

IF YOU DISAGREE WITH THE UPDATED FLOOD HAZARD MAP

The Federal Emergency Management Agency and the City of Prescott are finalizing a Letter of Map Revision (LOMR). This LOMR updates certain portions of the City's current flood map. Community members are able to review the revised areas online. To see how your property may be affected, visit <https://prescott-az.gov/floodmap/> and click on the Flood Hazard Map Viewer.

If you disagree with the new flood risk identified for your property after viewing the map, there is a way to try to amend it through a process known as **Letter of Map Change**. A property owner can submit a request for Letter of Map Change (LOMC), which if approved, will officially change the flood risk around a building from a high-risk area to a moderate-low risk area. The opportunity to file a LOMC to change the updated flood map occurs **after** the LOMR becomes effective on July 31, 2024.

LETTER OF MAP CHANGES (LOMCs)

Due to map scale limitations, some property owners with individual lots or structures may believe their building is incorrectly shown within the high-risk area (Zone AE, known as a Special Flood Hazard Area, or SFHA). Once the preliminary flood maps become effective (targeted for mid-2024), they may submit mapping and survey information to FEMA to request a Letter of Map Amendment (LOMA), or Letter of Map Revision Based on Fill (LOMR-F). This officially changes the property's flood zone from a high-risk Zone AE to a moderate-low risk Zone X on the new maps after they are effective.

This process may also remove the Federal Mandatory Purchase Requirement when the LOMA or LOMR-F becomes effective. While your lender may no longer require flood insurance, it does not mean the risk of flooding has been removed; it is only reduced. You are strongly encouraged to continue to carry flood insurance. More than 30% of flood claims in Arizona come from policyholders in moderate-low risk flood zones.

For more information on LOMAs and LOMR-Fs, visit these FEMA resources:

- [Change Your Zone Designation](#)
- [How to Request a Letter of Map Amendment \(LOMA\) or Letter of Map Revision Based on Fill \(LOMR-F\) Fact Sheet](#)
- [Electronic Letter of Map Amendment \(eLOMA\) Fact Sheet](#)

If you have questions, contact the City's Floodplain Administration at FloodplainAdministrationGroup@prescott-az.gov or call (928) 777-1130.