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### CROW WING COUNTY ANNOUNCES FEMA FLOODPLAIN MAP INFORMATION SESSION FOR PROFESSIONALS AND INTERESTED PROPERTY OWNERS

Have you ever questioned if your property is located in a flood plain? Is there any appeal options if it is? Crow Wing County is pleased to announce an information session on the new Federal Emergency Management Agency, (FEMA) mapping application on January 11, 2018 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. No reservations are required.

FEMA completed a multi-year project to re-examine flood risks throughout Crow Wing County and develop electronic flood hazard maps. This project was completed on August 15, 2017. These maps replaced previous maps and in some cases mapped areas that were not mapped before. Ceil Strauss, State Floodplain (NFIP) Manager will be guest speaker, and the agenda is as follows

- What changes were made to FEMA maps on 8/15/2017 in Crow Wing County?
- When is flood insurance mandatory? When do local regulations apply?
- How to view the FEMA floodplain (FEMA sites & County interactive map)
- How to show the structure is "out as shown" (Not subject to mandatory flood insurance)
- Base Flood Elevations for FEMA decisions vs Regulatory Flood Protection Elevations for regulatory decisions
- Where to find Base Flood Elevations
- Map appeal options (Letters of Map Amendments & Letters of Map Revisions based on fill)
- Flood Insurance basics (What rates apply where; what's covered)

The information session will take place at:  
Crow Wing County Land Services Department  
322 Laurel Street, Meeting Rooms 1 & 2, Brainerd, MN 56401

Additional information can be viewed at the FEMA website at [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov)

The Land Services Department is committed to providing excellent customer service while helping landowners make wise choices that protect Crow Wing County's extraordinary natural resources. Citizens are encouraged to contact the Land Services Office at (218) 824-1010 or [landservices@crowwing.us](mailto:landservices@crowwing.us) to discuss land use activities. Crow Wing County information and resources can be found at [www.crowwing.us](http://www.crowwing.us).

#### **Land Services Department**

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**Our Mission:** Serve well. Deliver value. Drive results.

**Our Values:** Be responsible. Treat people right. Build a better future.

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