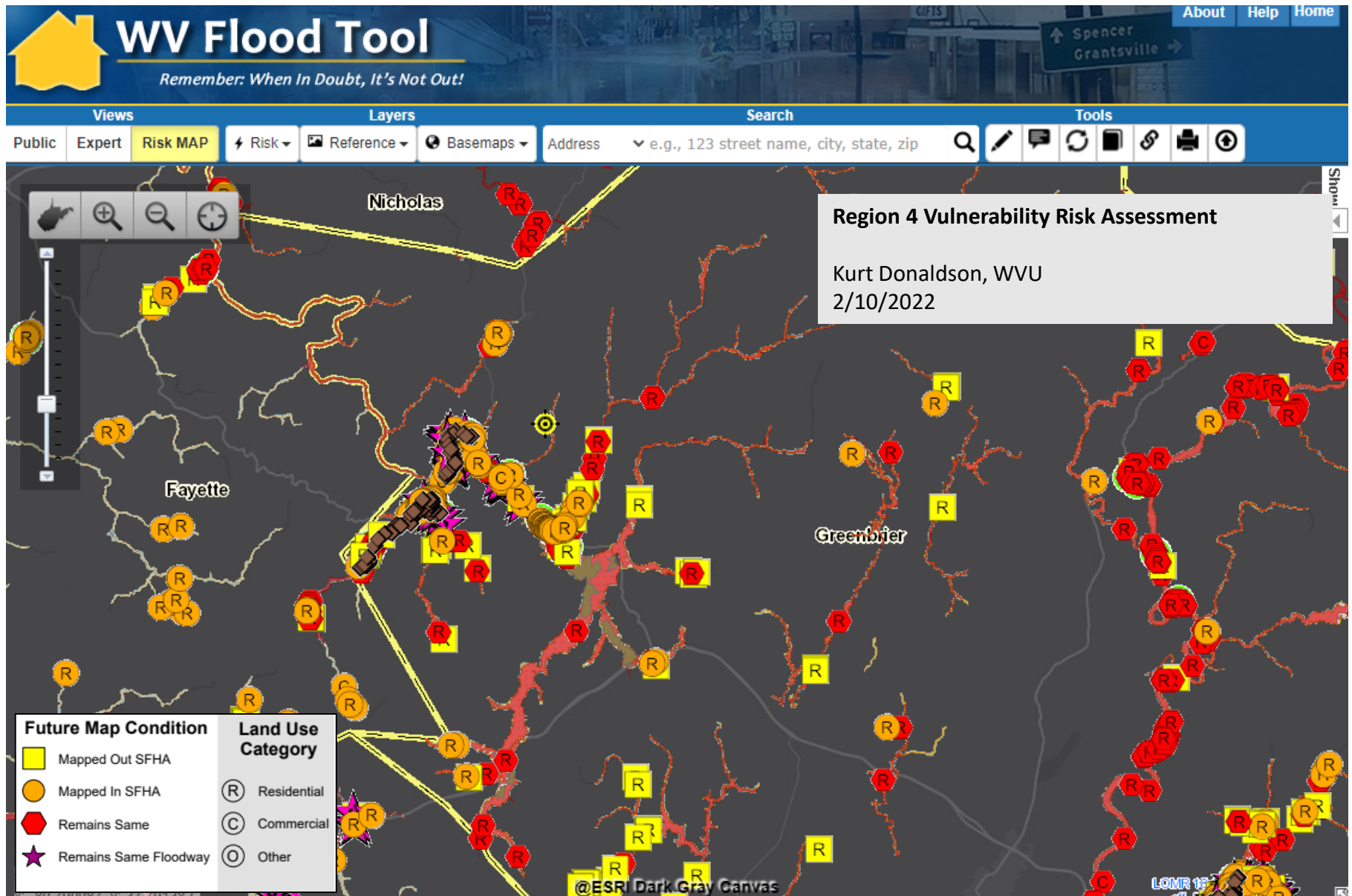


Region 4 Flood Risk Assessment



WV Statewide Risk Assessment

OVERVIEW

WV Building-Level Flood Risk Assessment

Building-Level Flood Risk Assessments support:

- Hazard Mitigation Plans
- Floodplain Management
- Community Assisted Visits
- Community Rating System

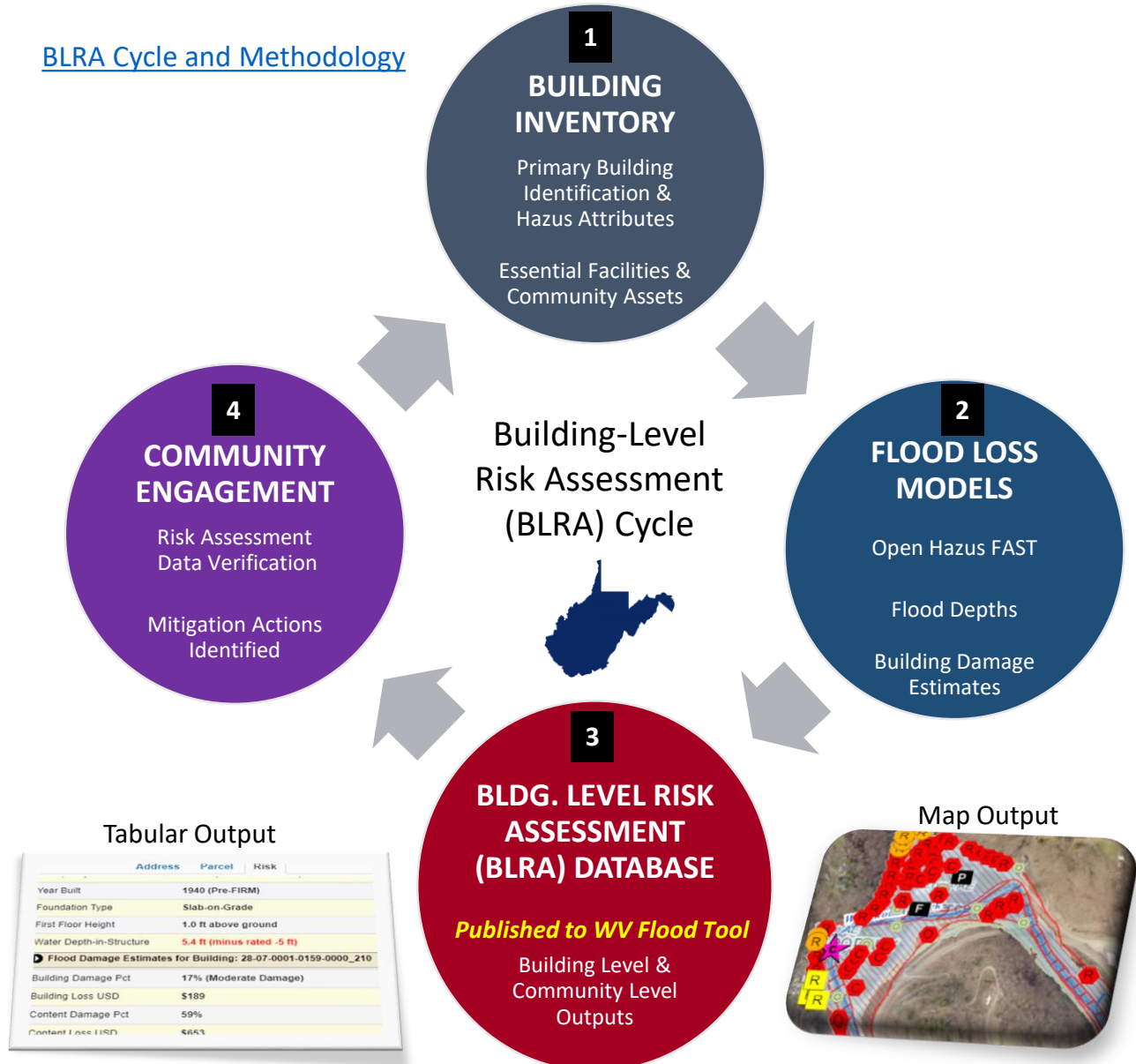
Benefits

- More detailed and accurate assessments
- Automated scripts generate outputs quickly
- Cost savings through efficiencies
- Helps multiple stakeholders
- Comprehensive Building Risk Spatial Database

Methodology

- Consistent methodology statewide
- Semi-automated workflows
- Continuous cycle to improve and update assessments

BLRA Cycle and Methodology



Access Risk Assessment Info

Use the [Risk Information Index](#) to access Data and Products

Risk Assessment Information Index
1/28/2022
[Data Field Descriptions](#)

Risk Assessment or Mitigation Layer	REPORT	Key Variable	Community Level (CL)			Building Level (BL) or Feature Level (FL)				
			Table	Graphic		Table	Community Extract	State Extract	Graphic	GIS
FLOOD ZONE MAPS & STUDIES										
Flood Zone Breakdown by Length and Area		Zone Length and Area	CL	Yes						GIS
Active Flood Studies and Mapping			CL	Yes	Yes					
Model-Backed AZones		Info Sheet	CL	Yes						
FLOODPLAIN BUILDING INVENTORY AND FUTURE MAP CONDITIONS (What at-risk structures are in floodplain?)										
Primary Buildings in High-Risk Effective and Advisory Floodplains - Future Map Conditions		Flood Zone Type	CL	Yes	Yes	BLRA				GIS
Verified LOMA Properties Removal Status. Future SFHA Status.		SFHA Status	CL	Yes		BL				GIS
Buildings by Stream Name (Flood Source). Community and stream summaries.		Stream Name	CL	Yes		BLRA	FL	Top List	Yes	GIS
SIGNIFICANT STRUCTURES OF IMPORTANCE										
Essential Facilities (0.2% floodplain)	RPT	Facility Type	CL		Yes	BL EC				GIS
Community Assets	RPT	Facility Type	CL	Yes	Yes	BL CA				GIS
Historical Community Assets - National Register Areas	RPT	Register Area	CL			NRA				GIS
FLOODPLAIN BUILDING CHARACTERISTICS										
Building Exposure Dollar Value	RPT	Building Appraisal, Occupancy	CL	Yes	Yes	BLRA	High Value (Top 10%)	Top 100	Yes	GIS
Building Single Family (RES1)		Single Family RES1	CL	Yes	Yes	BLRA		Top 100	Yes	GIS
Building Manufactured Homes (RES2)		Mobile Home RES2	CL	Yes	Yes	BLRA		Top 100		GIS
Building Year and FIRM Status (Pre-FIRM/Post-FIRM)		Initial FIRM Date, Building Year	CL	Yes		BLRA				GIS
Building Median Value		Median Value	CL	Yes	Yes	BLRA				GIS
Building Median Year		Building Year	CL	Yes		BLRA				GIS
Foundation Type and Basement		Foundation Type				BLRA				GIS
FLOOD DAMAGE LOSS ESTIMATES (1% FLOOD EVENT) (What is degree of Flood Risk?)										

Building Level Risk Assessment (BLRA) Products

- **GIS Files**
- **Tables (Excel)**
 - Community Level
 - Building (and Feature) Levels with links to online maps
 - Table Extracts
 - Top Lists
- **Maps**
 - Interactive Web Maps
 - Graphics and Maps
- **Reports (Word Docs)**
- **3D Flood Visualizations**

