

A SANTA ROSA COUNTY GUIDE TO HAZARD AND FLOOD PROTECTION

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Everyone is in a flood zone! What is your Flood Risk? We are here to answer your questions. You can find a wealth of information about the flood insurance rate maps, coastal high hazard areas, coastal barrier resources system information, natural conservation areas, flood insurance, special rules for building or repairing a structure in a floodplain, historical flood information, wetland information, ideas for protecting your property from flood damages.

To find out more about your flood risk, call Santa Rosa County Development Services Floodplain Management at 850-981-7029 or email karent@santarosa.fl.gov. You can also visit <https://cloud.santarosa.fl.gov/Gomaps/> or www.floodsmart.gov. We can provide you with a flood determination, written, oral or by e-mail. Whether or not flood insurance purchase is mandatory or an option. For your convenience we have attached a flyer on the Mandatory purchase requirements. Other flood insurance questions or assistance. Elevation certificates are available for most structures in the floodplain.

Attached is information on the Coastal Barrier Resources System or if the property is in an Otherwise protected area. Or you can visit www.fws.gov/CBRA

We can provide information on the Limit of Moderate Wave Action (LiMWA) which will be on our preliminary mapping which is expected in late 2019 or if the property is located in a riverine floodway.

We also have available information on local drainage or stormwater problem areas. If you are interested in Sea Level Rise and the possible effects on your property please visit <https://ss2.climatecentral.org> type in the city and state in the search box.

We can help you understand the elevation of possible flood elevations at or around your property using historical flood data and the elevation certificates for surround properties or the flood insurance rate maps, flood insurance study profiles or topographic information in the County system.

Coastal erosion and Coastal A zones are something that the county staff can assist you in understanding and determining the risk for your property. Santa Rosa County is a Storm Ready and Tsunami Ready Community.

Wonder if your property has ever flooded? We can look up historical flooding information for you. We also have high water mark signs located at County parks around Santa Rosa County. We can tell you if the area is in a mapped repetitive loss area. In some cases there are photos of past flooding in Santa Rosa County that are available to give you an indication of what can occur in areas that are non-special flood hazard areas.

Wetlands information is available at : www.fws.gov/wetlands/data/mapper.html or we can look it up for you.

Critical Habitat information is available at : <http://criticalhabitat.fws.gov/crithab/>