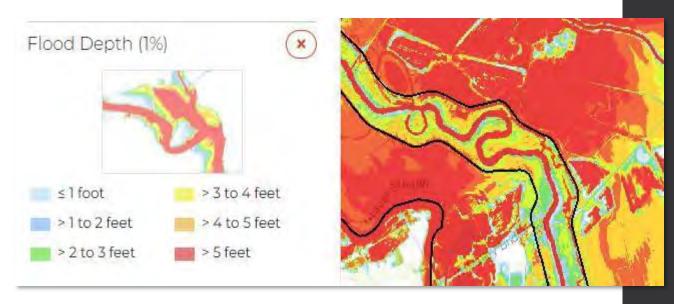
### **Hazard Mitigation Plans:**

- Five-year update cycle
- Affects federal aid eligibility
- Requires hazard data...BLE!



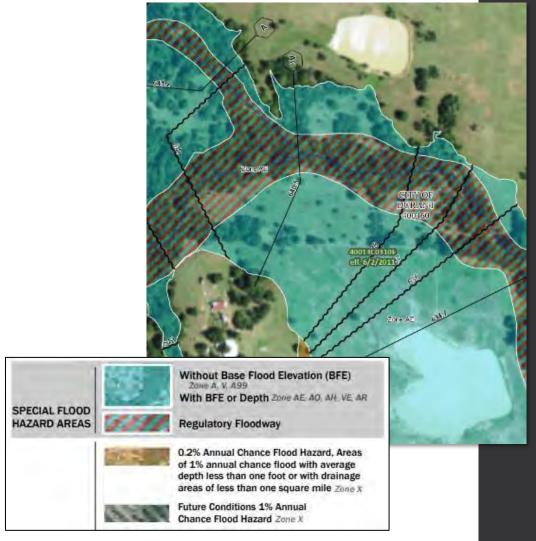
### Risk Assessment: Extent

- Extent is the range of anticipated
  - intensities of the identified hazard.
- Measure of a hazard event's strength:
  - Value on an established scientific scale or measurement system.
  - Other measures of magnitude, such as water depth or wind speed.
  - Scales must also include narratives that
  - relate to the planning area.
- Check your state HMP for details.



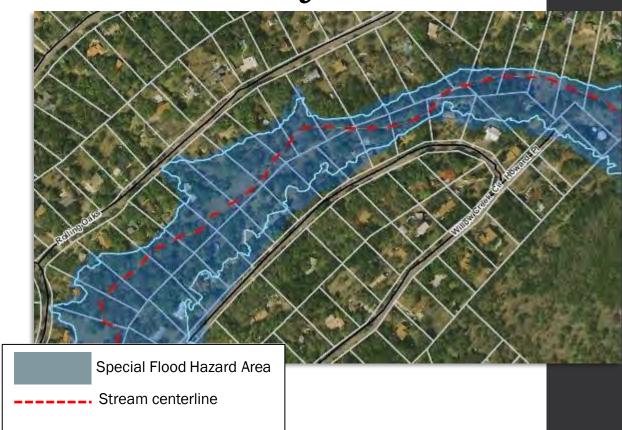
# Risk Assessment: Probability of Future Flood Events\*

- When looking at vulnerability, consider how
  - often hazards occur.
    - □ 10%, 1%, or 0.2% Annual Chance?
    - Each chance has different risk to the area.
- Prepare for future changes in the area.
  - Population change, land development, relocation.
  - What has stayed the same?
- Consider secondary hazards.