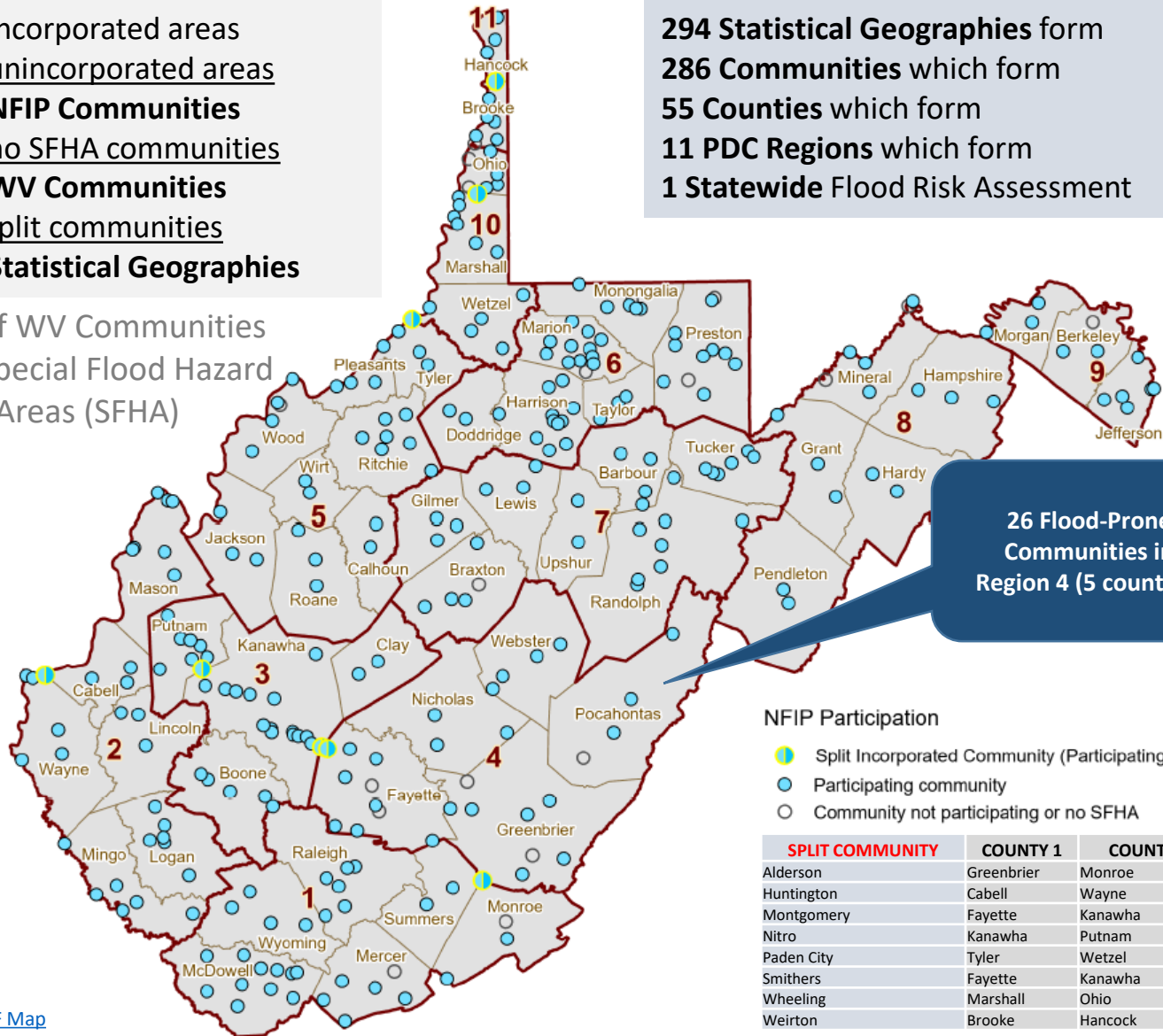
Most of the risk assessment data can be viewed on the **RiskMAP View** of the [WV Flood Tool](#)

Statewide Hazard Assessment

213 incorporated areas
 +55 unincorporated areas
268 NFIP Communities
 +18 no SFHA communities
286 WV Communities
 + 8 split communities
294 Statistical Geographies

294 Statistical Geographies form
286 Communities which form
55 Counties which form
11 PDC Regions which form
1 Statewide Flood Risk Assessment

94% of WV Communities
 have Special Flood Hazard
 Areas (SFHA)



**26 Flood-Prone
 Communities in
 Region 4 (5 counties)**

NFIP Participation

- Split Incorporated Community (Participating)
- Participating community
- Community not participating or no SFHA

SPLIT COMMUNITY	COUNTY 1	COUNTY 2
Alderson	Greenbrier	Monroe
Huntington	Cabell	Wayne
Montgomery	Fayette	Kanawha
Nitro	Kanawha	Putnam
Paden City	Tyler	Wetzel
Smithers	Fayette	Kanawha
Wheeling	Marshall	Ohio
Weirton	Brooke	Hancock

268 Flood-Prone Communities

11 Regional Planning & Development Councils (55 Counties)

Region 4 has 26 Flood-Prone Communities in the National Flood Insurance Program

Region	# Counties	# Communities	Split Communities across County Boundary	Communities not participating in NFIP or no SFHA	# NFIP Communities ¹
Region 1 ²	6	32		Athens, Union	30
Region 2	6	31	Huntington		31
Region 3	4	29	Nitro		29
Region 4	5	31	Alderson, Montgomery, Smithers	Fayetteville ³ , Hillsboro, Lewisburg, Quinwood ³ , Thurmond	26
Region 5	8	30	Paden City	North Hills	29
Region 6	6	45		Brandonville, Tunnelton, White Hall	42
Region 7	7	31		Flatwoods	30
Region 8	5	17		Carpendale, Elk Garden	15
Region 9	3	12		Hedgesville	11
Region 10	3	18	Wheeling	Bethlehem, Clearview	16
Region 11	2	10	Weirton	Windsor Heights	9
<i>total</i>	55	286	8	18	268


¹ Source: FEMA's Community Status Source Book

² Region 1 dissolved community of Rhodell (Raleigh County) included in NFIP count. Town of Matoaka (Mercer County) is not included.

³ Communities include SFHA or non-regulatory floodplain

Split Communities **Alderson, Montgomery** and **Smithers** are members of **Region 4**
 Split Community **Paden City** is a member of **Region 5**

Floodplain Building-Level Risk



WV Flood Tool

Remember: When In Doubt, It's Not Out!

All Risk Assessment and Mitigation Layers are displayed on the RiskMAP View of the WV Flood Tool

Views: Public | Expert | **Risk MAP**

Layers: Risk | Reference | Basemaps

Tools: [Icons for search, zoom, print, etc.]

BUILDING-LEVEL RISK: 100-YEAR FLOOD

- Primary Structure (Future Map)
- LOMA Verified (In or Out SFHA)
- Building Exposure Cost
- Building Year Pre-FIRM & Post-FIRM
- Foundation Type
- Elevation Certificates (Building Type)
- Minus-Rated Structure
- Building Damage Loss Estimate

CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE

FLOOD DEPTH

OTHER NATURAL HAZARDS

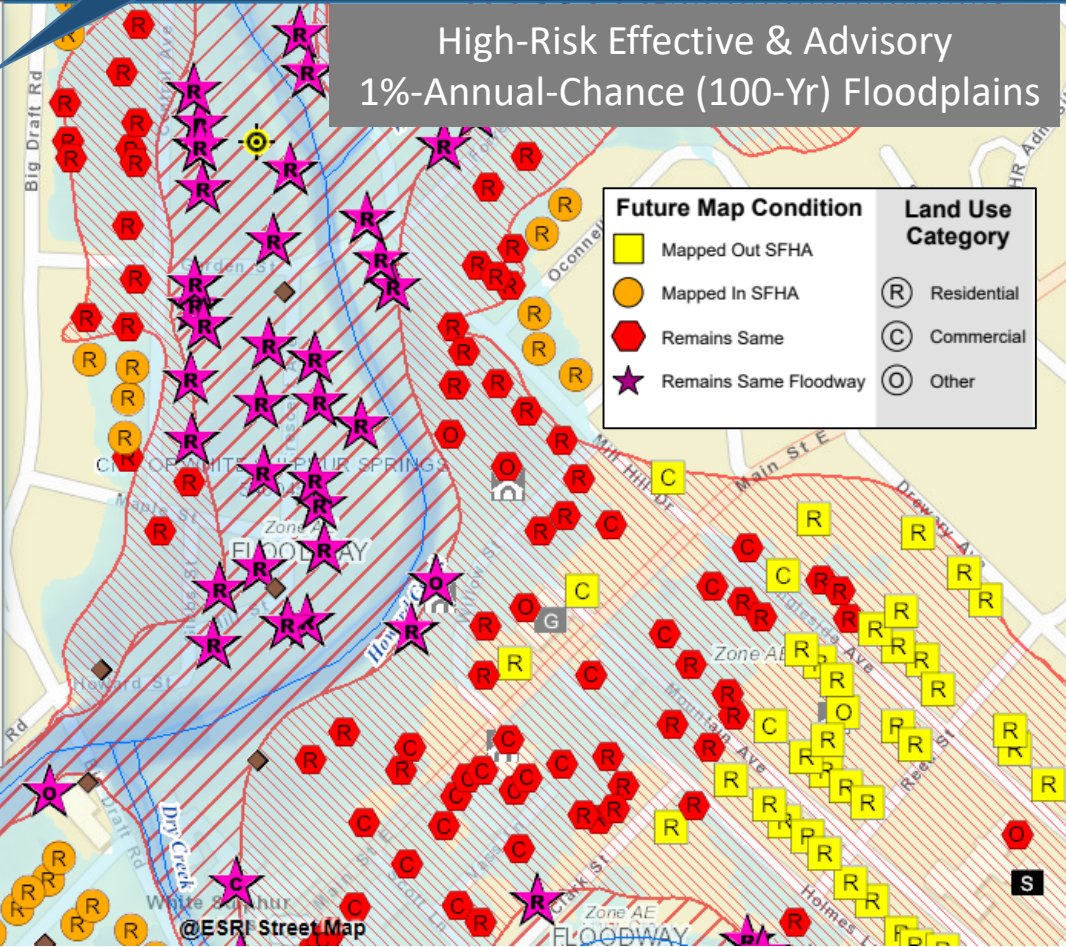
MITIGATED PROPERTIES & OPEN SPACE

- Mitigated Structure or Tract
- Buyout Parcel (Deed Restricted)
- Public Land (minus Fed. Lands)
- Private Land (Nature Preserves, Land Trusts)

PRIMARY FLOOD HAZARD LAYERS

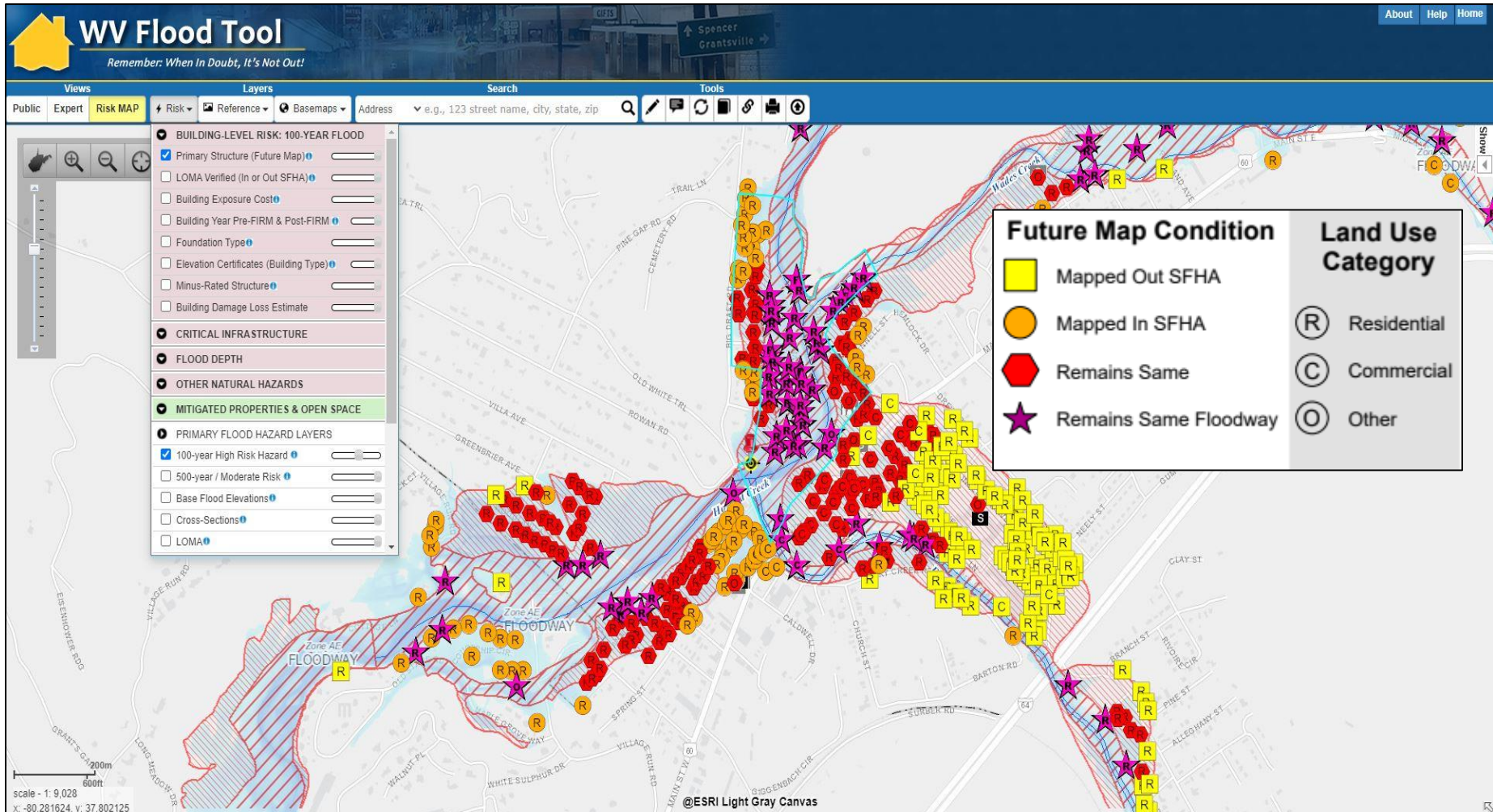
High-Risk Effective & Advisory 1%-Annual-Chance (100-Yr) Floodplains

Future Map Condition	Land Use Category
Mapped Out SFHA	Residential
Mapped In SFHA	Commercial
Remains Same	Other
Remains Same Floodway	



Scale: 1:4,514
 X: -80.307536, Y: 37.796856

Building Level Risk Assessment



White Sulphur Springs' primary structures viewable on the [Risk MAP View](#) of the WV Flood Tool. Symbol letters indicate general occupancy (**R**esidential, **C**ommercial, **O**ther Non-Residential).

