

March 25, 2024

As part of the annual outreach, you are receiving this information because your property located at _____ has been identified as being in a Special Flood Hazard Area and/or an area subject to repetitive flooding.

Because of the preventative measures and educational outreach programs, the City of Buckhannon has been classified as a CRS Class 8 Community, which qualifies all eligible residents for a 10% reduction in flood insurance premiums. This reduction automatically applies to eligible properties located within the city limits of Buckhannon.

The attached map is a reduced version that indicates the different Special Flood Hazard Areas in the City of Buckhannon. A larger map is available at City Hall for viewing or you can visit the City website at www.buckhannonwv.org, select "Flood Information" to access the PDF file of the map as well as additional sources of information.



Be sure to purchase a Flood Insurance Policy

Did you know?

- Many people think they don't need flood insurance because the federal disaster assistance will bail them out. However, floods are not always declared a federal disaster and often aid is in the form of a loan, to be paid back with interest.
- Homeowners Insurance does not cover flooding damage.
- Don't delay, there is a 30 day waiting period before a new flood policy become effective.
- The purchasing of flood insurance after learning of a possible flooding scenario, and after the flooding event actually occurred, is prohibited.
- Renters should buy flood insurance for their contents.
- All properties with federally backed loans must carry flood insurance.
- The City of Buckhannon has been successful in achieving a Class 8 rating, reducing the City's residents' flood insurance premiums by 10%.

For more information about affordable flood insurance, property owners and potential buyers should contact their local insurance agent or call the toll-free information line for the National Flood Insurance Program at 1-800-427-4661



Flooding can occur in almost every part of the U.S. and during any month. In 2012, 39 percent of flood fatalities occurred from driving into flood water and 18 percent from walking into it.

If you're driving or walking and encounter flood water, Turn around - Don't drown.

It only takes six inches of water to knock over an adult and cause loss of control of a vehicle. A foot of water will float many vehicles and only two feet of rushing water will carry them away, including pickups and SUVs.

The depth of flood water is not always obvious. It can be especially hard to judge at night. The best option is to play it safe and turn around.

FEMA

Family Emergency Plan



Ready

Prepare. Plan. Stay Informed.

Your family may not be together when a disaster strikes so it is important to plan in advance: how you will get to a safe place; how you will contact one another; how you will get back together; and what you will do in different situations. Build an emergency kit with enough supplies to last 72 hours.

Stay away from power lines and electrical wires. The number two flood killer after drowning is electrocution. Report downed power lines to the local power company or 911. Turn off all electrical circuits and gas lines that may come in contact with flood water.

Be Proactive- Protect Your Property! If your property is in a Flood Hazard area it is susceptible to flooding. There are many flood damage reduction measures you can employ.

