

Floodplain Management

Saves Money



Portland, Oregon, a CRS 5 community

PORTLAND LOWERS FLOOD RISK AND INSURANCE RATES

Portland residents now save 25% in flood insurance premiums, which is an average \$365 per policy in the Special Flood Hazard Area. These lower rates are a result of Portland's continued focus on floodplain management and flood risk reduction.

FEMA's National Flood Insurance Program Community Rating System (CRS) is an incentive program that rewards communities for their actions to reduce flood risk through discounted insurance rates. Portland, a CRS 5 community, is now saving \$283,865 annually because of actions to reduce risk.

Learn more about the CRS program at:
www.fema.gov/floodplain-management/financial-help



Portland's **MITIGATION ACTION PLAN** focuses on community flood risk reduction and making the city more flood resilient.



Portland enforces **HIGHER REGULATORY STANDARDS** to keep the community safe, including foundation protection, floodplain storage and the freeboard requirement to build higher than base flood elevation.



To educate residents about flood hazards and risks, Portland manages **OUTREACH CAMPAIGNS**, including annual mailings to residents in and out of the floodplain and information displays at public buildings throughout the city.



37% of Portland's floodplains are **OPEN SPACE**, which keeps development out of hazardous areas.



To keep people safe, the city has **ACQUIRED & RELOCATED** 78 buildings from the floodplain, moving them out of harm's way.



The regular **INSPECTIONS & MAINTENANCE** of Portland's drainage systems reduce urban flooding.



Portland sends residents timely flood alerts through its **EARLY WARNING SYSTEM.**