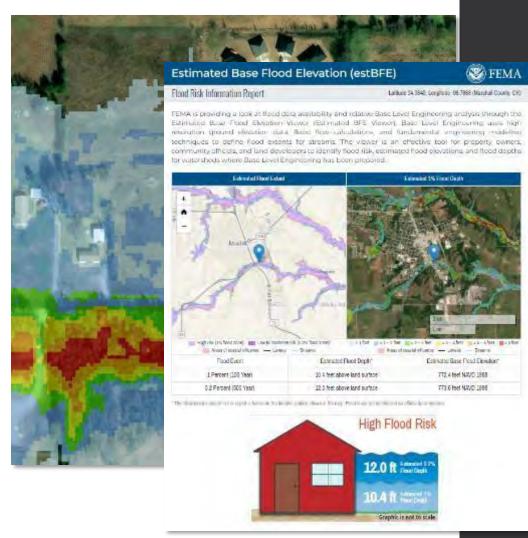
# Risk Assessment: Vulnerability

- A description of which assets are at risk from the effects of the identified hazard(s).
  - Includes structures, systems, populations and other assets as defined by the community
- Needs a summary of vulnerabilities of all participating judications.
  - Include current and future assets.
  - What makes the people and risk susceptible to damage?
  - Have a problem statement of the hazard and its effects.
- BLE data can assist in a manual assessment, though that does not meet the entirety of the requirement.



## Risk Assessment: Impact

- Impacts are the consequences during
  - hazard events.
    - Lives lost.
    - Injuries.
    - Property damage.
- The risk assessment describes potential
  - impacts for current and future conditions.
    - Climate change, population shift, change in
    - land use.



# Emergency Management

#### **Disaster Preparedness and Planning Activities**

- Identifying and planning evacuation routes
- Evacuation shelter planning
- Flood warning systems
- Reverse-911 systems
- Social vulnerability assessments

#### **Disaster Response Activities**

- First responder route-finding and access
- Shelter monitoring

### **Disaster Recovery Activities**

- Flood event/high water mark comparisons
- Infrastructure repair and rebuilding
- BFEs for repairs and re-construction





# Letters of Map Change

- Communities can use BLEs for Letter of Map Amendment (LOMA) submittals.
- Use where there are no data.
- Use where data are more conservative or similar to existing data(Zone A).

### How to Request a Letter of Map Amendment (LOMA) or Letter of Map Revision Based on Fill (LOMR-F)

- The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) applies rigorous standards to develop Flood Insurance The recers Emergency Management agency (FEMA) applies rigorous standards to general ricod insurance.

  Rate Maps (FIRMs) and uses the most accurate hazard information available. However, limitations in the scale Mate maps (FIRMS) and uses the most accurate hezard information available. However, limitations in the scale or detail of the source maps used to prepare a FIRM may cause small elevated areas to be included in a Special or aecan or the source maps used to prepare a ritter may cause small elevated areas to be included in a ope Flood Hazord Arca (SFHA). SFHAs are high-risk areas subject to inundation by the base (1%-annual-chance) riood hazera area (3FHA). SFMAS are nightnak areas subject to inumastion by the base (3%-annual-chair flood. They are also known as 1%-annual-chaire floodplains, base floodplains or 100-year floodplains.
  - FEMA provides two ways to challenge the flood hazard designation for properties in these areas. The LOMA FEMA provides two ways to challenge the floor hazard designation for properties in these areas. The LOMA process is for properties on haturally high ground, and the LOMR-F process is for properties elevated by fill. process is not properties on naturally high ground, and the commit process is not properties alevated by hit.

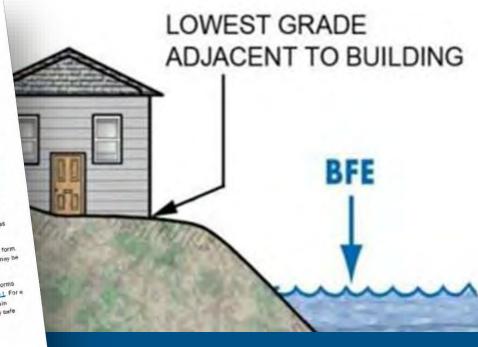
    LOMAs and LOMR-Fs can officially amend an effective FIRM. They can establish that a property is not in an 5FHA. By doing so, they remove the federal flood insurance requirement.

