# GET THE FACTS ABOUT RISK RATING 2.0

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**2022 NAR Vice Chair, Insurance Committee** 

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#### **AGENDA**

- Overview and Welcome
- Current FEMA Insurance Rating System
- Risk Rating 2.0 What REALTORS Need to Know
- Realtor® Resources
- Thank you!

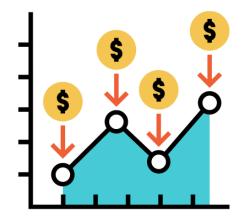


### **NFIP - National Flood Insurance Program**



\$60 Billion Collected since the 1970s COST

\$96 Billion Paid Out



- Hurricane Katrina in 2005 had the highest NFIP payouts, at \$16.3 billion.
- Hurricane Harvey ranked second with \$8.9 billion in NFIP payouts.
- Superstorm Sandy, ranked third, with \$8.8 billion in NFIP payouts.
- Hurricane Irma, ranked ninth with \$1.1 billion in payouts.
- Hurricane Ida, 2021 cost unknown but significant

Source: FEMA.gov





### 2012 Biggert-Waters Act



Wright National Flood Insurance Company A Stock Company PO Box 33003 St. Petersburg, FL, 33733 Office: 800.820.3242 x 0 Fax: 800.850.3299

\$87,574.00

Flood

#### \*AGENCY INFORMATION

Agency Number 86255

Agency

MORRIS & TEMPLETON INSURANCE

AGENCY INC

PO BOX 15088,

City, State, Zip SAVANNAH, GA 31416-1788 (912) 355-4549

Phone Number

#### Construction Date

Building Replacement Cost

Building Elevated

01/01/1986

\$300,000.00

Building is elevated

#### COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Program Type Community

Address

77

Flood Requiar Policies

130016 - BRYAN COUNTY \*

Zone Determination Number

Zone Reference Nu

DRP00000000005862342

Flood Risk/Rated Zone

VE

#### BUILDING INFORMATION

Property Address City, State, Zip

Occupancy Type

**Building Type Elevation Certificate** 

Basement

Lowest Floor Elevation

Location of Contents

3318 FORT MCALLISTER RD RICHMOND HILL, GA 31324-4805

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Single Family Two Floors

Yes 9.3 feet

Basement / Enclosure and Above

Finished

Condominium Cove Construction Date

**Building Replaceme Building Elevated** Elevation Difference

**Building Flood Pro** 

Enclosure

\$87,574.00

#### COVERAGE/PREMIUM INFORMATI

Coverage Building Contents

Limits \$250,000.00 \$100,000.00

Deductible \$1,000.00

RPH Basic \$1,000.00

25.00 25.00

Discount/Surcharge 1 Year Premium

IMPORTANT NOTES

THIS IS NOT AN OFFER FOR INSURANCE. THIS QUOTE IS NON-FIRM AND NON-BINDING AND SUBJECT TO REVIEW AND ADJUSTMENT.

Please submit the required documentation listed on your application summary for review and approval. If additional information is required to actuarially rate the risk, you will be contacted.





### ...Not an Option

- Hurricane Andrew market risk > market share
- Sinkhole claims
- Assignment of Benefits
- Water & Roof Claims
- Homeowners Insurance Plagued by Lawsuits
- Citizens Insurance growing
- Private companies in the red
- Reinsurance costs skyrocketing
- NFIP 1.0 not sustainable
- COBRA Zones ex. Key West
- Sea level rise & Climate events





# NAR has worked 10 years with FEMA on a Long Term, Equitable solution

**2012 -** Biggert Waters Flood Reform Act

**2014** - Homeowner Flood Insurance Affordability Act

**2015** - NAR Forms Insurance Committee to hire Actuaries and Work with FEMA



**2021** - NFIP Risk Rating 2.0

RPAC and Advocacy at work



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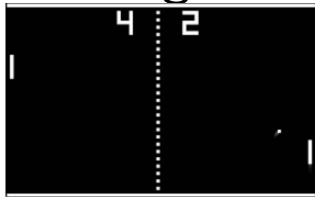






