

Town of Hillsboro Beach, Florida 2016 Flood Insurance & Community Rating System

This is an annual publication of the Town of Hillsboro Beach, Florida to provide flood information required by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) as part of the Community Rating System (CRS) in order to qualify for reduced costs for flood insurance. The following information is offered to Hillsboro Beach residents to help prevent and minimize adverse impacts on lives and property caused by floodwaters.

Flood Risk

The Town of Hillsboro Beach is located on a barrier island and, as such, is susceptible to flooding due to storm events and abnormal tidal conditions. The Town has been mapped by FEMA and many properties are located in flood prone areas. Generally, the portion of the Town located east of SRA1A is susceptible to storm surges associated with tropical storms and hurricanes producing waves and velocities. Portions of the Town area west of SRA1A may also be prone to flooding due to tidal conditions associated with the Intracoastal Waterway.

Hurricanes Frances, Jeanne and Wilma provide reminders of recent potential flood threats. Category 1 and 2 hurricanes can produce storm surges of 4 to 7 feet. Town residents and businesses can get information on Flood Zones and on minimizing flood impacts under the Flooding and Evacuation heading on the [Town's website](#) and at Town Hall.

Natural & Beneficial Functions

The majority of the Town's storm surge areas are located, east of SRA1A and east of the dune area. The Town restricts building east of the Easterly Building Line and has zoned this area Private Recreation - Conservation. In many locations, native vegetation is maintained and the natural dune protects properties from storm surges. This area and the shoreline of the Intracoastal Waterway provide important benefits to water quality and marine resources.

Drainage System Maintenance

The Intracoastal Waterway is a major part of the County's drainage system and it is important to maintain the system. The Town's regulations prohibit the dumping of any material and debris into the Waterway. Please notify Town Hall at 954-427-4011 if dumping or discharges into the Waterway are observed.

Library

The Percy White Branch of the Broward County Library, located at 837 East Hillsboro Boulevard, has information on flood insurance, flood protection, and flood plain management rate reductions.

Additional Information

Town residents should contact or visit Town Hall to obtain the flood zone information for their property and to obtain historical data regarding flooding in your area and other flood-related threats to your property. [Town Hall](#) also maintains copies of Federal Elevation Certificates that have been issued on structures after 2008. The Elevation Certificates are required to obtain flood insurance and are available for public review. The phone number for Town Hall is 954-427-4011.