- The LOMA application form is on the FEMA website at <a href="https://www.femu.gov/flood-mans/shange-your-food">https://www.femu.gov/flood-mans/shange-your-food</a> THE LUMPA SUPPLICATION FOR THE FEMAL WEIGHTS OF INTERS. //www.tema.gov/tiood-maps/change-your Food governments. FEMA does not charge a fee to review a LOMA request, but requesters must Obtaining a LOMA or LOMR-F provide specific mapping and survey information for their property. For FEMA to remove a structure from the provide specific mapping and survey information for trief property. For FEMA to remove a structure from die SFHA through the LOMA process, the lowest ground touching the structure, or Lowest Adjacent Grade (LAGI,
- If the property information shows that the structure is outside the SFHA, the property is referred to as "out as
- If elevation information is required, the requester should submit the data requested on the MT-EZ or MT-1 form. If elevation information is required, the requester should submit the data requested on the MT-EL or MT-1 form.

  Requesters may instead opt to submit an Elevation Certificate that includes the LAG elevation data. One may be
- If the property has been elevated by fill, the requester will need to use the LOMR-F process. Application forms If the property has been enevated by the use requisitions are the current process, approximation forms and the available at https://www.fema.sos/flood-mass/change-your-flood-sone/onner-annitration-forms/mth. For a are available at <a href="https://www.tema.sov/dood-mang/change-your-food-zone/gaper-sondication-forms/mb-1">https://www.tema.sov/dood-mang/change-your-food-zone/gaper-sondication-forms/mb-1</a>
  LOMR-F to remove the SFHA decignation, the LAG must be at or above the BFE, and community floodplain LUMENT to remove the STRA designation, the LAS must be at of above the STRA are reasonably safe officials must determine that the land and any structures to be removed from the SFRA are reasonably safe.

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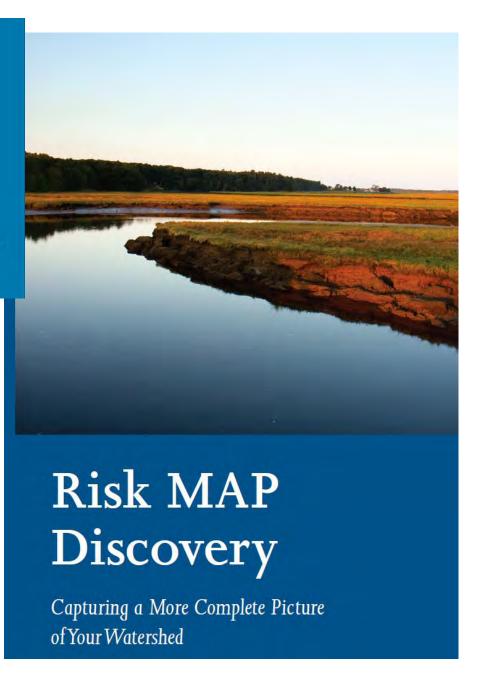
### Risk MAP Discovery

#### The Goal

To work closely with communities to better understand local flood risk, mitigation efforts, and other topics and spark watershed-wide discussions about increasing resilience to flooding. The Discovery process of FEMA's Risk MAP program helps communities identify areas at risk for flooding and solutions for reducing that risk.

# Discovery

Next Step



### Discovery

Holistic view of a geographic area; watersheds cross jurisdictional borders –
 Ownership of Risk

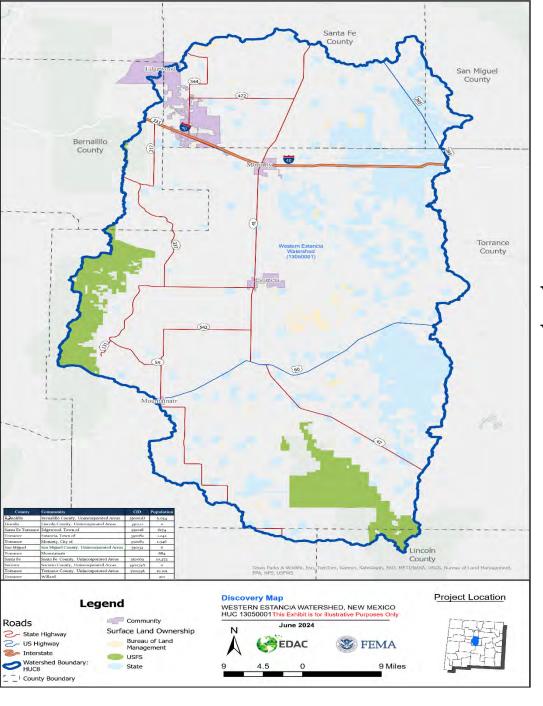
• Develop partnerships, combine resources, share flood risk information, develop a vision for the watershed – Whole Community