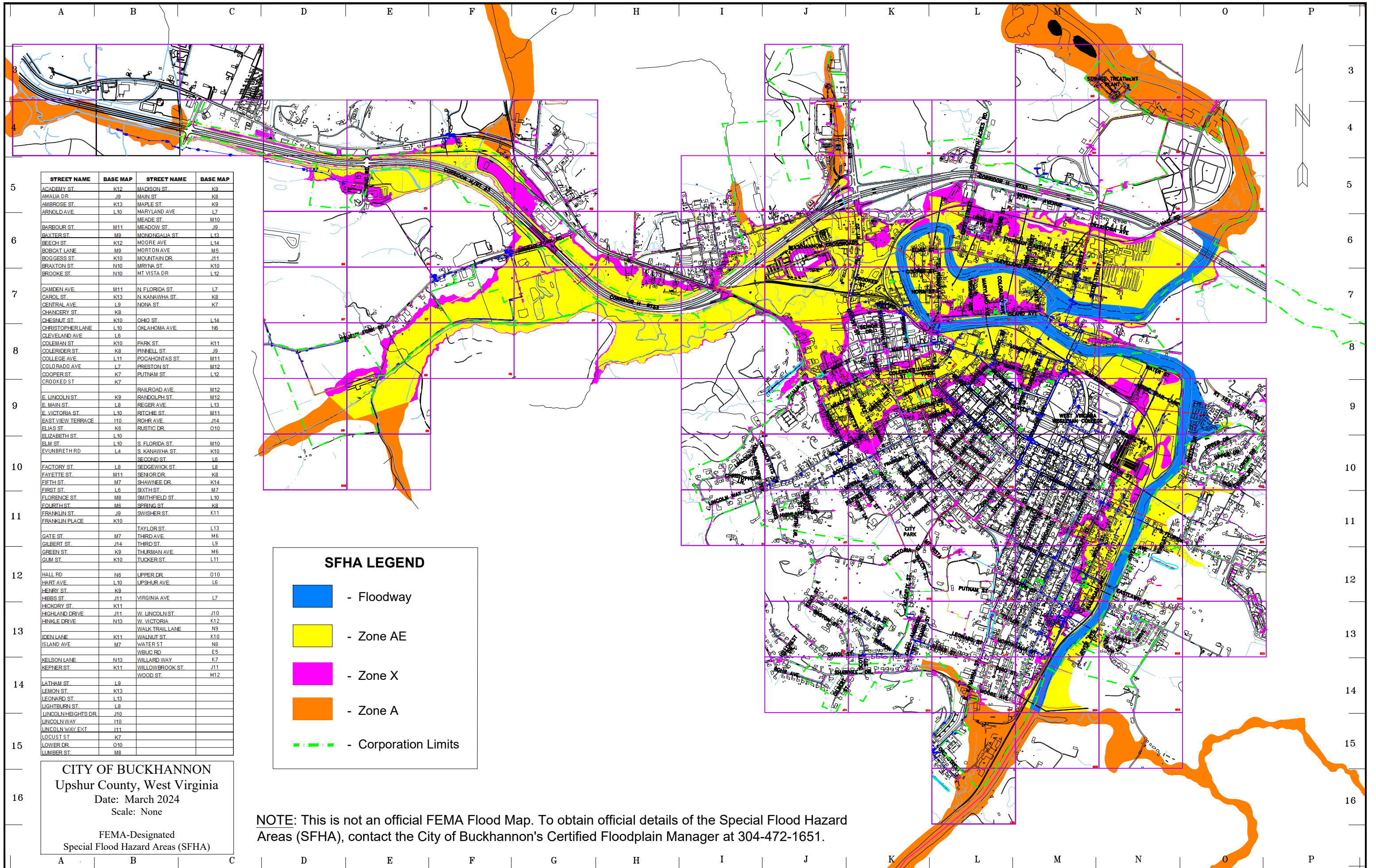
- Watertight seals can be applied to brick and block walls to protect against low-level flooding
- Elevate utilities and systems such as heating and air conditioning systems, water heaters and other major appliances to higher floors in the structure or on raised platforms.
- Temporary measures such as moving furniture and other valuables to higher floors or sandbagging exterior openings will also help.
- You may want to consider installing sewer backflow valves.
- Elevating or relocating the entire structure may also be a feasible option.
- Demolish the structure or relocate it out of harm's way.
- Consider dry floodproofing and wet floodproofing measures for the building (when and where applicable).
- Construct a berm or redirect drainage away from the structure.

Build Responsibly – The City of Buckhannon requires building permits for construction. Obtaining a permit before construction activities will reduce added costs of permits after construction activities have begun.



Protect Natural floodplain functions.

Do not dispose of debris into storm drains. This can cause backup flooding. Keep your storm drains, ditches and culverts clear of debris and blockages. Report any City-maintained drains that are blocked with debris to City Hall (304-472-1651) or the Comm Center (304-472-9550).



