

Public Notice

The **City of D'Iberville** strives to deliver the best service possible and we are doing this with the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). Since 1968, FEMA's NFIP has been successful in assisting flood victims and helping them to get back on their feet. As you may know, the NFIP provides federally backed flood insurance that encourages communities to enact Floodplain Management (FPM) regulations. In 1990 the NFIP implemented the Community Rating System as a voluntary incentive program that recognizes community FPM activities that exceed the minimum NFIP regulations.

The **City of D'Iberville** participates in the NFIP Community Rating System (CRS). To obtain and improve our current 15% flood insurance discount, we are working toward the *three* goals of the CRS: flood loss reduction, facilitating an accurate insurance rating, and *promoting* awareness of flood hazards and insurance.

Please be aware, ALL locations are subject to flood risk. It is vital to be aware of the flood risk in order to preserve life and property. Locations subject to flood risk are either in a low, moderate, or high risk area. Land areas that are at high flood risk are called Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHAs). SFHAs do exist within the **City of D'Iberville**. These areas are indicated on Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs). The new Digital Flood Insurance Rate Maps (DFIRMs) are the current-effective FIRMs as of June 16, 2009.

Please be advised, a permit is required for ALL development. Filling and similar projects require a permit and are prohibited in certain areas. To ensure that structures will be protected from flood damage, the **Building Division** regulates all development in SFHAs. Compliance with our Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance (FDPO) is required. ANY development without a permit is NON-compliant and may result in daily fines and /or removal of the NON-compliant construction. To view our FDPO please visit our website at www.diberville.ms.us/building-division

Note: Within SFHAs, new Construction must be elevated 1ft above the Base Flood Elevation (BFE) and existing structures substantially damaged by flood (equal or exceed 50% of the market value) must be elevated 1ft above the BFE before they are repaired.

The **Building Division** is available to assist in providing more information on FPM regulations. Upon request, the following FIRM information will be provided:

- The Community Number
- The Map Panel Number and Suffix
- The Date of the FIRM's Index (cover panel)
- The BFE shown on the FIRM
- The Elevation Datum used on the FIRM
- The availability of Elevation Certificates (ECs) for review

To ensure that accurate information is received, please be prepared to provide the lot and block number, parcel number, legal description, or other identifying information when making your request.

If you have any questions or would like to schedule an appointment, please visit our office or phone between the hours of 8am-5pm Monday-Friday.

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