Risk Assessment

FLOOD ZONE MAP INFORMATION

What flood zone map information is available now or in the future?

Historical Flood Information

STORY MAPS:

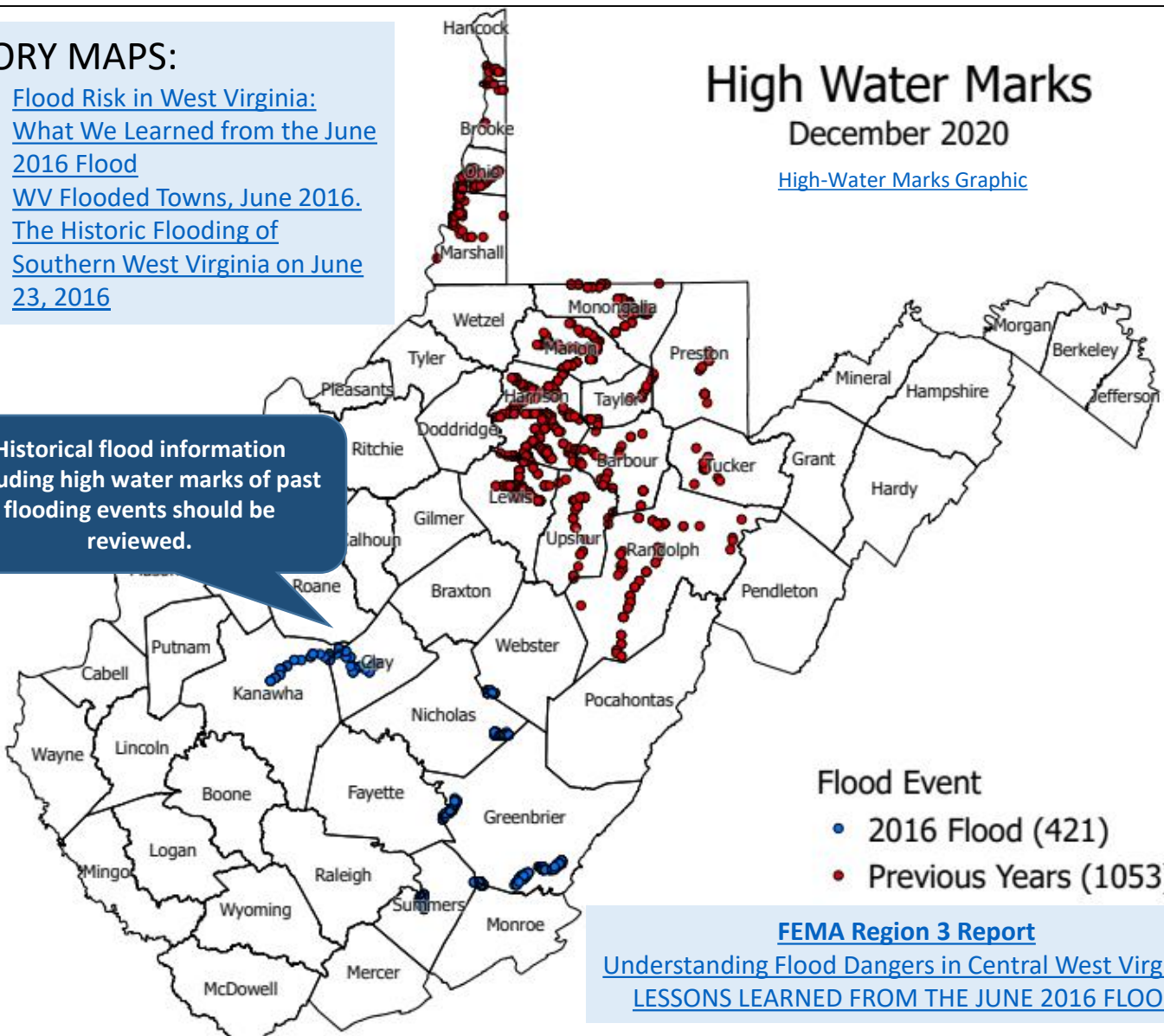
- [Flood Risk in West Virginia: What We Learned from the June 2016 Flood](#)
- [WV Flooded Towns, June 2016. The Historic Flooding of Southern West Virginia on June 23, 2016](#)

High Water Marks

December 2020

[High-Water Marks Graphic](#)

Historical flood information including high water marks of past flooding events should be reviewed.



Flood Event

- 2016 Flood (421)
- Previous Years (1053)

[FEMA Region 3 Report](#)

[Understanding Flood Dangers in Central West Virginia: LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE JUNE 2016 FLOOD](#)

Active Flood Studies

<< Future Trends in Mapping >>

- Floodplain Mapping Resolution: Mapping at higher watershed drainage resolution (1-square mile watershed)
- Gridded Flood Risk Products Resolution: Higher spatial resolution of 1-meter grid cell size for flood risk products (e.g., Water Surface Elevation, Water Depth).
- Depth Grids for Multiple Flood Events: Depth Grids published for multiple flood events (10, 04, 02, 01, 0.2 percent chance)
- X-Sections for A Zones: In addition to AE Zones, published BFE cross sections for all Approximate A Zones

https://data.wv.gov/pub/RA/_resources/status/DepthWSEL_1meterResolution.pdf

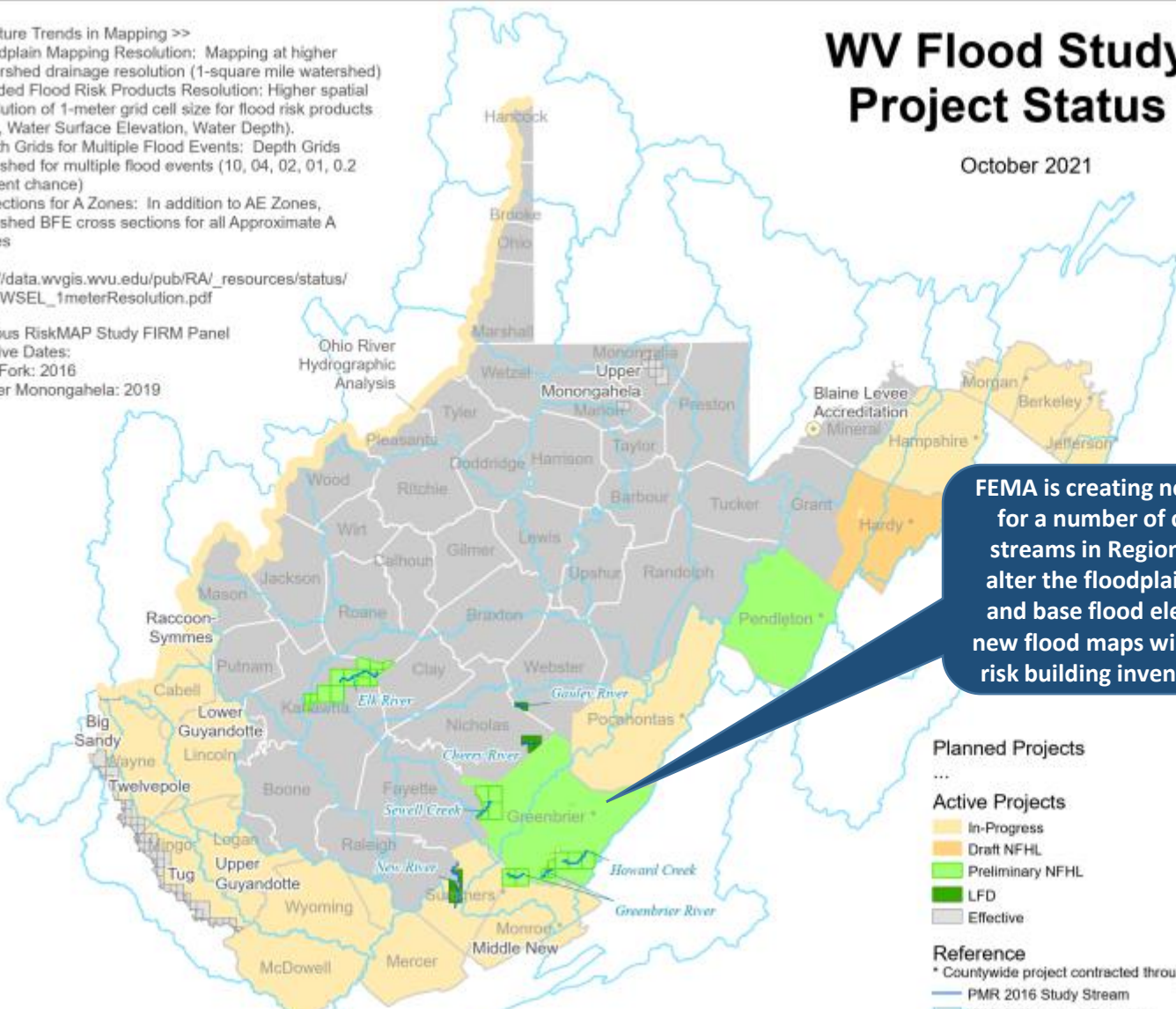
Previous RiskMAP Study FIRM Panel

Effective Dates:

- Tug Fork: 2016
- Upper Monongahela: 2019

WV Flood Study Project Status

October 2021



FEMA is creating new flood maps for a number of counties and streams in Region 4 which will alter the floodplain boundaries and base flood elevations. The new flood maps will affect the at-risk building inventories as well.

Planned Projects

- ...
- Active Projects
 - In-Progress
 - Draft NFHL
 - Preliminary NFHL
 - LFD
 - Effective

Reference

- * Countywide project contracted through the State
- PMR 2016 Study Stream
- HUC-8 Watershed Boundary

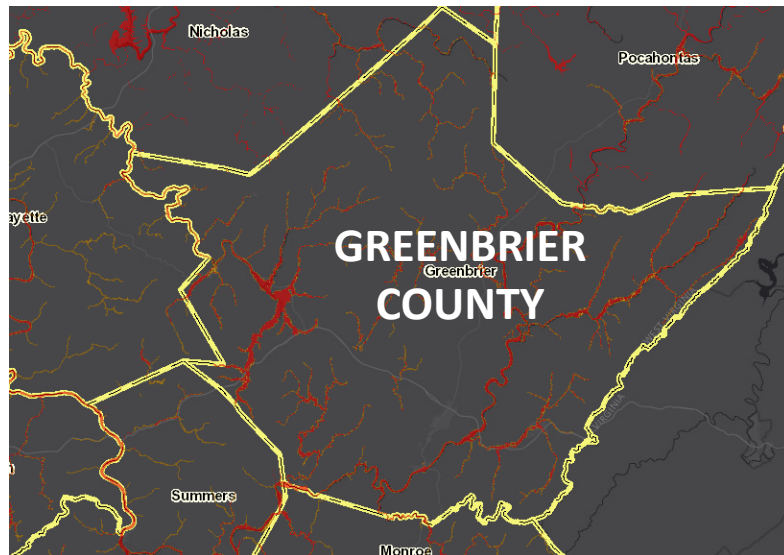
Floodplain Measurements (Area)

Region 4 Unincorporated Areas: Acreage in Effective SFHA

Unincorporated Area*	Total Community Area (acres)	Total SFHA Area (acres)	Modified Total SFHA Area (acres) ¹	Ratio of aSFHA to Community Area
GREENBRIER COUNTY*	648,250	21,594	19,278	3%
NICHOLAS COUNTY*	414,533	13,865	8,579	2%
WEBSTER COUNTY *	354,803	8,905	6,759	2%
POCAHONTAS COUNTY *	600,184	12,584	8,050	1%
FAYETTE COUNTY*	412,491	5,757	3,393	1%

1 Areas excluded from Total aSFHA: Open water lakes > 10 acres; Large river bank-to-bank > 500 ft.; Federal lands > 10 acres

2 Source Table: https://data.wvgis.wvu.edu/pub/RA/State/CL/Flood_Zone_Type-Length-aSFHA/



Risk Assessment: *Greenbrier County (4th largest in the State) and Greenbrier Unincorporated (ranked 4th) have the largest acreage in the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA), the effective 1%-annual-chance floodplain*

Note: The SFHA (red) will increase for a number of communities in Greenbrier County when the Preliminary flood zones (orange) become effective. The town of **Rainelle** will have the largest SFHA increase. See [Rainelle map link](#).