### Problem 1: Current NFIP rates developed 50

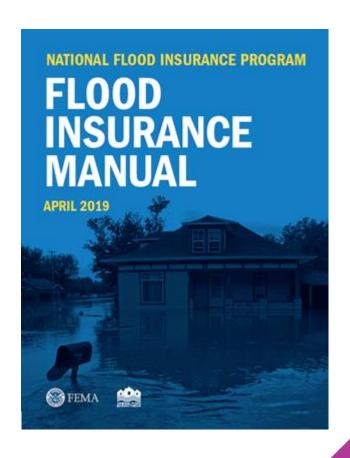
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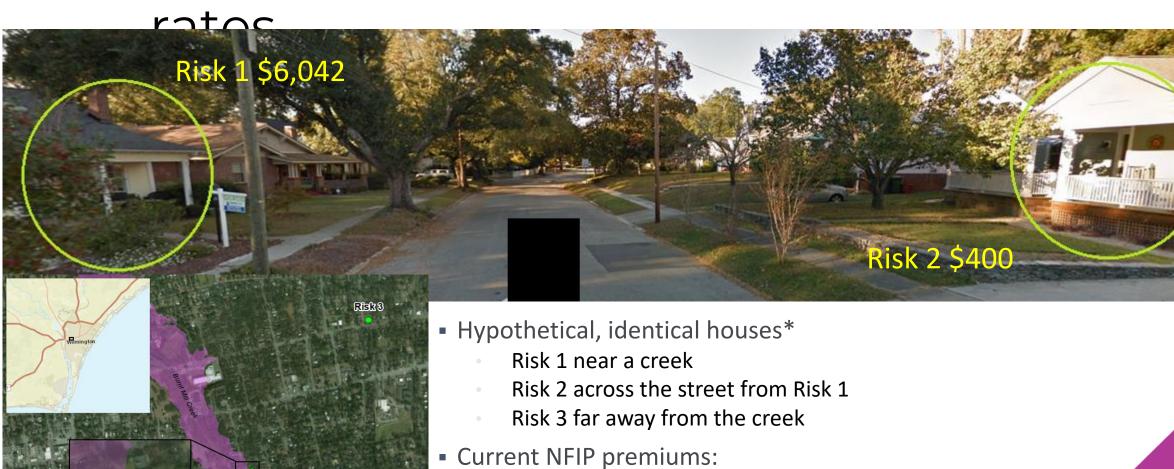


Base Flood Elevation (BFE) and Special Flood Hazard Area





### Problem 2: Neighbors with very different



Risk 1: \$6,042

Risk 2: \$400

Risk 3: \$400

AE Zone

Source: Milliman

Risk1





### Problem 3: Repetitive Loss Properties



### Herbert Street Goldsboro, North Carolina

	Hurricane	Hurricane
PROPERTY FLOOD PROFILE	Matthew	Florence
Flood Elevation (NAVD88 ft)	69.5 ft	71.6 ft
1% Base Flood Elevation	25	90
Building Type	Single-Family	Single-Family
Flood Elevation in Structure	4.3 ft	6.6 ft
Estimated Cost to Repair Structure **	\$44,309	\$55,252
Estimated Cost for Content **	\$22,155	\$27,626
Estimated Total Recovery Cost	\$66,464	\$82,878
Estimated Annual NFIP Insurance Rate*	\$1,530 - \$2,290	
Gauge Location	Neuse River at Goldsboro	

<sup>\*</sup> The estimated NFIP Insurance premium utilized the legacy NFIP methodology and North Carolina provided structure-specific information to generate the rate.

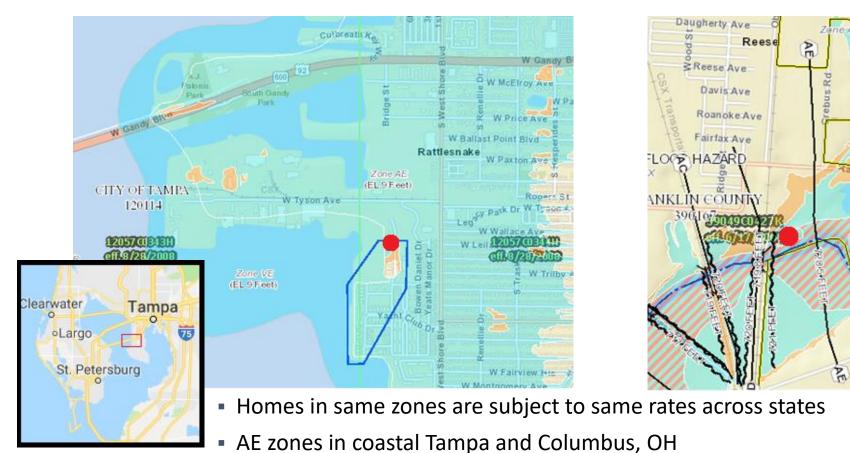
Source: John Dorman, Assistant State Emergency Management Director for Risk Management, North Carolina

