



# Pipeline West Flood Area

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Welcome to the City of Flagstaff's Pipeline West flood area eNews. Please email [info@pipelinewestflooding.com](mailto:info@pipelinewestflooding.com) with any questions. These eNews will be released regularly to provide updates as information becomes available.

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## BACKGROUND

The Pipeline Fire was reported on June 12, 2022, approximately 6 miles north of Flagstaff within the Coconino National Forest. The fire burned 26,532 acres, including portions of the Schultz Creek and Chimney watersheds. A burn scar assessment and flood modeling subsequently showed potential post-wildfire flood risk to neighborhoods on the west side of Flagstaff. Both the City of Flagstaff and the Coconino County Flood Control District are collaborating with public and private partners and taking extensive measures and precautions to mitigate damage from future potential flood events.

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## SANDBAG PLACEMENT

Residents are reminded that sandbags should only be placed around their primary residence and not around property lines or yards. Placing sandbags around property lines instead of around primary residences may negatively impact neighbors by raising the overall water level in the neighborhood and may result in legal liability if an adverse impact is determined to have been caused. This can also trap water in the yard and near the house if sandbags are breached during a flooding event. Please call [928-213-2102](tel:928-213-2102) for any questions on proper sandbag placement.

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## REMINDER – CALL FOR DAMAGE ASSESSMENT

Residents who have experienced flooding on the interior and/or exterior of their home are encouraged to call [928-213-2102](tel:928-213-2102) to report the damage. While the City is not able to provide financial compensation for restoration or repairs, it is important to track damage costs so that the data can be reported to the Arizona Department of Emergency and Military Affairs. All information collected is kept confidential.

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## UPDATED FLOOD RISK ASSESSMENT MAP AVAILABLE

An updated flood risk assessment map is available for the Pipeline West area. The new map models flood impacts south of W Beal Rd to N Thorpe Rd and can be viewed [here](#). The map models potential water flows after a rain event in which 2" of precipitation falls on the Pipeline burn area over a period of 45 minutes. The post-fire flood risk assessment map has been prepared utilizing the best available data. However, unpredictable changes may occur in the flow patterns and channels as watershed conditions constantly change due to levels of saturation, debris, sediment impacts, and other factors. As such, it is very important to note that these changes could impact the modeling results used to prepare the Assessment Map.

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## RECORDING OF COMMUNITY MEETING

A community meeting was held last Thursday, August 4 for residents impacted by post-wildfire flooding in the Pipeline West area. If you were unable to attend the meeting, a recording can be viewed at [youtube.com/watch?v=ES07XvkcIM8](https://youtube.com/watch?v=ES07XvkcIM8). Please email any questions to [info@pipelinewestflooding.com](mailto:info@pipelinewestflooding.com).

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## Electronic Newsletters

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## Additional questions?

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