New Flood Maps

WV Flood Tool
Remember: When In Doubt, It's Not Out!

Views: Public | Expert | Risk MAP | Risk | Reference | Basemaps

Layers: Risk | Reference | Basemaps

Tools: Search | Measure | Layers | Refresh | Print | Download

Flood Hazard Area: Location is WITHIN the FEMA 100-year floodplain and floodway.
Flood Zone: AE (Floodway)
Stream: Gauley River
Watershed: (05)

FEMA's Flood Map: 54101C0377D | NFHL
Map Effective Date: 1/6/2012
Contacts: Webster

Flood Height: Refer to FIS report for BFE
Water Depth: About 8.0 ft (Source: HEC-RAS)
HEC-RAS Model: N/A

Flood Profile: 54101_048
Community: Webster County
Freeboard: 2 ft | **CRS Class:** 10 | **CID:** 540203

Location (lat, long): (38.363738, -80.592949)
Location (UTM 17N): (4246251, 535561)

Elevation: 2025.5 ft (Source: FEMA 2018-20)

Address: N/A
Parcel: 51-04-0003-0007-0000 | Assessment

Flood Risk Information: Flood Risk Assessment

Map Data: Flood Elev (ft): 2033.7
Height above ground (ft): 9
2034 FEET
2028.4 FEET
3-5
3-6
3-7

Callout: FEMA is creating new flood maps for select communities in Region 4 which will alter the floodplain boundaries and base flood elevations. The new flood maps will affect the at-risk building inventories as well. The BFE is increasing 6 feet at this location.

Photo: A photograph of a white building with a porch. A blue line is drawn across the porch area, labeled "HWM" (High Water Mark). A surveying instrument is visible in the foreground.

Caption: The June 2016 Flood High-Water Mark was 9.1 feet for Building 51-04-0003-0007-0000 91 located near the town Camden-On-Gauley (Webster County) on the Gauley River. The Base Flood Elevation is increasing by 6 feet on the new FEMA flood maps for this location.

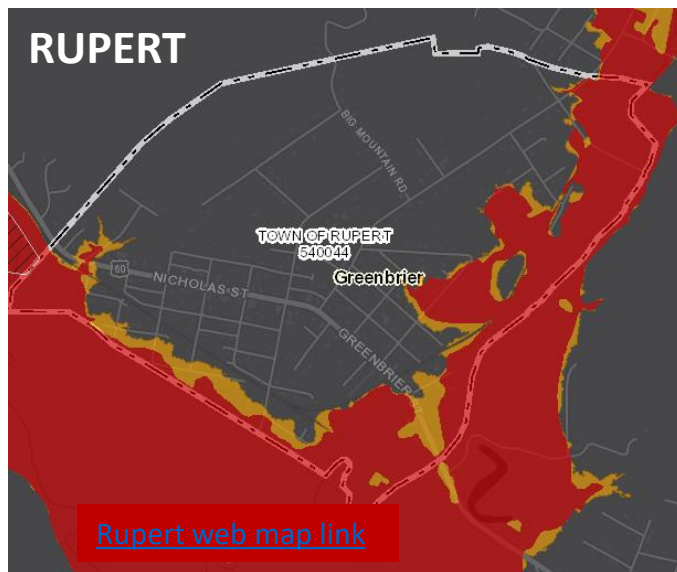
Floodplain Measurements (Area)

Region 4 Incorporated Areas: Acreage in Effective SFHA

Municipality Name	County	Total Community Area (acres)	Modified Total SFHA Area (acres) ¹	Ratio of aSFHA to Community Area
RUPERT, TOWN OF	GREENBRIER COUNTY	501	114	23%
MARLINTON, TOWN OF	POCAHONTAS COUNTY	1,566	330	21%
ALDERSON, TOWN OF	GREENBRIER COUNTY & MONROE COUNTY	611	126	21%
MEADOW BRIDGE, TOWN OF	FAYETTE COUNTY	260	50	19%
WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, CITY OF	GREENBRIER COUNTY	1,214	189	16%

1 Areas excluded from Total aSFHA: Open water lakes > 10 acres; Large river bank-to-bank > 500 ft.; Federal lands > 10 acres

2 Source Table: https://data.wvgis.wvu.edu/pub/RA/State/CL/Flood_Zone_Type-Length-aSFHA/



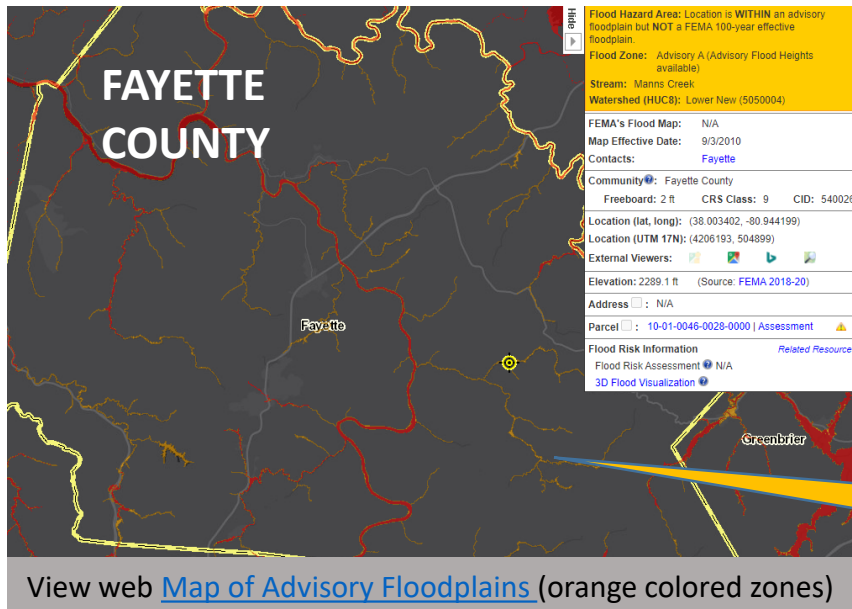
Risk Assessment: About 20% of the total incorporated land of **Rupert, Marlinton, Alderson, and Meadow Bridge** are in the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) and thus have a higher 1%-annual-chance (100-yr) floodplain exposure than other communities.

Mitigation Note: The acreage in the SFHA (aSFHA) is an important programming variable for FEMA's Community Rating System (CRS). Both Greenbrier and Fayette Unincorporated are [West Virginia CRS Class 9](#) communities.

Floodplain Measurements (Length)

Floodplain Length (miles): High-Risk Effective & Advisory Flood Zones

Community Name	Stream Length(mi) - Zones: AE,AH,AO	Stream Length (mi) - Effective A	Stream Length (mi) – Advisory A	Total Length (mi)	Detailed Zone %	Approx. A Zone %	Advisory Zone %	Total Flood Zone Rank in State
GREENBRIER	55	508	43	606	9%	84%	7%	2
NICHOLAS	26	371	2	399	7%	93%	0%	9
POCAHONTAS	87	290	6	382	23%	76%	2%	12
FAYETTE	29	124	187	340	8%	37%	55%	16
WEBSTER	131	183	2	316	41%	58%	1%	22



Risk Assessment

Greenbrier County is ranked 2nd in the State in flood zone stream miles.

Note: If the Advisory Floodplains (orange color) for **Fayette County** become effective (red color) upon completion of new flood studies, then most likely the flood zone miles will more than double (55%) with an increase of 187 miles of effective A Zones. Refer to [High-Risk Advisory Floodplains](#) for more information.

New flood map for Fayette County will most likely double the effective flood zone stream miles

R4 Risk Assessment

**FLOODPLAIN BUILDING INVENTORY &
FUTURE MAP CONDITIONS**

What buildings are at risk?

Building Risk by Flood Source

Building Counts and Building Exposure \$ Values by Stream Name

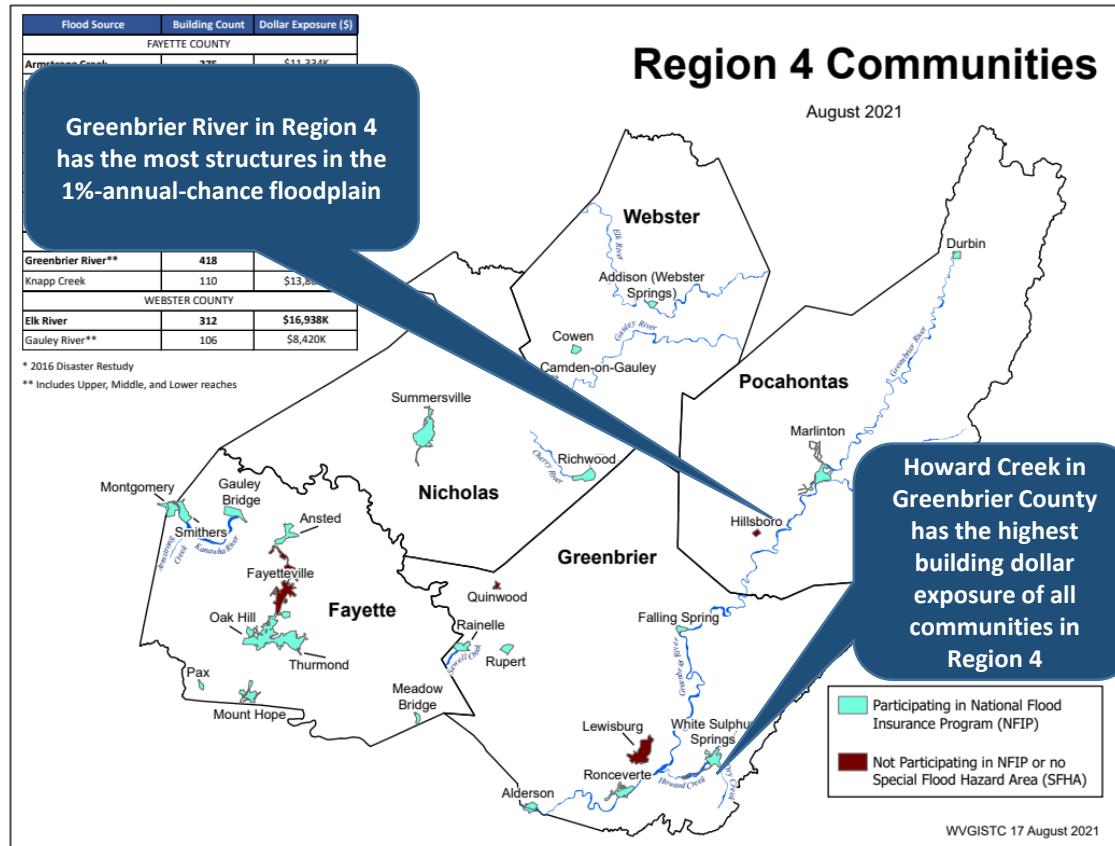
Flood Sources	Building Count	Dollar Exposure (\$)
FAYETTE COUNTY		
Armstrong Creek	275	\$13,334K
Kanawha River	242	\$46,459K
GREENBRIER COUNTY		
Greenbrier River*	528	\$60,728K
Howard Creek*	364	\$94,870K
Sewell Creek*	333	\$14,716K
Dry Creek	197	\$19,183K
NICHOLAS COUNTY		
Cherry River*	374	\$15,719K
POCAHONTAS COUNTY		
Greenbrier River**	418	\$29,097K
Knapp Creek	110	\$13,882K
WEBSTER COUNTY		
Elk River	312	\$16,938K
Gauley River**	106	\$8,420K

Computed for 1% (100-yr) floodplain

* 2016 Disaster Restudy

RA Tables: [Buildings by River/Stream Name](#)

Greenbrier River totals for Greenbrier and Pocahontas counties:
946 buildings in 1% floodplain, \$90M dollar exposure



