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Los Angeles County Maintains 20% Flood Insurance Discount through Continued Flood Risk Reduction Efforts

LOS ANGELES -- As a result of continued efforts to assess and manage flood risk in Los Angeles County, Los Angeles County Public Works has successfully maintained its Class 6 level under the Community Rating System (CRS) administered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). This rewards National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) policy holders in unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County with a 20 percent discounts on residential and nonresidential structures in all flood zones.

Activities that help communities raise their CRS standing include public outreach programs, higher mapping and regulation standards, and flood mitigation initiatives that help protect lives and properties from flood incidents. Residents in identified flood-prone areas of the unincorporated county are advised annually of program updates and property owners are encouraged to prepare for potential flood events.

The County's most recent Floodplain Management Plan, Program for Public Information, and the Repetitive Loss Area Analysis were adopted in 2021, reflecting the latest advancements and best practices in flood risk management.

NFIP policies are available through private insurance companies with a 30-day waiting period before coverage goes into effect. For more information about flood risk and insurance, and LA County's 2023 Annual Progress Reports on the Floodplain Management Plan, visit: pw.lacounty.gov/wmd/nfip.

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