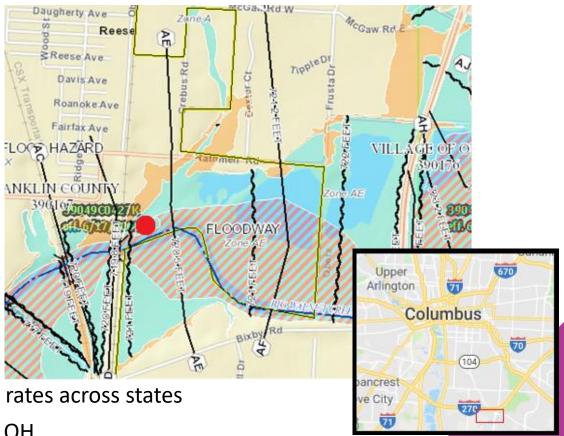




<sup>\*\*</sup> Rates were calculated by North Carolina Risk Management utilizing ACOE Wilmington District damage curves and RS Means.

## Problem 4: Many paying more than their share of the risk





Source: Milliman

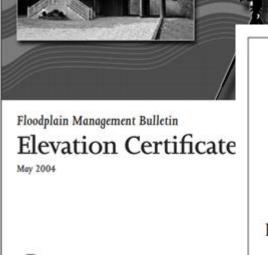
- Identical houses at these locations
  - One-story, frame house worth \$250k
  - First floor 1 foot above base flood elevation
  - No basement, built 1990



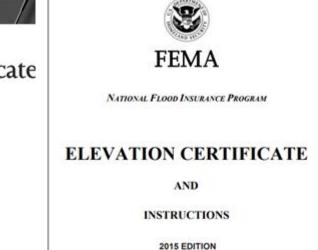


Problem 5: Elevation certificate requirements

- Required for some homes, but not all
- Depends on several factors: flood zone, year of construction, year of initial map
- Process / decision / cost that most homeowners don't fully understand
- Depends on many parties all doing their jobs adequately and seamlessly in short timeframe



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Source: Milliman



### Risk Rating 2.0 is product of collaboration and science

**TIME:** Research, design, analysis, development, and testing translates to 5+ years of work and thousands of hours.

**PEOPLE:** The cross-functional team of 20+ NFIP program experts, including 8+ full-time actuaries, collaborated with a diverse network of experts from a wide range of disciplines:

- **Academics**
- **Actuaries**
- **Building scientists**

- Engineers
- Insurance industry experts
- Mappers

- Underwriters
- Mitigation experts

**TECHNOLOGY:** Cutting-edge technology and best available data used to make a modern-day program:

**Private Sector Rate Setting Methods** 

**Private Sector Catastrophe Models** 

**CoreLogic** 

Government Models, Available Data, and **Collaborations** 













Source: FEMA





# Risk Rating 2.0 prices each home individually rather than by flood zone

#### **Current Rating Methodology**

#### **FEMA-sourced data**

#### Rating Variables

- Flood Insurance Rate Map Zone
- Base Flood Elevation
- Foundation Type
- Structural Elevation (Special Flood Hazard Area Only)

1% Annual Chance of Flooding (Frequency)

**Fees and Surcharges** 

Source: FEMA

#### Risk Rating 2.0 Methodology\*

#### **FEMA-sourced data**

Additional data sources: Federal governmentsourced data, commercially available third-party

#### Cost to Rebuild

#### Rating Variables

- Distance to Coast/Ocean/River
- River Class
- Flood type Fluvial/Pluvial
- Ground Elevation
- First Floor Height
- Construction Type/Foundation Type