 Identifying and empowering communities to take action to reduce their flood risk -Resiliency

## Why is Discovery Important?

- Provide flood risk information
- Know your risk
- Review Mitigation Plans
- Discuss mitigation opportunities





### Western Estancia Watershed

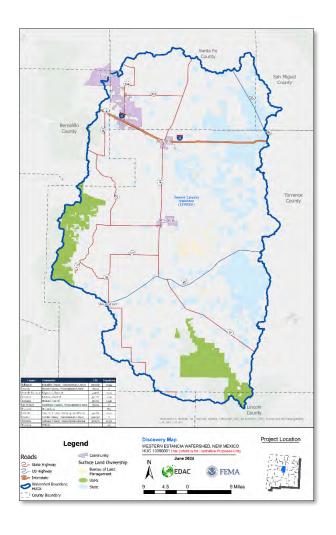
### History and Local Issues

#### Western Estancia Watershed

- 2,423 square miles
- 35 LOMA

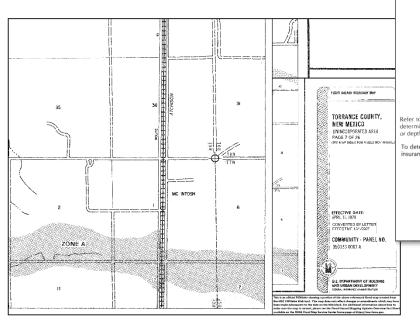
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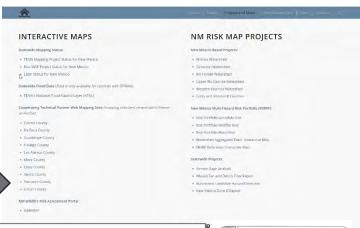
- · Bernalillo County
- Lincoln County
- Town of Edgewood
- City of Moriarty
- San Miguel County
- · Santa Fe County
- Socorro County
- Torrance County
- · Village of Willard
- Historical Floods in Western Estancia Watershed?
- Flood Zones Paper Maps

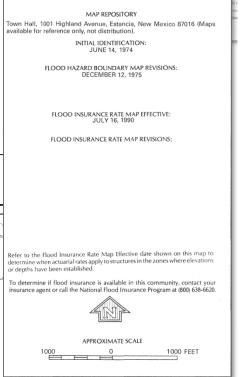


### FIRM Status

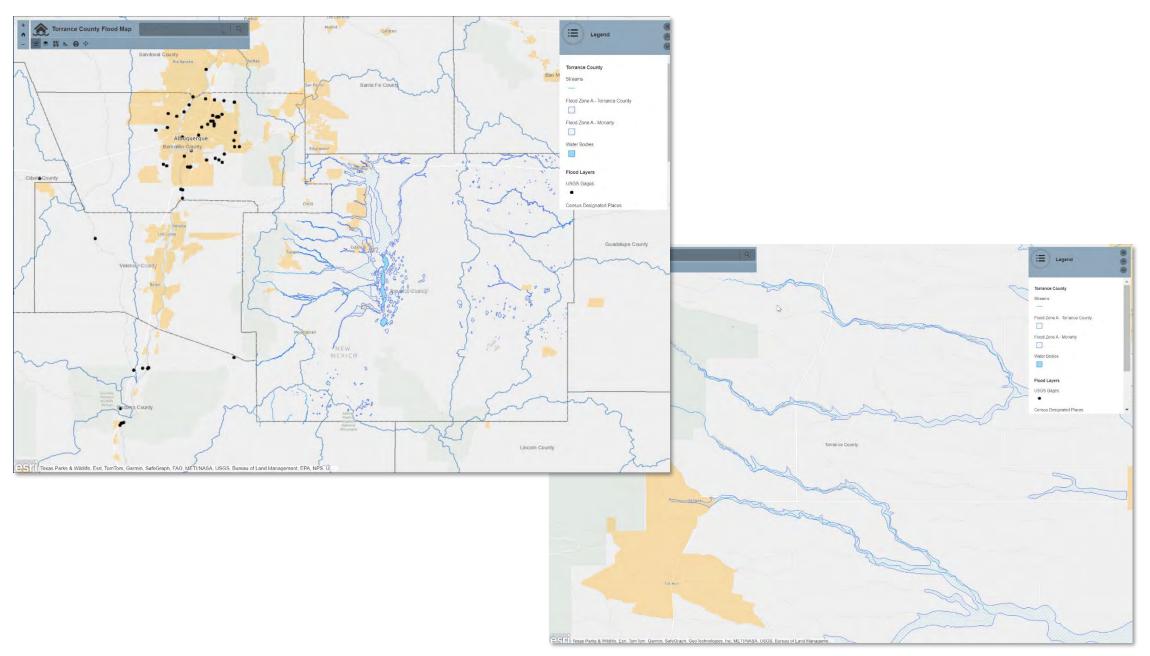
- Torrance County Paper maps, no digital data
- EDAC Digitized the maps and created a Web app viewer