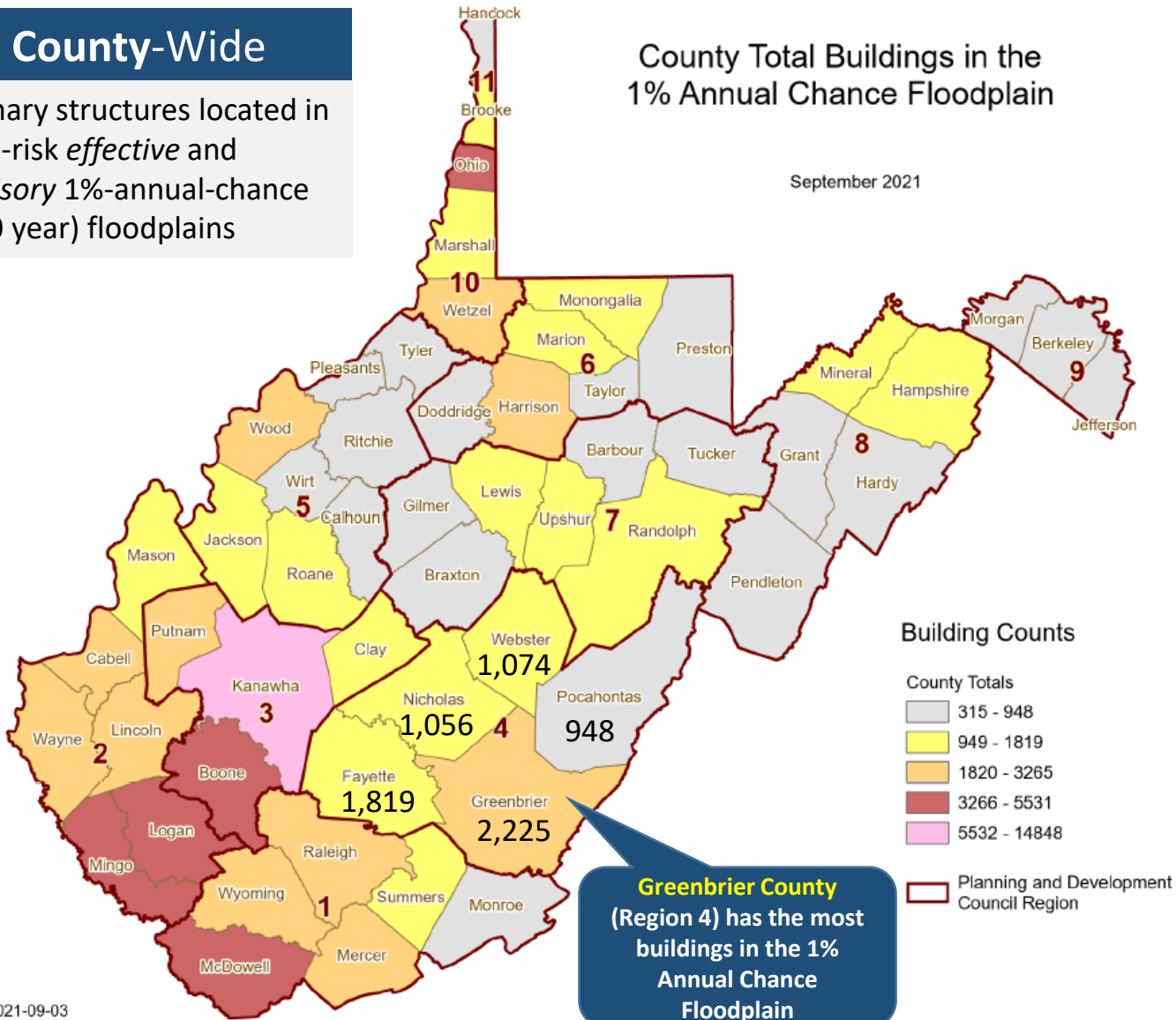
Buildings in 1% Floodplain

County-Wide

Primary structures located in high-risk *effective* and *advisory* 1%-annual-chance (100 year) floodplains

County Total Buildings in the 1% Annual Chance Floodplain

September 2021



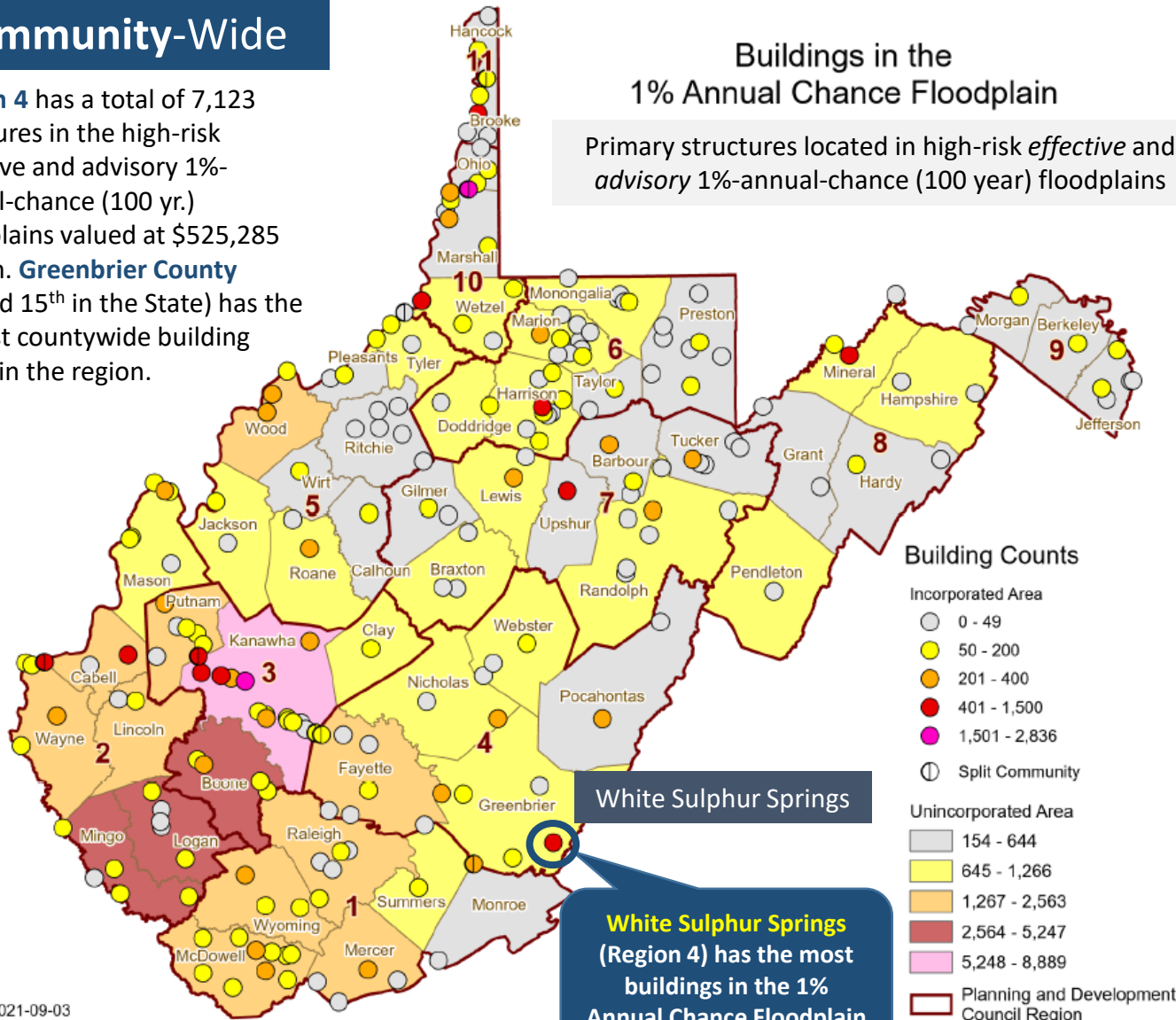
Buildings in 1% Floodplain

Community-Wide

Region 4 has a total of 7,123 structures in the high-risk effective and advisory 1%-annual-chance (100 yr.) floodplains valued at \$525,285 million. **Greenbrier County** (ranked 15th in the State) has the highest countywide building count in the region.

Buildings in the 1% Annual Chance Floodplain

Primary structures located in high-risk *effective* and *advisory* 1%-annual-chance (100 year) floodplains



Building Risk by Flood Zone

Community Identification	
Ansted	FAYETTE
Fayette County*	FAYETTE
Gauley Bridge	FAYETTE
Meadow Bridge	FAYETTE
Montgomery**	FAYETTE
Mount Hope	FAYETTE
Oak Hill	FAYETTE
Pax	FAYETTE
Smithers**	FAYETTE
	FAYETTE
Alderson**	GREENBRIER
Falling Springs	GREENBRIER
Greenbrier County*	GREENBRIER
Rainelle	GREENBRIER
Ronceverte	GREENBRIER
Rupert	GREENBRIER
White Sulphur Springs	GREENBRIER
	GREENBRIER
Nicholas County*	NICHOLAS
Richwood	NICHOLAS
Summersville	NICHOLAS
	NICHOLAS
Durbin	POCAHONTAS
Marlinton	POCAHONTAS
Pocahontas County*	POCAHONTAS
	POCAHONTAS
Addison	WEBSTER
Camden-On-Gauley	WEBSTER
Cowen	WEBSTER
Webster County*	WEBSTER
	WEBSTER

SFHA - FUTURE MAP CONDITIONS				
Flood way	No Change SFHA	Mapped in SFHA	Mapped Out SFHA	
0	0	0	1	
35	699	547	248	
2	20	23	0	
0	18	3	2	
0	12	1	2	
0	30	0	8	
0	23	4	28	
7	30	0	2	
14	44	12	4	
58	876	590	295	
19	111	7	6	
0	3	0	0	
60	652	293	177	
9	0	331	0	
0	47	0	20	
0	22	36	4	
67	175	68	118	
155	1010	735	325	
30	587	25	50	
109	153	30	37	
0	33	0	2	
139	773	55	89	
1	6	20	0	
13	343	20	5	
61	318	127	34	
75	667	167	39	
23	79	4	20	
0	18	3	0	
0	35	0	0	
119	634	55	84	
142	766	62	104	

HIGH-RISK FLOOD ZONES		
Effective	Advisory	Total
1	0	1
982	547	1529
22	23	45
20	3	23
14	1	15
38	0	38
51	4	55
39	0	39
62	12	74
1229	590	1819
136	7	143
3	0	3
889	293	1182
9	331	340
67	0	67
26	36	62
360	68	428
1490	735	2225
667	25	692
299	30	329
35	0	35
1001	55	1056
7	20	27
361	20	381
413	127	540
781	167	948
122	4	126
18	3	21
35	0	35
837	55	892
1012	62	1074

Region 4 Table

[Community-Level Flood Zone Breakdown](#)

Risk Assessment:

According to future flood maps, **Fayette, Greenbrier, and Pocahontas** counties have many structures being mapped into the higher risk 1%-annual-chance floodplain.

Webster Unincorporated and Richwood Incorporated have the most structures in the floodway. Buildings in the main channel of the river or stream, or close to the flood source, will be subject to the greatest flood depths, highest velocities, and greatest debris potential.

Region 4 Flood Zone Buildings Counts

High-Risk Effective and Advisory 1%-Annual Chance (100-Yr) Floodplains

High-Risk Effective Floodplains (Special Flood Hazard Areas)	
SFHA (Effective only)	5,486
Approximate A	2,598
Detailed AE	2,306
Detailed AE Floodway	582

High-Risk Effective and Advisory Floodplains	
SFHA	5,486
Mapped in Advisory A / AE	1,636
Total High-Risk (Effective & Advisory) 1% Floodplains	7,122

Building counts from August 2021 Building Level Risk Assessment

Building Risk by Community Type

BUILDING COUNT RANKING		
Community	Region	State
INCORPORATED		
White Sulphur Springs	1	12
Marlinton	2	15
Rainelle	3	18
Richwood	4	21
Alderson**	5	36
Addison (Webster Springs)	6	63
UNINCORPORATED		
Fayette	1	14
Greenbrier	2	16
Webster	3	25
Nicholas	4	41
Pocahontas	5	42
COUNTY		
Greenbrier	1	15
Fayette	2	18
Webster	3	30
Nicholas	4	31
Pocahontas	5	35

Risk Assessment:

White Sulphur Springs INCORPORATED AREA has the highest 1% flood zone building counts and dollar exposure

Fayette and Greenbrier UNINCORPORATED AREAS have the highest building counts and dollar exposure, respectively.

