



## **Notice of Regulations for Construction or Remodel in a Floodplain**

The purpose of this document is to make you aware of regulations that might affect your search, purchase and eventual use of a property. It is your obligation to gain knowledge and understanding as to how these regulations apply, if at all, to any property you are considering.

Planning to buy a residential lot or structure to **build or remodel** in the future? Take note that:

- The City of Houston as well as Harris County, as a result of Hurricane Harvey, have passed regulations impacting the 100-year and 500-year floodplains, which are subject to change over time based on the best available flood risk data;
- Building a new home, substantially remodeling a structure, or repairing substantial damage to an existing structure located in a 100-year floodplain or in a 500-year floodplain is subject to these regulations;
- Essentially, the finished or first floor will need a height minimum of two feet above the 500-year floodplain;
- Knowing at what level or height that the 500-year floodplain crosses a property, if at all, is key to any future development plans; and
- Please visit the Floodplain Management Office at [www.publicworks.houstontx.gov/floodplain.html](http://www.publicworks.houstontx.gov/floodplain.html) if planning to build or remodel in the City of Houston, or [www.eng.hctx.net](http://www.eng.hctx.net) if planning to build or remodel in Harris County (not within the City of Houston).

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