**Broader Range of Flood Frequencies** 

Fees and Surcharges





# Risk Rating 2.0 adopts modern insurance industry technologies, practices and standards

Methodology	Single-Family Home Maximum Policy Cost*	
Current Rating Methodology	\$45,925	
Risk Rating 2.0	\$12,125	

Source: FEMA



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### **Old NFIP 1.0 Policy Facts**



Today NFIP rates can rise 18%-25% per year until they hit \$63,000 for a \$250,000 Policy



Source: Fema.gov



NFIP is 50+ years old & rate based only on flood zone and elevation today



Rates never stops rising for Pre-Firm Grandfathered homes



2/3rds of older Pre-Firm homes are overpaying under the current system



Old NFIP Not Sustainable for homeowners or taxpayers



Risk Rating 2.0
Leverages Modern Insurance Technology, Standards and LIDAR data

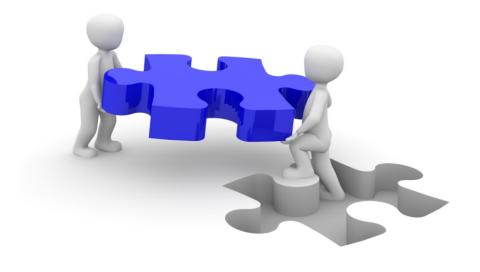


Provides Actuarially Sound Rates that are Equitable and Easy to Understand





### **Risk Rating 2.0 Facts**





New Maximum Rate is \$12,125/yr (a 73% decrease)



23% see Immediate Decrease and most will pay about the same



Uses property specific factors including buildings unique elevation, distance to water and cost to rebuild



Seller can still transfer their policy to the buyer



Buyers can get quotes immediately -Don't need Elevation Certifcate



### **Risk Rating 2.0 Facts**

### Buyers Can Now Make Educated Decisions with all the Facts





Maintains same 18%-25% cap on annual increases so no big jumps



Fewer policy holders seeing big increases;



Now lower value homes don't cross subsidize high value homes



All policies (even X zone) get property specific rates and mitigation discounts including CRS



Buyers can shop private market and make their choice





### **What's Not Changing**

- Residential & Commercial Policy Coverage stays the same
- Buyer can still assume/transfer the Seller's policy so no big jumps on day 1.
- Still have 18% or 25% maximum increases for existing policies when transferred
- Still required to have flood insurance if in a Special Flood Hazard Area like AE &
   VE and have a federally backed mortgage
- Community Rating System (CRS) discounts of 5-45% still apply
- Elevation certificates are now optional and can be used if it will help get more favorable rates





#### Risk Rating 2.0 – National Rate Analysis

Under the **current rating methodology**, every year at renewal, policyholders on average see premium increases of \$8 per month.





Federal Emergency Management Agency

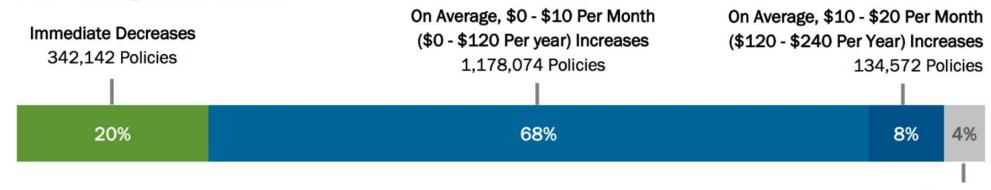
### For more info go to www.fema.gov/NfipTransformation





NFIP Policies in Force in FL	Properties in FL Not Covered by NFIP Policy	Average NFIP Claim Payout in the Past 10 Years	Average Individual Assistance Claim Payout in the Past 10 Years
1,727,900	5.9 million	\$28,100	\$5,100

#### Risk Rating 2.0 in Florida



On Average, Greater Than \$20 Per Month (\$240 Per Year) Increases 73,113 Policies



March 2021 1





### Risk Rating 2.0 Timeline

Starts Oct 1 2021

New Business Policies

Starts April 1, 2022 for Renewal/Existing Policies

Important to Note NO Increases on October 1 under Risk Rate 2.0 because it's just new policies. Any increases are 1.0