Greenbrier COUNTY has the highest building counts and dollar exposure

BUILDING \$ VALUE RANKING		
Community	Region	State
INCORPORATED		
White Sulphur Springs	1	28
Marlinton	2	29
Rainelle	3	51
Alderson**	4	52
Richwood	5	58
Addison (Webster Springs)	6	59
UNINCORPORATED		
Greenbrier	1	14
Fayette	2	25
Webster	3	33
Nicholas	4	41
Pocahontas	5	42
COUNTY		
Greenbrier	1	17
Fayette	2	31
Pocahontas	3	37
Webster	4	38
Nicholas	5	45

Highest number of primary structures in the 1% floodplain:

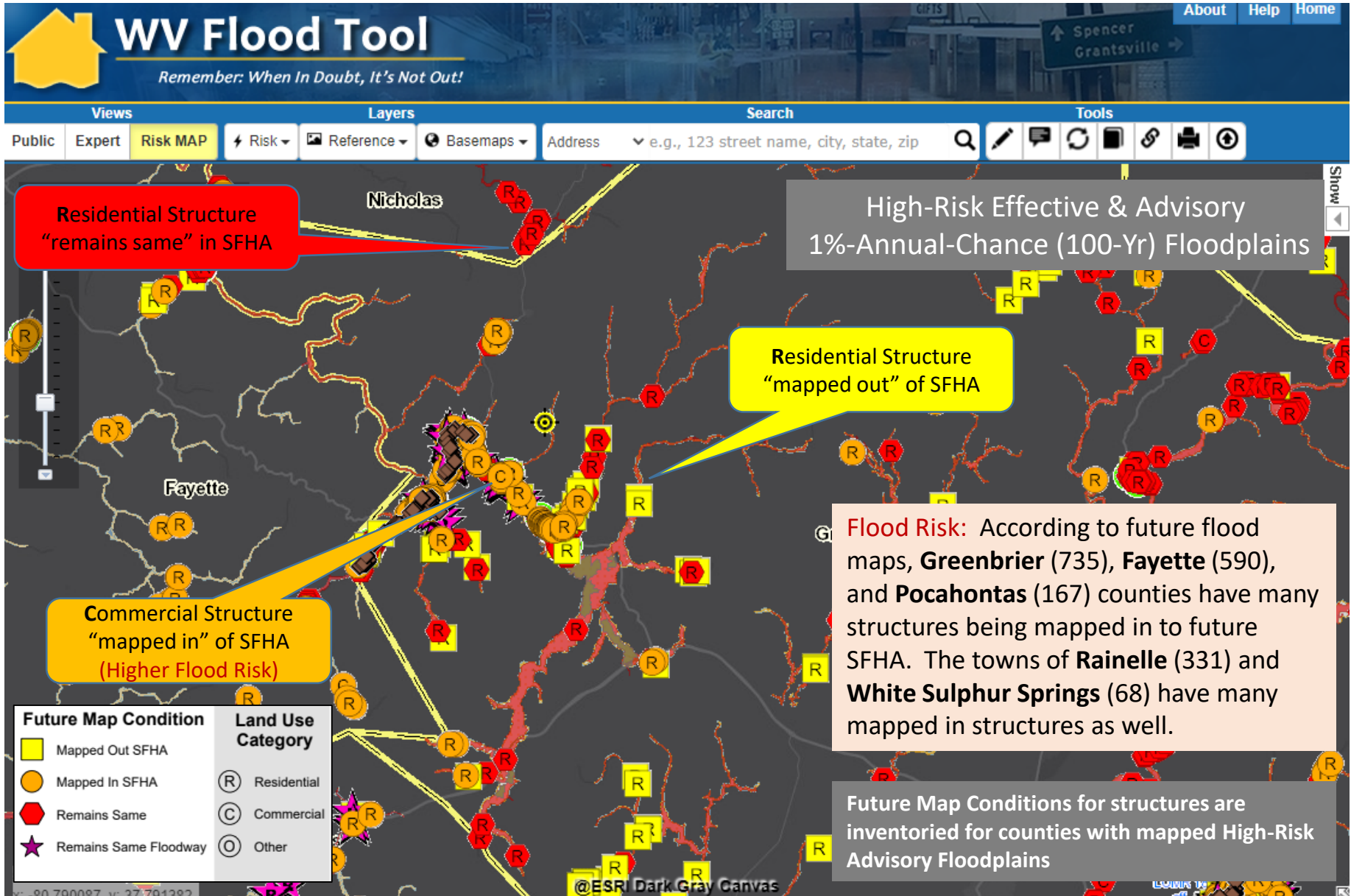
- White Sulphur Springs (incorporated)
- Fayette County Unincorporated (unincorporated area)
- Greenbrier County (countywide)

** Split Community Source: Region 4 Community-Level Building Exposure Table

Highest building dollar exposure in the 1% floodplain:

- White Sulphur Springs (incorporated)
- Greenbrier County Unincorporated (unincorporated)
- Greenbrier County (countywide)

Building Future Map Conditions



Future Building Map Conditions

SFHA AND FUTURE MAP CONDITIONS	Select counties have non-regulatory, advisory flood zones (orange zones on WV Flood Tool) that indicate future map conditions of the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA).
Floodway	Floodways can be dangerous because water may flow very fast. Development is not allowed unless there is "no rise" in flood elevations, floodway elevations, and floodway widths are certified. Structures in floodways may require special consideration for mitigation measures.
No Change SFHA	No Change in SFHA designation where High-Risk Effective and Advisory Floodplains overlap. When future map restudies are completed and new FIRMs become effective, it is predicted that structures with this designation are neither "mapped in" nor "mapped out" of the SFHA.
Mapped In SFHA	Risk Assessment: Structures potentially " mapped-in " the SFHA according to mapped High-Risk Advisory Floodplains based on more accurate topography and model-backed A Zones. The "mapped-in" structures most likely will be included in the SFHA when future FEMA Restudies are done and new FIRMS become effective. Communities should review all "mapped-in" structures. Homeowners are at higher risk to flooding and should be contacted about Flood Insurance Preferred Risk Policies and other potential mitigation measures.
Mapped Out SFHA	Structures potentially " mapped-out " the SFHA according to mapped Advisory Floodplains and most likely will NOT be included in the SFHA when the new FIRMs become effective from future Restudies. Communities should review all "mapped-out" structures for LiDAR LOMAs. Although these structures may be mapped to a lesser flood risk designation, property owners should be encouraged to purchase Flood Insurance Preferred Risk Policies at lower premiums. Fayette County example Monroe County example

Building Risk Reports

Incorporate information from Risk Assessment Reports into local hazard mitigation planning



Residential
Home



Residential
Manufactured Home



Residential
Apartment



Non-Residential
Commercial



Non-Residential
Industrial



Non-Residential
Other

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Police Station



Fire Station



E-911 Dispatch



School



Hospital



Nursing Home

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Religious
Organization



Educational
Building



Emergency Medical
Services



Government
Building



Utility



National Register
Historical Structure

Region 4 [Community Assets Report](#)

Building Exposure and Type

Risk Assessment: What is at risk?

Floodplain Building Counts: *Which communities have the most buildings in high-risk effective and advisory floodplains?* **Greenbrier County** (ranked 15th in the State) has the highest countywide building counts in the region. **Fayette County Unincorporated** (ranked 14th for unincorporated areas) and the towns of **White Sulphur Springs** (ranked 12th for incorporated areas) and **Marlinton** (ranked 15th) also have high building counts.

Building Dollar Exposure: **Greenbrier County** (ranked 9th in the State) and the incorporated city of **White Sulphur Springs** (ranked 20th for incorporated areas) have the *highest building dollar values* exposed to a 1%-annual-chance flood event. *Higher building values increase substantial damage thresholds and mitigation reconstruction costs.*

Residential/Non-Residential Occupancy Type: Most of the primary buildings in the floodplain are *residential*: **Webster County** (92%), **Fayette County** (91%), **Greenbrier County** (87%), **Nicholas County** (86%), and **Pocahontas County** (85%). Municipalities typically have a higher percentage of *non-residential* structures, such as the towns of **Gauley Bridge** (53%) and **Ronceverte** (49%), in which half the structures are non-residential. *The occupancy type (residential versus non-residential) impacts requirements for flood insurance, mitigation construction, substantial damage calculations, flood model estimates, etc.*

Residential Structure Type: The majority of the residential structures (<= 4 units) valued at more than \$1 million dollars for both **Region 4** and the **State** are located along [Howard Creek](#) in **Greenbrier County**. In fact, 74% of million-dollar structures in State are located along [Howard Creek](#). It is expected that some of these structures will be removed from the 1%-annual-chance floodplain when the preliminary study flood maps become effective.

Non-Residential Structure Type: The top non-residential structures in the 1%-annual-chance floodplain with the highest building value are the **Ronceverte Wastewater Treatment Plant** (\$24M) and **White Sulphur Springs (Caldwell) Wastewater Treatment Plant** (\$17M) in Greenbrier County, **Summersville Wastewater Treatment Plant** (\$10M) in Nicholas County, and **Hacker Valley School** (\$9M) in Webster County

Building Exposure and Type

Risk Assessment: What is at risk?

Median Building Replacement Value: **Greenbrier** (\$43K) and **Pocahontas** (\$34K) **counties** rank 32nd and 43rd, respectively, in the State for countywide median single-family dwelling (RES 1 Occupancy Class) replacement value. The value for Greenbrier County is close to the statewide median single family dwelling value of \$44,000.

Owner Occupied: Of the residential buildings, most of the building stock is *owner-occupied*: **Nicholas** (82%), **Fayette** (79%), **Pocahontas** (72%), **Webster** (70%), and **Greenbrier** (66%). *Renters may not have flood insurance and be at higher risk.*

Manufactured Homes: **Webster County Unincorporated** (ranked 28th in the State) has the highest percentage (28%) of *manufactured homes* for *single family dwelling* building stock. The town of **Cowen** (ranked 10th for incorporated areas) also has a high percentage (54%). *Lighter-weight manufactured homes are more vulnerable to flood damage.*

Building Year and FIRM Status: **Webster County** ranks 27th in the State for the highest percentage of *Post-FIRM structures* or new development. The cities of **Mount Hope** and **Ronceverte** are two of the oldest communities in the region with *building year median values* of 1920.

Residential versus Non-Residential

Community	RESIDENTIAL				COMMERCIAL NON-RESIDENTIAL		OTHER NON-RESIDENTIAL		TOTAL BUILDING VALUE		
Community Name	#	% Count	Value (\$)	% Value	#	Value (\$)	#	Value (\$)	#	Value (\$)	Rank ¹
Ansted	1	100.0%	\$66K	100.0%	0	\$0K	0	\$0K	1	\$66K	19
Fayette County*	1425	93.2%	\$50,385K	66.9%	57	\$6,523K	47	\$18,398K	1529	\$75,307K	2
Gauley Bridge	21	46.7%	\$869K	27.4%	24	\$2,302K	0	\$0K	45	\$3,171K	11
Meadow Bridge	21	91.3%	\$695K	96.8%	2	\$23K	0	\$0K	23	\$718K	16
Montgomery**	13	86.7%	\$1,083K	25.2%	1	\$1,000K	1	\$2,215K	15	\$4,298K	
Mount Hope	32	84.2%	\$787K	65.1%	4	\$101K	2	\$322K	38	\$1,210K	14
Oak Hill	50	90.9%	\$2,262K	95.3%	5	\$111K	0	\$0K	55	\$2,373K	12
Pax	32	82.1%	\$925K	67.9%	3	\$98K	4	\$340K	39	\$1,362K	13
Smithers**	63	85.1%	\$2,064K	55.8%	8	\$837K	3	\$796K	74	\$3,698K	
FAYETTE	1658	91.1%	\$59,136K	64.1%	104	\$10,994K	57	\$22,071K	1819	\$92,201K	2
Alderson**	121	84.6%	\$6,485K	56.7%	17	\$1,028K	5	\$3,931K	143	\$11,443K	5**
Falling Springs	3	100.0%	\$157K	100.0%	0	\$0K	0	\$0K	3	\$157K	18
Greenbrier County*	1101	93.1%	\$103,297K	77.7%	68	\$6,511K	13	\$23,065K	1182	\$132,873K	1
Rainelle	253	74.4%	\$8,392K	55.4%	78	\$5,751K	9	\$1,006K	340	\$15,149K	4
Ronceverte	34	50.7%	\$1,354K	4.5%	32	\$4,436K	1	\$24,000K	67	\$29,790K	3
Rupert	58	93.5%	\$2,321K	73.2%	2	\$291K	2	\$561K	62	\$3,173K	10
White Sulphur Springs	375	87.6%	\$18,910K	36.4%	42	\$5,144K	11	\$27,940K	428	\$51,994K	1
GREENBRIER	1945	87.4%	\$140,916K	57.6%	239	\$23,161K	41	\$80,503K	2225	\$244,580K	1
Nicholas County*	624	90.2%	\$21,060K	68.1%	42	\$6,646K	26	\$3,230K	692	\$30,936K	4
Richwood	265	80.5%	\$7,518K	55.8%	47	\$1,399K	17	\$4,556K	329	\$13,473K	6
Summersville	23	63.9%	\$1,497K	11.3%	11	\$1,657K	2	\$10,109K	36	\$13,263K	7
NICHOLAS	912	86.3%	\$30,075K	52.1%	100	\$9,703K	45	\$17,895K	1057	\$57,672K	5
Durbin	23	85.2%	\$645K	72.4%	2	\$157K	2	\$89K	27	\$891K	15
Marlinton	286	75.1%	\$15,309K	44.3%	82	\$9,635K	13	\$9,586K	381	\$34,529K	2
Pocahontas County*	502	93.0%	\$23,166K	84.7%	23	\$2,460K	15	\$1,731K	540	\$27,358K	5
POCAHONTAS	811	85.5%	\$39,120K	62.3%	107	\$12,252K	30	\$11,406K	948	\$62,779K	4
Addison	107	84.9%	\$3,855K	32.7%	15	\$3,053K	4	\$4,892K	126	\$11,799K	8
Camden-On-Gauley	13	61.9%	\$263K	45.9%	4	\$32K	4	\$279K	21	\$573K	17
Cowen	28	80.0%	\$814K	15.4%	4	\$92K	3	\$4,375K	35	\$5,281K	9
Webster County*	839	94.1%	\$25,759K	51.1%	27	\$2,685K	26	\$21,957K	892	\$50,400K	3
WEBSTER	987	91.9%	\$30,690K	45.1%	50	\$5,861K	37	\$31,502K	1074	\$68,053K	3
SUMMARY	6,313	88.5%	\$299,937K	56.3%	600	\$61,971K	210	\$163,376K	7,123	\$525,285K	
Alderson (Greenbrier/Monroe) Split Community Total:											
Alderson**	175	0.0%	\$8,869K	60.4%	24	\$1,482K	10	\$4,332K	209	\$14,683K	5



