

Floodplain avoidance

Required

Intent

To reduce the environmental impact of the development footprint.

Requirements

Do not develop buildings on land that lies within a flood hazard area shown on a legally adopted flood hazard map (such as the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) 100 year flood plain) or otherwise legally designated by the local jurisdiction or the state, unless the building is designed and built in accordance with the flood provisions of applicable building code, the local floodplain management regulations, or, at a minimum, the National Flood Insurance Program Requirements. Projects outside of the United States may use a local equivalent program to NFIP if the program is equal to or more stringent.

Previously developed buildings and hardscapes are exempt from the above requirements.