## KLAMATH COUNTY FLOOD MAPS HAVE BEEN UPDATED AND ARE AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW

In cooperation with the state, county, tribes, and other local communities, FEMA has updated flood maps to more accurately represent the risk of flooding in Klamath County. FEMA has developed a virtual StoryMap website for residents to learn more about what these flood maps mean for Klamath County. You can access the StoryMap by visiting <a href="https://bit.ly/klamathstorymap">bit.ly/klamathstorymap</a>.

Via the StoryMap, property owners and community residents can learn about the flood mapping process, what the changes mean for them, and information about flood insurance. Residents can also find direct contact information should they need additional help or information.

The city of Merrill encourages community members to visit the website, learn more about your flood risk, and ask additional questions via the contact information provided on the website. You can preview the maps at <a href="mailto:bit.ly/klamathmapcomparison">bit.ly/klamathmapcomparison</a>, or request a flood map for your property by emailing <a href="mailto:PropertyIDMap@starr-team.com">PropertyIDMap@starr-team.com</a>.

Flooding is the most common and expensive natural disaster in the United States. Statistics show that homes in the high-risk areas on flood maps have a 26-% chance of being flooded at some point during a 30-year mortgage. Learn more about the costs of flooding and flood insurance on the FloodSmart website at www.floodsmart.gov.

Find more information on flooding and flood safety at <a href="https://www.klamathcounty.org/810/Floods">https://www.klamathcounty.org/810/Floods</a>. While federal flood insurance is not available to property owners within the city of Merrill, the city is actively considering joining the National Flood Insurance Program so that you can purchase flood insurance in the future.

## **Suggested Social Media Posts**

## Facebook or long-form social media

Suggested Post	Image (link):
The flood maps in Klamath County are changing. Visit this website to learn more about local flood risk and hear from the experts about what this means to you!	https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/fab9188 dd4234d76b1f81c1ebabce58f/page/page_0/
Anywhere it rains, it can flood. How extensively can vary from neighborhood to neighborhood and even property to property. Learn from experts about how local flood hazards have changed through this online resource: Klamath County StoryMap	https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/fab9188 dd4234d76b1f81c1ebabce58f/page/page_0/

## Twitter or short-form social media

Suggested Post	Image (link):
Click here to learn how the updated flood maps affect Klamath County.	https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/fab9 188dd4234d76b1f81c1ebabce58f/page/page _0/
What's a flood map? Learn how the new one affects you by clicking <u>here</u> .	https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/fab9 188dd4234d76b1f81c1ebabce58f/page/page _0/
Have questions about flooding, flood insurance, or flood maps? Get answers from the experts by visiting this <u>link</u> .	https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/fab9188 dd4234d76b1f81c1ebabce58f/page/page_0/