Residential Home



Residential Manufactured Home



Residential Apartment



Non-Residential Commercial



Non-Residential Industrial



Non-Residential Other

[Building Dollar Exposure Report:](#)
Residential versus Non-Residential

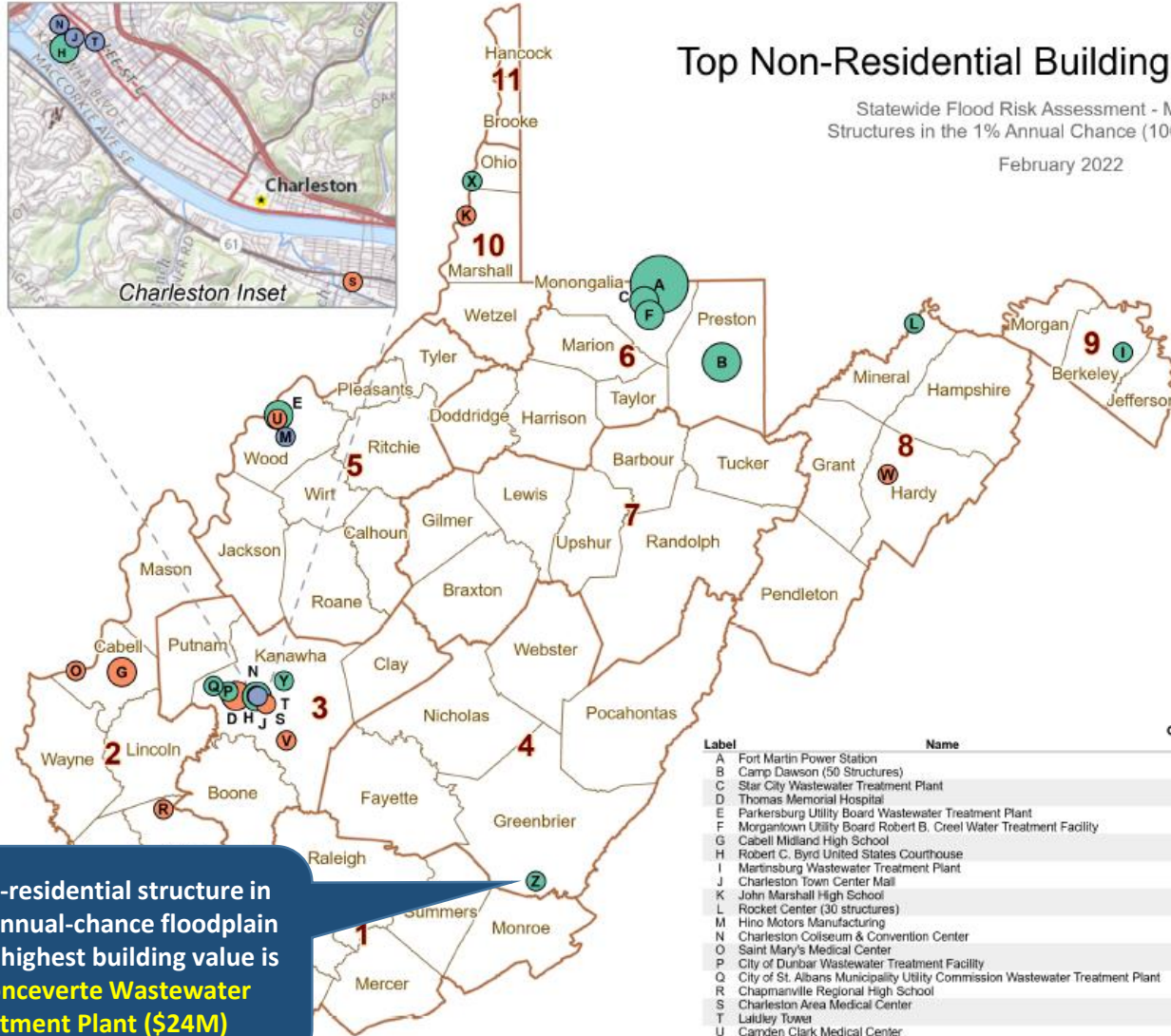
¹ Group Rank on Community Type: County, Unincorporated, Incorporated. Table ranking by Region and not Statewide.

Non-Residential Building Exposure

Top Non-Residential Building Dollar Exposure

Statewide Flood Risk Assessment - Multimillion \$
Structures in the 1% Annual Chance (100-yr) Floodplain

February 2022



Building \$ Exposure

Building Type

- Essential Facility (High schools, Hospitals)
- Community Asset (Utilities, Government)
- Other (Commercial, Industry)

Exposure Magnitude

- ≥ \$24M
- ≥ \$53M
- ≥ \$103M
- \$800M

Label	Name	Occupancy Class	County	Value	Source
A	Fort Martin Power Station	COM4	MONONGALIA	\$800M	Other
B	Camp Dawson (50 Structures)	GOV1	PRESTON	\$276M	Tax
C	Star City Wastewater Treatment Plant	GOV1	MONONGALIA	\$102M	Other
D	Thomas Memorial Hospital	COM6	KANAWHA	\$97M	Tax
E	Parkersburg Utility Board Wastewater Treatment Plant	GOV1	WOOD	\$69M	Other
F	Morgantown Utility Board Robert B. Creel Water Treatment Facility	GOV1	MONONGALIA	\$64M	Other
G	Cabell Midland High School	EDU1	CABELL	\$61M	BRIM
H	Robert C. Byrd United States Courthouse	GOV1	KANAWHA	\$58M	Tax
I	Martinsburg Wastewater Treatment Plant	COM4	BERKELEY	\$52M	Tax
J	Charleston Town Center Mall	COM1	KANAWHA	\$44M	Tax
K	John Marshall High School	EDU1	MARSHALL	\$41M	BRIM
L	Rocket Center (30 structures)	IND2	MINERAL	\$40M	Tax
M	Hino Motors Manufacturing	IND2	WOOD	\$38M	Tax
N	Charleston Coliseum & Convention Center	COM8	KANAWHA	\$30M	Tax Modified
O	Saint Mary's Medical Center	COM6	CABELL	\$30M	Tax
P	City of Dunbar Wastewater Treatment Facility	GOV1	KANAWHA	\$29M	Other
Q	City of St. Albans Municipality Utility Commission Wastewater Treatment Plant	GOV1	KANAWHA	\$28M	Other
R	Chapmanville Regional High School	EDU1	LOGAN	\$28M	BRIM
S	Charleston Area Medical Center	COM7	KANAWHA	\$27M	Tax
T	Laidley Tower	COM4	KANAWHA	\$26M	Tax Modified
U	Camden Clark Medical Center	COM6	WOOD	\$25M	Tax
V	Riverside High School	EDU1	KANAWHA	\$25M	Tax
W	Moorefield High School	EDU1	HARDY	\$24M	Tax
X	Wheeling Water Pollution Control Plant	GOV1	OHIO	\$24M	Other
Y	Elk Valley Public Service District Wastewater Treatment Plant	GOV1	KANAWHA	\$24M	Other
Z	Ronceverte Wastewater Treatment Plant	GOV1	GREENBRIER	\$24M	Other

Top non-residential structure in the 1%-annual-chance floodplain with the highest building value is the **Ronceverte Wastewater Treatment Plant (\$24M)**

Non-Residential: High Bldg. Values

Highly valued buildings in 1% Floodplain for **Fayette County**. Which high-valued-structures are vulnerable to riverine flooding?

FAYETTE COUNTY Community Name	WV Flood Tool Link	FAYETTE COUNTY Owner Name or Building ID	Hazard Occupancy Code	General Occupancy	Building Appraisal
Smithers**	FT	BOARD OF EDUCATION FAY CO	EDU1	Other	\$ 17,343,724
Montgomery**	FT	LAIRD FOUNDATION INC	COM6	Commercial	\$ 5,254,600
Smithers**	FT	BOARD OF EDUCATION FAY CO	EDU1	Other	\$ 4,213,763
Fayette County*	FT	WHITE OAK PUBLIC SERVICE DIST	COM4	Commercial	\$ 4,000,000
Fayette County*	FT	CITY OF MT HOPE	COM4	Commercial	\$ 3,000,000
Montgomery**	FT	LIVING WATERS CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP (TRUSTEES)	REL1	Other	\$ 2,214,940
Fayette County*	FT	ARMSTRONG PUB SERV DIST	COM4	Commercial	\$ 2,000,000
Fayette County*	FT	CLONCH INDUSTRIES INC	IND1	Commercial	\$ 1,285,200

* Unincorporated ** Split Community

Region 4: Tabular Building-Level Report Link: [data.wvgis.wvu.edu - /pub/RA/State/BL/BLRA/R4_BLRA_Full_List/](https://data.wvgis.wvu.edu/pub/RA/State/BL/BLRA/R4_BLRA_Full_List/)

Region 4: Top 10% Data Extract of High Building Dollar Exposure: <https://data.wvgis.wvu.edu/pub/RA/State/BL/Extract/HighBldgValue/>

State Top 100: Building Exposure: <https://data.wvgis.wvu.edu/pub/RA/State/BL/Top-List/Top100/>

Community Engagement and Verification: Region 4 has a total of **7,123 structures** in the 1%-annual-chance floodplain valued at **\$525,285 million**

Building-Level Verification: Verify the highly valued buildings using the [building-level risk assessment \(BLRA\) table](#), [Top 10% data extract high-building dollar exposure](#), [statewide top building exposure listing](#), and [Risk MAP View](#) of the WV Flood Tool. For buildings inventoried in the 1% floodplains, review the most expensive residential and non-residential buildings located in the high-risk flood zones sorted on building appraisal value from largest to smallest value. Identify building-level mitigation and outreach strategies.

Non-Residential: High Bldg. Values

Highly valued buildings in 1% Floodplain for **Greenbrier County**. Which high-valued-structures are vulnerable to riverine flooding?

GREENBRIER COUNTY Community Name	WV Flood Tool Link	GREENBRIER COUNTY Owner Name or Building ID	Hazard Occupancy Code	General Occupancy	Building Appraisal
Ronceverte	FT	THE CITY OF RONCEVERTE WWP	GOV1	Other	\$24,000,000
White Sulphur Springs	FT	GREENBRIER CO BD OF ED	EDU1	Other	\$ 8,542,982
Greenbrier County*	FT	W V DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION	GOV1	Other	\$ 4,067,092
Alderson**	FT	BOARD OF EDUCATION	EDU1	Other	\$ 3,508,927
Ronceverte	FT	B A MULLICAN LUMBER & MANUFACTURING CO L P	IND1	Commercial	\$ 2,043,400
Rainelle	FT	PARK CENTER INC	COM1	Commercial	\$ 1,443,900
White Sulphur Springs	FT	BANK OF WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS	COM5	Commercial	\$ 1,186,700
Greenbrier County*	FT	WHATCOAT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH	REL1	Other	\$ 768,240

* Unincorporated ** Split Community

Region 4: Tabular Building-Level Report Link: [data.wvgis.wvu.edu - /pub/RA/State/BL/BLRA/R4_BLR4_Full_List/](https://data.wvgis.wvu.edu/pub/RA/State/BL/BLRA/R4_BLR4_Full_List/)

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Residential % of Building Stock