 $\underline{https://edac.maps.arcgis.com/apps/View/index.html?appid=224e2f56d7f345df97e9d444053f5f84}$ 

### Participants in Discovery

- New Mexico Floodplain Coordinator
- State Hazard Mitigation Officer
- FEMA Region 6
- Shawn L. Penman, NM CTP Coordinator

- Local elected officials
- Regional authorities
- Local floodplain administrators
- Local emergency management officials
- Local watershed groups

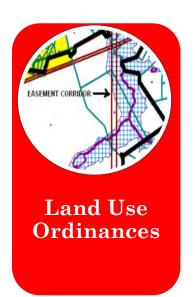
### What Kind of Information?

- Areas of repeated flooding
- Future development plans
- Areas of low water crossings
- High water marks from recent floods
- Flood risk concerns

- Areas of Mitigation Interest
- Master drainage plans, flood risk reduction projects and large areas of fill placement
- Local Hazard Mitigation Plans
- Other flood risk information

# What Mitigation Actions will you take?

- Mitigation is any sustained action taken to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to life and property
  - What are some areas of mitigation interest in your community?

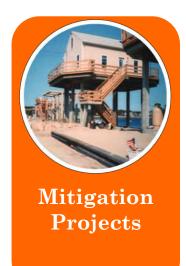




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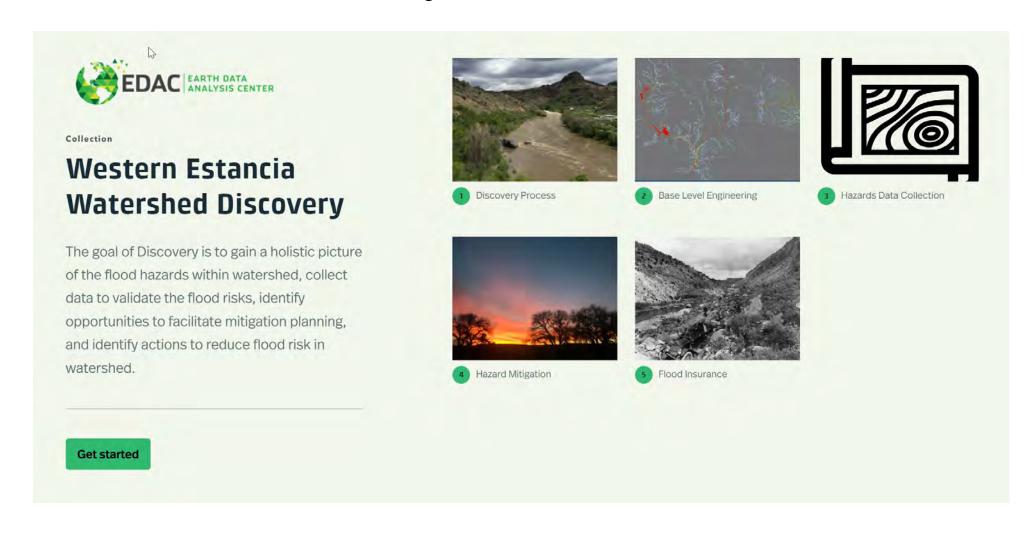
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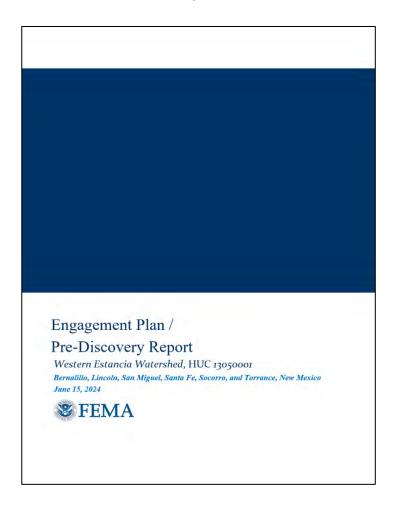