Risk Rate 2.0 doesn't go into effect until April 1



# A Few Early Examples: \$260,000 Seminole home not on water (1960)

NFIP today

• Risk Rating 2.0 – Oct 1 2021

Never stops increasing 18%+/yr

No automatic annual increases

\$2040 - Current NFIP with no contents

• \$1,683 – NFIP with no contents (\$357 savings = @\$30/mo) = **0.64%** 

\$3,377 - Current NFIP with \$100K contents

• \$2,038 – NFIP with 100K contents (\$1339 savings = @112/mo) 0.60%



# A Few Early Examples: \$1,000,000 Treasure Island Home 100ft from VE

NFIP today

• Risk Rating 2.0 – April 1 2022

Never stops increasing 18%+/yr

- No automatic increases
- Buyers can now plan for future

\$2488 - Current NFIP with no contents

- \$7,669 NFIP with no contents
- Factors cost to rebuild, etc.
- Cost is not even 1% = 0.76%





#### TRANSITIONS TYPICALLY MESSY AND NOISY!

### Installing a new operating system



Pause - Breathe - Get the Facts!





### Selling real estate after Oct 1, 2021

- Now know home's actuarial rate
- Buyers can make better longterm decisions
- Better idea of cost of future flood insurance
- NFIP isn't only rising insurance cost facing Florida



**PRO Tip: Buyers can assume Seller's NFIP Policy** 





#### What Realtors® Need To Know

- Prepare your clients that change is coming
- Utilize NAR resources provided Handout NAR FEMA flyer to clients
- Be their calm professional...Pause Breathe Get the facts
- Ask Does the seller have a flood policy? If Seller has an existing NFIP policy, Buyer has option to assume/transfer it.
- Encourage Buyer's to start early in the process and work with experienced, knowledgeable flood insurance agents to understand process and all their options.
- Don't assume remember your license and training





#### **Realtors® Bring Value to Your Clients and Sphere**

- Share our 10 yr journey and how you (Realtors) have advocated through NAR and RPAC to achieve this for your neighbors and the communities you serve -OWN IT!
- Get the Facts about Flood Insurance and be proactive and bring information and value updating clients and sphere - handout the NAR FEMA Flyer
- You can help connect them with insurange agents who specializes in flood insurance so they can get all their options
- Be a resource and advocate to help them escalate any issues to FEMA or NAR if they arise





#### **Additional NAR Resources for You**

NAR Member Information Packet <a href="https://www.nar.realtor/national-flood-insurance-program/fema-risk-rating-2-0-equity-in-action">https://www.nar.realtor/national-flood-insurance-program/fema-risk-rating-2-0-equity-in-action</a>

FEMA-NAR Flyer for Homeowners <a href="https://www.nar.realtor/national-flood-insurance-program/major-improvements-coming-to-the-national-flood-insurance-program">https://www.nar.realtor/national-flood-insurance-program/major-improvements-coming-to-the-national-flood-insurance-program</a>

NAR Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) <a href="https://www.nar.realtor/national-flood-insurance-program/faq-fema-risk-rating-2-0-townhall">https://www.nar.realtor/national-flood-insurance-program/faq-fema-risk-rating-2-0-townhall</a>

NAR Member Legal Guidance <a href="https://www.nar.realtor/flood-insurance#section-166024">https://www.nar.realtor/flood-insurance#section-166024</a>

NAR-FEMA Toolkit: Disaster Preparedness <a href="https://www.nar.realtor/national-flood-insurance-program/fema-nar-toolkit-flood-preparedness-resources">https://www.nar.realtor/national-flood-insurance-program/fema-nar-toolkit-flood-preparedness-resources</a>

Video: NAR-FEMA Townhall <a href="https://www.nar.realtor/videos/nar-town-hall-featuring-fema-senior-executive-david-maurstad">https://www.nar.realtor/videos/nar-town-hall-featuring-fema-senior-executive-david-maurstad</a>

Video: Flood Insurance & Disclosures: What You Need to Know Now <a href="https://www.nar.realtor/window-to-the-law/flood-insurance-and-disclosures">https://www.nar.realtor/window-to-the-law/flood-insurance-and-disclosures</a>





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