Harris County and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) have updated the Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) for Harris County, Unincorporated Areas. The effective FIRM was officially adopted by Harris County on June 18, 2007.

As a public service, Harris County Permits Group will provide you with the following unofficial floodplain map information upon request:

- Information indicating whether a property is located in the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) as shown on the Harris County Unincorporated Areas FIRM.
- Additional flood insurance data for a site, such as the FIRM zone and the base flood elevation or depth, shown on the FIRM.
- A handout on the flood insurance purchase requirements for those seeking a mortgage or loan for a property in the SFHA.

If you would like to make an inquiry concerning a specific property, please provide us with the complete legal description (subdivision, section, block and lot and/or survey name with abstract number along with a copy of the metes and bounds), the street address, and Harris County Appraisal District tax account number.

The Harris County Permits Group is open 7:30 am - 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday. Call (713) 274-3900, or visit us online at http://eng.hctx.net/permits. Our physical address is 10555 Northwest Freeway, Suite 120, Houston, TX 77092. There is no charge for the aforementioned service. In addition, the Permits Office has completed copies of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Elevation Certificates for buildings in the floodplain, which have been required by the Permits Office since September 1997.

For an official floodplain status of your property, you may contact a floodplain determination consultant. Mortgage and insurance companies often require an official determination. A list of Flood Zone Determination consultants can be found at http://www.fema.gov/national-flood-insurance-program/flood-zone-determination-companies. Information provided by this office is only for properties located in unincorporated areas of Harris County, Texas.
Harris County Permits
Map Information Service

Answers to your questions are only a click away! The Harris County Permits Group can assist you.

For information about your property go to: http://www.eng.hctx.net/permits/information-on-My-Address and simply type in your address and zip code, and click “Search”.

There you will find information about:

- Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM)
- A Specific Property
- Floodplain Status

For more information please visit Harris County Permits’ website at http://www.eng.hctx.net/permits.