## Discovery Resources



https://arcg.is/1Crzj9

## Pre-Discovery Report

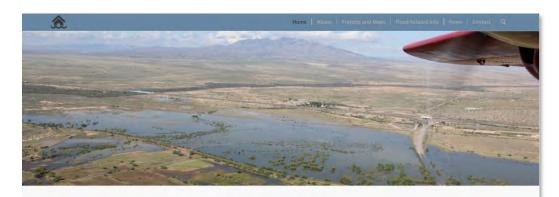


https://edac.unm.edu/projects/nmflood/Western\_Estancia\_PreDiscovery\_Report.pdf

### Next Steps

- Discovery Findings Meeting September 18, 2024 (Virtual)
  - Report on information gathered
  - Mitigation activities
- Information gathered will help the communities make better informed decisions to address the flood hazard risks that are identified
- FEMA and the CTP will determine the path forward and scope for the study based on data and discussions with community

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A collaborative resource to promote New Mexico flood risk awareness and resiliency



#### Watershed Projects

Discovery Project Areas

- · Western Estancia Watershed
- Rio Chama Watershed
- Upper Rio Grande Watershed
- Valencia County
- . Curry and Roosevelt Counties

Base Level Engineering Project Areas

- Animas Watershed
- Cimarron Watershed
- Rio Hondo Watershed
- Upper Rio Grande Watershed
- . Curry & Roosevelt Counties
- Rio Chama Watershed
- Southern Sandoval County Arroyo and Flood Control Authority (SSCAFCA)
- Western Estancia Watershed

#### Special Projects

Lidar Building Footprint Toolbar

The LiDAR Building Extraction Toolbox for LiDAR LAS 1.4 files works with ESRI ArcGIS version 10.4, 10.5 and ArcGIS Pro.

- . LiDAR Building Footprint Extraction Tool User Guide
- . LiDAR Building Footprint Extraction Tool
- Video Playlist LiDAR Building Footprint Tool Download

#### Risk Portfolio Flood Risk Other Statewide Projects

Statewide Projects

Resources

New Mexico Debris Flow Story Map &

New Mexico Multi-Hazard Risk Portfolio

Risk Portfolio Landslide Risk

Risk Portfolio Wildfire Risk

- Stream Gage Analysis
- · Alluvial Fan and Debris Flow Report · Automated Landslide Hazard Detection
- New Mexico Zone D Report

#### Interactive Maps

Statewide flood data

 FEMA's National Flood Hazard Layer (NFHL)

Region VI Viewers

Estimated Base Flood Elevation (estBFE)

CTP Interactive Maps

. Lidar Status for New Mexico

#### Story Maps

- Impacts of September 2013 Flooding in New Mexico
- . Turn Around Don't Drown New Mexico



### View of Mountainair from the north, New Mexico, 1909. Courtesy of the Palace of the Governors Photo Archives (NMHM/DCA), Negative No. HP.2014.02.1.

# Questions?

Western Estancia Watershed Discovery Meeting September 4, 2024

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