

Preliminary FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs)

FEMA is required by law to identify and map the Nation's flood-prone areas.

The Town of Temple recently received new **Preliminary** FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) for the Merrimack Watershed and the Contoocook Watershed.

Currently, these maps are for review only.

The Contoocook Watershed map is expected to go into effect by the end of this year. The Merrimack Watershed has one more phase of review, and will likely go into effect in 2024.

Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHA) identified on the maps in blue (Zone A) are **High Risk**. There is a 1 in 4 chance of flooding during a 30-year mortgage. Flood insurance is federally required in these areas.

Non-Special Flood Hazard Areas identified in brown on the map are **Moderate to Low Risk**. These areas typically account for a large percentage of flood insurance claims, however flood insurance is not required in these areas.

Below, you will find the Preliminary FIRMs for the Merrimack and Contoocook Watersheds.

Temple Maps for the **Merrimack Watershed** are:

- 33011C0315E
- 33011C0430E
- 33011C0440E
- 33011C0441E

Temple Maps for the **Contoocook Watershed** are:

- 33011C0294E
- 33011C0410E
- 33011C0420E

Temple does not currently participate in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). For more information on the NFIP, see the brochure below.

You may email TemplePlanning@TempleNH.org with any questions.