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FEMA and Nebraska Department of Natural Resources Begin Floodplain Mapping for Little Bazile Creek Watershed at Bloomfield

(Lincoln, Neb.) The Nebraska Department of Natural Resources (NDNR) met with City of Bloomfield officials and interested citizens this week, to kickoff NDNR's floodplain mapping project for the Little Bazile Creek Watershed at Bloomfield.

The study will be performed for the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) by the NDNR and U.S. Geological Survey. The study's purpose is to examine and map flood hazard areas in the watershed that includes the City of Bloomfield and part of Knox County and to carryout the floodplain management objectives of the National Flood Insurance Program. The floodplain maps will also be used as the basis for determining appropriate flood insurance premium rates for buildings and their contents.

As part of the study, the public is encouraged to present any relevant facts and technical data concerning local flood hazards to Bloomfield officials, including the mayor, city administrator, and city council members. The information will then be forwarded to NDNR.

The Little Bazile Creek Watershed maps will be prepared under authority of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, and the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973.

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