

WV Active Flood Studies and Levee Coordination

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Agenda

- 1. West Virginia Active Flood Study Projects
- 2. West Virginia Levee Updates
- 3. FEMA Web Resources
- 4. Questions





A Lot Going on in WV! Active Mapping Projects...

Discovery/Scoping (HUC-8s)

- Coal
- Elk
- Gauley
- Lower Kanawha
- Lower New
- Upper Kanawha

Countywide Restudies

Berkeley

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- Greenbrier
- Hampshire
- Hardy
- Jefferson
- Mercer
- Monroe
- Morgan
- Pendleton
- Pocahontas
- Summers

Watershed Restudies (HUC-8s)

- Big Sandy
- Lower Guyandotte
- Raccoon-Symmes
- Tug
- Twelvepole
- Upper Guyandotte

Additional Projects

- Kanawha County
 Post-Disaster PMR
- Ohio River Restudy (Hydrology and Hydraulics)
- Randolph, Upshur,
 and Wetzel Counties
 Advisory Flood
 Height Data
- LAMP Projects (Cabell/Wayne, Hardy, Mineral Counties)





Active Flood Study Projects in WV



FEMA REGION 3 - CURRENT REGULATORY FIRM PROJECT STATUS WEST VIRGINIA

AS OF MARCH 31, 2023



Prepared by ARC PTS JV, Regional Support Center 3 Team Projection: Geographic NAD 83 Data Sources: ESRI, FEMA - FMPU 3/31/2023



RiskMAP Increasing Resilience Together

FEMA Discovery Projects in WV



DISCOVERY PROJECTS WEST VIRGINIA - REGION 3

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DATA SOURCES: ESRI, FEMA, USACE NLD

WV CTP Projects



FLOOD STUDY PROJECT STATUS WEST VIRGINIA - REGION 3

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Advisory Flood Heights (A Zones)







Ohio River Restudy





OHIO RIVER STUDY

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DATA SOURCES: ESRI, FEMA, USACE NLD



Ohio River Restudy

 Updated hydrologic and hydraulic study being conducted by USACE Pittsburgh and Huntington Districts in PA, OH, and WV

WV County	Number of Communities
Brooke	4
Cabell	3
Hancock	4
Jackson	3
Marshall	5
Mason	6
Ohio	2
Pleasants	3
Tyler	3
Wayne	3
Wetzel	3
Wirt	1
Wood	4
Total	44





LiDAR By Year Flown







FEMA 2D Modeling Pilot









WV LEVEE UPDATES





Levee Accreditation Status



LEVEE ACCREDATION STATUS WEST VIRGINIA - REGION 3

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DATA SOURCES: ESRI, FEMA, USACE NLD

RiskMAP

Accredited Levee Systems

Name of Levee System	County	Accreditation Date
Huntington, WV, LPP - Guyandotte	Cabell	11/19/2020
North Petersburg	Grant	3/23/2022
South Petersburg	Grant	3/23/2022
Matewan, WV, LPP	Mingo	3/14/2016
West Williamson, WV, LPP	Mingo	10/13/2015
Williamson, WV, LPP	Mingo	3/14/2016
Elkins, WV	Randolph	12/29/2017
Ceredo-Kenova, WV LPP	Wayne	9/2/2016
Parkersburg, WV, LPP	Wood	10/22/2021



Accredited Levee Systems (Cont'd)



ACCREDITED LEVEES WEST VIRGINIA - REGION 3

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DATA SOURCES: ESRI, FEMA, USACE NLD

Levees Under Accreditation Review

Name of Levee System	County
Huntington WV, LLP	Cabell and Wayne
South Moorfield	Hardy





Levees Under Accreditation Review (Cont'd)



LEVEES UNDER ACCREDATION REVIEW WEST VIRGINIA - REGION 3



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DATA SOURCES: ESRI, FEMA, USACE NLD

RiskMAP

Non-Accredited, Correctly Mapped Levee Systems

Name of Levee System	County
East Bayard	Grant
West Bayard	Grant
Benwood-Left Bank Ohio River	Marshall
Magnolia Ringwall, WV	Mingo
Blackwater River Levee (Left Bank)	Tucker
Blackwater River Levee (Right Bank)	Tucker





Non-Accredited, Correctly Mapped Levee Systems (Cont'd)



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Increasing Resilience Together

Future Levee Construction

Milton, WV Flood Risk Reduction Project

- Lower Mud Flood Risk Reduction Project in Milton, WV (Cabell County)
- Designed for 0.4% annual chance event (250-year) protecting 600+ res./bus. structures, public structures, personal property, and critical infrastructure
- CLOMR submitted August 2021 for proposed levee (updating to 2D modeling)
- More information from the USACE: <u>https://www.lrh.usace.army.mil/Missions/Civi</u> <u>I-Works/Current-Projects/Lower-Mud/</u>







1D versus 2D Modeling

- 1D requires the objective determination of values at cross-sections for a particular reach
- 2D uses a mesh and associated data layers to define the hydraulic values



Hydraulic Variables	1D	2D
Flow direction	Assumed by user (one avg)	Computed (multidimensional)
Flow paths	Assumed by user (one per reach)	Computed (many)
Channel roughness	Assumed constant between cross sections	Assumed at each element
Ineffective (blocked) flow areas	Assumed by user	Computed
Flow contraction and expansion through bridges	Assumed by user	Computed
Flow velocity	Averaged at each cross section Assumed in one direction	Magnitude and direction Computed at each element
Flow distribution	Assumed based on conveyance	Computed based on continuity
Water surface elevation	Assumed constant across cross sections	Computed at each element
Momentum	Not accounted for	Computed at each element

Location of FEMA Region 3 Study Details

A platform called Mit Maps shows much of the information FEMA is working on in the Mitigation Division

FEMA Region 3 Mitigation Mapping Platform

https://fema.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=a3449dd156 8d47bf9353f809d91d3741





Where Can You Access New Flood Study Data?

- Easiest place to view and download data is the WV Flood Tool WV Flood Tool (mapwv.gov/flood)
- Other places to view products are:
 - Preliminary FEMA Products: <u>FEMA's Preliminary Study Viewer</u>

https://fema.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=035833 316dfd495eb0073bc446bcfc88

Effective FEMA Products: <u>FEMA's National Flood Hazard Layer</u>

https://hazards-fema.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/ index.html?id=8b0adb51996444d4879338b5529aa9cd

• FIS, FIRM, GIS Data, Other Flood Risk Products: Map Service Center

https://msc.fema.gov





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