



Legislation Text

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An Ordinance of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, amending Chapter 113 “Flood Damage Prevention,” of the City of Coral Gables Code to adopt flood hazard maps, to designate a floodplain administrator, to adopt procedures and criteria for development in flood hazard areas, and for other purposes; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date.

The National Flood Insurance Program's (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS) is a voluntary incentive program that recognizes and encourages community floodplain management activities that exceed the minimum NFIP requirements.

The program has three primary goals:

1. Reduce flood damage to insurable property;
2. Strengthen and support the insurance aspects of the NFIP, and
3. Encourage a comprehensive approach to floodplain management.

As a result of the City's participation in the CRS, City residents receive flood insurance premium rates discount to reflect the reduced flood risk.

The City of Coral Gables' Code, Chapter 113, sets minimum standards for construction to minimize flood damage. The latest edition of the Florida Building Code, increases the standards for construction to reduce flood damage. These changes affect the City's Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance and must be adopted. The proposed amendments to Chapter 113 incorporate the latest minimum requirements from the State.

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