



Flood zones in Chandler

Several small areas in Chandler are located in what is commonly referred to as the 100-year floodplain. These areas are generally adjacent to canal banks and railroad track embankments where water ponds can develop during periods of heavy rainfall.

To determine whether your property is located in a floodplain, go to chandleraz.gov/floodplains to find a link to the Maricopa County Flood Control District website. This site provides the current effective floodplain map and additional resources including available Elevation Certificates and Flood Hazard Identification Studies. Currently, there is an active study, the Tempe Area Drainage Master Study (ADMS), in which west Chandler is included, to assess flooding in this region.

The City of Chandler participates in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) through the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). As a participant of the NFIP, the City adopted Floodplain Management Resolution 5004 and has established development requirements consistent with federal criteria.

Flood insurance is available to almost everyone from the federal government's NFIP. Most homeowners' policies do not cover flood losses. Contact your insurance agent concerning such coverage. More information regarding flood protection is available from FEMA at fema.gov or floodsmart.gov. Construction within flood zones is tightly regulated. Permits are required for any building or site alterations to ensure maximum protection against flooding is maintained.

The Downtown Chandler Library has a reference collection that includes several FEMA publications, which are available for public review; many are available for public distribution, and some are available in e-book format. Also, the Library has current FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Maps and Studies for Maricopa County and incorporated areas. Call the Chandler Public Library at 480-782-2800.

To report illegal dumping/discharges into streets or storm drains, or standing water or flooding issues in Chandler, please call 480-782-3503. Staff also can assist you to evaluate and mitigate ponding and flooding issues. Visit chandleraz.gov (search floodplains) to download the Property Owner's Manual for Stormwater Management (PDF) for information and requirements for stormwater collection systems. For more information, including historic flooding areas, call 480-782-3300 or visit Development Services, located at 215 E. Buffalo St.