STREET NAME	BASE MAP	STREET NAME	BASE MAP
ACADEMY ST.	K12	MADISON ST.	K9
AMALIA DR.	J9	MAIN ST.	K8
AMBROSE ST.	K13	MAPLE ST.	K9
ARNOLD AVE.	L10	MARYLAND AVE.	L7
BARBOUR ST.	M11	MEADE ST.	M10
BAXTER ST.	M9	MEADOW ST.	J9
BEECH ST.	K12	MONONGALIA ST.	L13
BOBCAT LANE	M9	MOORE AVE.	L14
BOGESS ST.	K10	MORTON AVE.	M5
BRAXTON ST.	N10	MOUNTAIN DR.	J11
BROOKE ST.	N10	MRYNA ST.	K10
		MT VISTA DR.	L12
CAMDEN AVE.	M11	N. FLORIDA ST.	L7
CAROL ST.	K13	N. KANAWHA ST.	K8
CENTRAL AVE.	L9	NONA ST.	K7
CHANCERY ST.	K8		
CHESTNUT ST.	K10	OHIO ST.	L14
CHRISTOPHER LANE	L10	OKLAHOMA AVE.	N6
CLEVELAND AVE.	L6		
COLEMAN ST.	K10	PARK ST.	K11
COLERIDER ST.	K8	PINNELL ST.	J9
COLLEGE AVE.	L11	POCAHONTAS ST.	M11
COLOMADO AVE.	L7	PRESTON ST.	M12
COOPER ST.	K7	PUTNAM ST.	L12
CROOKED ST.	K7		
		RAILROAD AVE.	M12
E LINCOLN ST.	K9	RANDOLPH ST.	M12
E MAIN ST.	L8	REGER AVE.	L13
E VICTORIA ST.	L10	RITCHE ST.	M11
EAST VIEW TERRACE	I10	ROHR AVE.	J14
ELIAS ST.	K6	RUSTIC DR.	O10
ELIZABETH ST.	L10		
ELM ST.	L10	S. FLORIDA ST.	M10
EVUNBRETH RD.	L4	S. KANAWHA ST.	K10
		SECOND ST.	L6
FACTORY ST.	L8	SEDEGWICK ST.	L8
FAYETTE ST.	M11	SENIOR DR.	K8
FIFTH ST.	M7	SHAWNEE DR.	K14
FIRST ST.	L6	SIXTH ST.	M7
FLORENCE ST.	M8	SMITHFIELD ST.	L10
FOURTH ST.	M6	SPRING ST.	K8
FRANKLIN ST.	J9	SWISHER ST.	K11
FRANKLIN PLACE	K10		
		TAYLOR ST.	L13
GATE ST.	M7	THIRD AVE.	M6
GILBERT ST.	J14	THIRD ST.	L9
GREEN ST.	K9	THURMAN AVE.	M6
GUM ST.	K10	TUCKER ST.	L11
HALL RD.	N6	UPPER DR.	O10
HART AVE.	L10	UPSHUR AVE.	L6
HENRY ST.	K9		
HIBBS ST.	J11	VIRGINIA AVE.	L7
HICKORY ST.	K11		
HIGHLAND DRIVE	J11	W. LINCOLN ST.	J10
HINKLE DRIVE	N13	W. VICTORIA	K12
		WALK TRAIL LANE	N9
IDEN LANE	K11	WALNUT ST.	K10
ISLAND AVE.	M7	WATER ST.	N8
		WBUC RD.	E5
KELSON LANE	N13	WILLARD WAY	K7
KEPNER ST.	K11	WILLOWBROOK ST.	J11
		WOOD ST.	M12
LATHAM ST.	L9		
LEMON ST.	K13		
LEONARD ST.	L13		
LIGHTBURN ST.	L8		
LINCOLN HEIGHTS DR.	J10		
LINCOLN WAY	I10		
LINCOLN WAY EXT.	I11		
LOCUST ST.	K7		
LOWER DR.	O10		
LUMBER ST.	M8		

SFHA LEGEND

- Floodway
- Zone AE
- Zone X
- Zone A
- Corporation Limits

CITY OF BUCKHANNON
 Upshur County, West Virginia
 Date: March 2024
 Scale: None

FEMA-Designated
 Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHA)

NOTE: This is not an official FEMA Flood Map. To obtain official details of the Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHA), contact the City of Buckhannon's Certified Floodplain Manager at 304-472-1651.