Building Stock mostly RESIDENTIAL

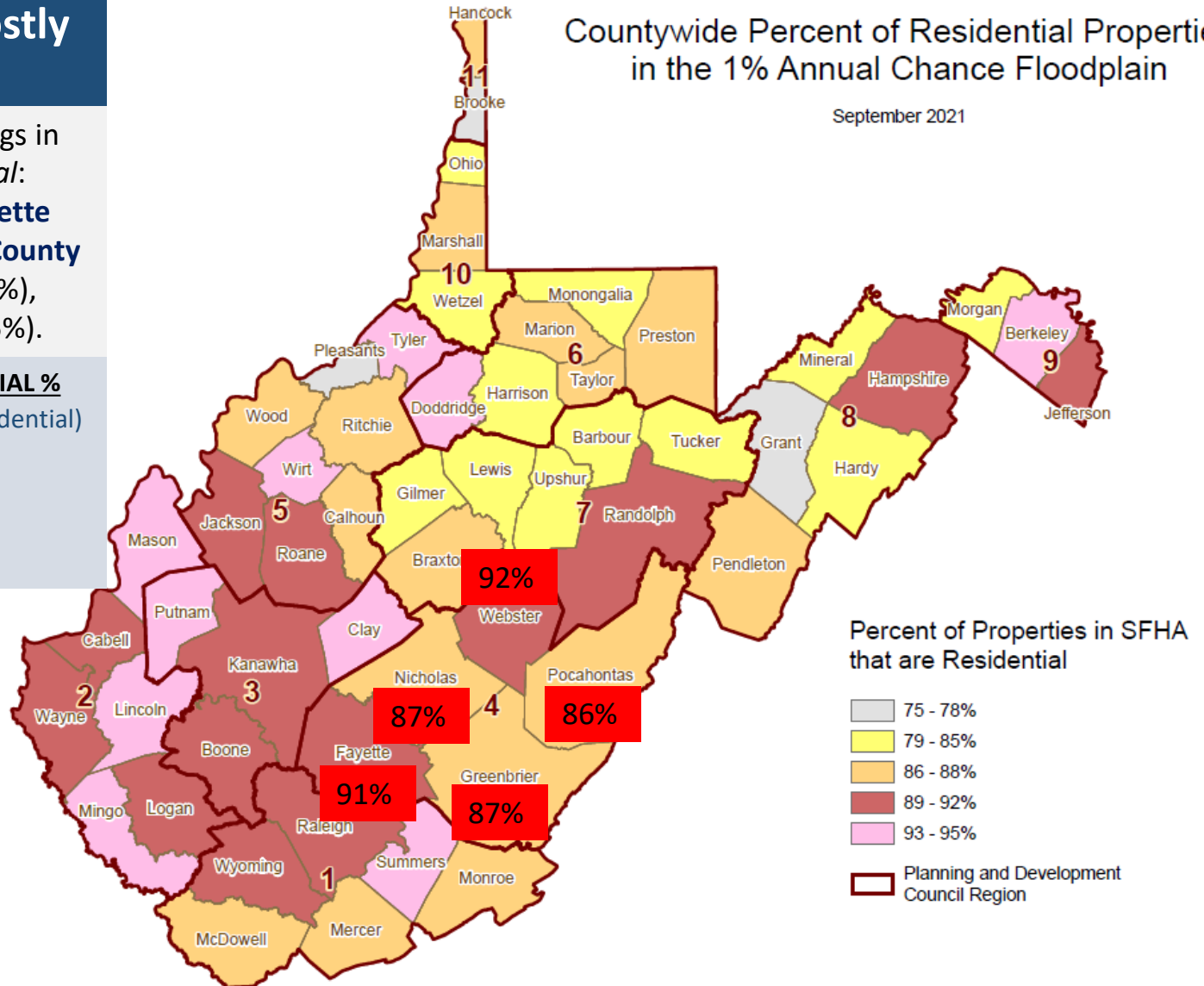
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Top Towns high NON-RESIDENTIAL %

- Gauley Bridge (53% Non-Residential)
- Ronceverte(49%)
- Camden-on-Gauley (38%)
- Summersville (34%)
- Marlinton(25%)

Countywide Percent of Residential Properties in the 1% Annual Chance Floodplain

September 2021



Residential: Single Family Dwellings

Community		SINGLE FAMILY HOME		MANUFACTURED (MOBILE) HOME			SINGLE FAMILY TOTAL		
Community Name	County	Count	Value (\$)	Count	% Count	Value (\$)	Count	Value (\$)	Group Rank ¹
Ansted	FAYETTE	1	\$66K	0	0.0%	\$0K	1	\$66K	18
Fayette County*	FAYETTE	1165	\$44,640K	239	17.0%	\$4,131K	1404	\$48,771K	2
Gauley Bridge	FAYETTE	17	\$619K	1	5.6%	\$10K	18	\$629K	15
Meadow Bridge	FAYETTE	13	\$551K	7	35.0%	\$113K	20	\$664K	13
Montgomery**	FAYETTE	11	\$931K	1	8.3%	\$15K	12	\$945K	3
Mount Hope	FAYETTE	31	\$771K	1	3.1%	\$16K	32	\$787K	12
Oak Hill	FAYETTE	47	\$2,173K	2	4.1%	\$39K	49	\$2,212K	7
Pax	FAYETTE	28	\$827K	4	12.5%	\$97K	32	\$925K	10
Smithers**	FAYETTE	54	\$1,802K	6	10.0%	\$77K	60	\$1,879K	2
	FAYETTE	1367	\$52,379K	261	16.0%	\$4,499K	1628	\$56,877K	2
Alderson**	GREENBRIER	107	\$5,786K	10	8.5%	\$248K	117	\$6,034K	1
Falling Springs	GREENBRIER	2	\$137K	1	33.3%	\$20K	3	\$157K	17
Greenbrier County*	GREENBRIER	822	\$96,262K	264	24.3%	\$6,626K	1086	\$102,888K	1
Rainelle	GREENBRIER	229	\$7,621K	16	6.5%	\$579K	245	\$8,200K	3
Ronceverte	GREENBRIER	29	\$1,138K	0	0.0%	\$0K	29	\$1,138K	9
Rupert	GREENBRIER	45	\$1,974K	11	19.6%	\$329K	56	\$2,302K	6
White Sulphur Springs	GREENBRIER	338	\$15,856K	4	1.2%	\$125K	342	\$15,981K	1
	GREENBRIER	1572	\$128,774K	306	16.3%	\$7,926K	1878	\$136,699K	1
Nicholas County*	NICHOLAS	455	\$17,833K	165	26.6%	\$2,939K	620	\$20,772K	5
Richwood	NICHOLAS	217	\$6,725K	42	16.2%	\$630K	259	\$7,356K	4
Summersville	NICHOLAS	19	\$1,423K	3	13.6%	\$55K	22	\$1,478K	8
	NICHOLAS	691	\$25,981K	210	23.3%	\$3,624K	901	\$29,605K	5
Durbin	POCAHONTAS	15	\$499K	7	31.8%	\$130K	22	\$629K	14
Marlinton	POCAHONTAS	244	\$8,263K	22	8.3%	\$354K	266	\$8,617K	2
Pocahontas County*	POCAHONTAS	400	\$21,017K	90	18.4%	\$1,504K	490	\$22,521K	4
	POCAHONTAS	659	\$29,779K	119	15.3%	\$1,988K	778	\$31,767K	3
Addison	WEBSTER	95	\$3,434K	11	10.4%	\$211K	106	\$3,645K	5
Camden-On-Gauley	WEBSTER	9	\$171K	4	30.8%	\$92K	13	\$263K	16
Cowen	WEBSTER	13	\$423K	15	53.6%	\$391K	28	\$814K	11
Webster County*	WEBSTER	598	\$20,815K	238	28.5%	\$4,885K	836	\$25,700K	3
	WEBSTER	715	\$24,842K	268	27.3%	\$5,580K	983	\$30,422K	4
SUMMARY		5,004	\$261,756K	1,164	19.6%	\$23,616K	6,168	\$285,371K	



Residential Home



Residential Manufactured Home

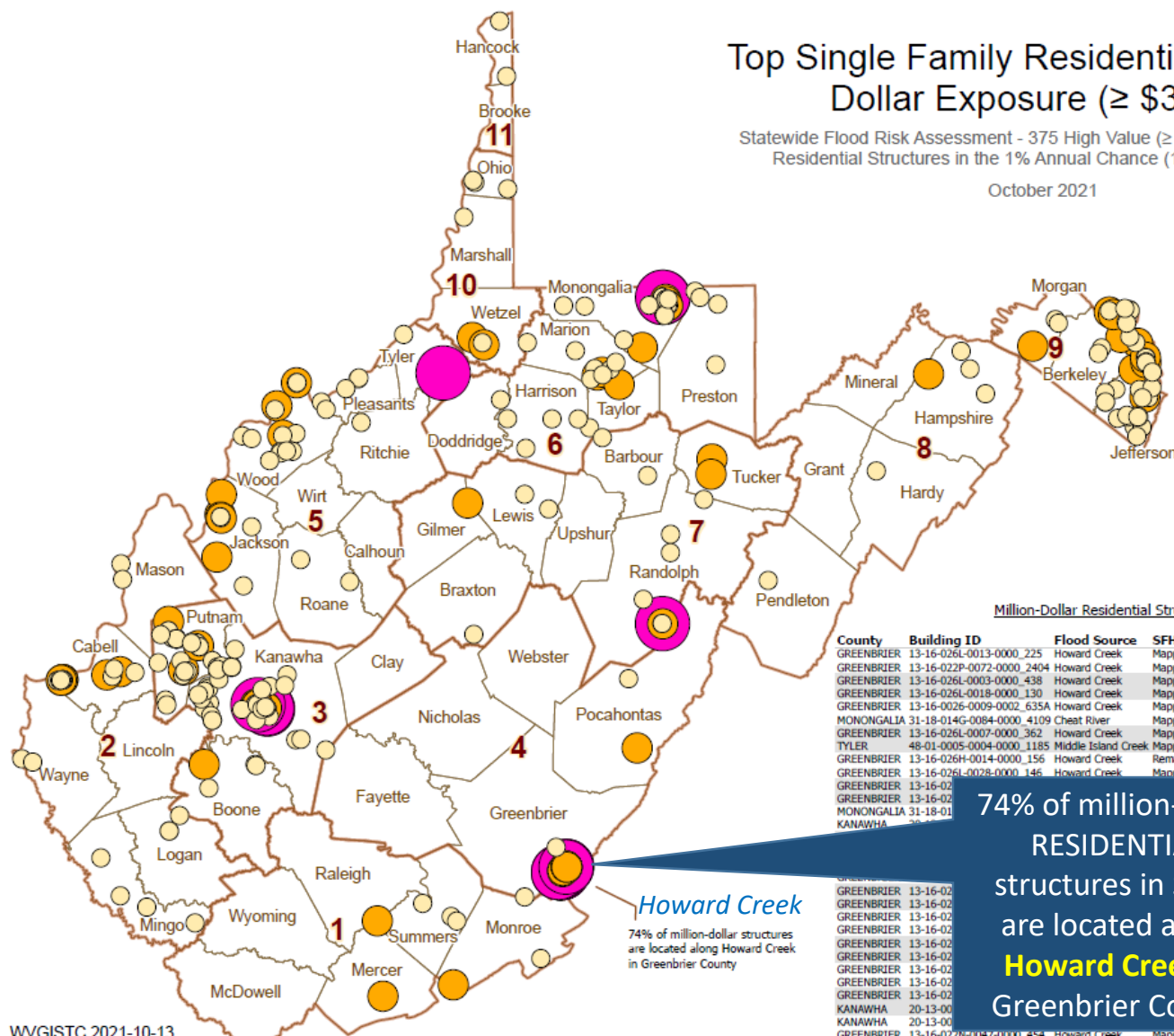
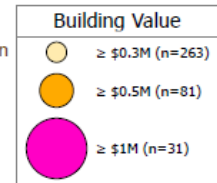
[Building Dollar Exposure Report:](#)
Single Family Dwellings

Residential: Top Single-Family \$ Exposure

Top Single Family Residential Structure Dollar Exposure (≥ \$300K)

Statewide Flood Risk Assessment - 375 High Value (≥ \$300K) Single Family Residential Structures in the 1% Annual Chance (100-yr) Floodplain

October 2021



Million-Dollar Residential Structures

County	Building ID	Flood Source	SFHA Status	Value	Loss %	Loss \$
GREENBRIER	13-16-026L-0013-0000_225	Howard Creek	Mapped In	\$4.7M	0.0%	\$0
GREENBRIER	13-16-022P-0072-0000_2404	Howard Creek	Mapped Out	\$3.0M	0.0%	\$0
GREENBRIER	13-16-026L-0003-0000_438	Howard Creek	Mapped Out	\$1.8M	0.0%	\$0
GREENBRIER	13-16-026L-0018-0000_130	Howard Creek	Mapped Out	\$1.8M	0.0%	\$0
GREENBRIER	13-16-0026-0009-0002_635A	Howard Creek	Mapped In	\$1.8M	9.0%	\$163K
MONONGALIA	31-18-014G-0084-0000_4109	Cheat River	Mapped Out	\$1.7M	0.0%	\$0
GREENBRIER	13-16-026L-0007-0000_362	Howard Creek	Mapped Out	\$1.6M	0.0%	\$0
TYLER	48-01-0005-0004-0000_1185	Middle Island Creek	Mapped Out	\$1.6M	0.0%	\$0
GREENBRIER	13-16-026H-0014-0000_156	Howard Creek	Remains Same	\$1.5M	0.0%	\$0
GREENBRIER	13-16-026L-0028-0000_146	Howard Creek	Mapped Out	\$1.4M	0.0%	\$0
GREENBRIER	13-16-02			\$0	0.0%	\$0
GREENBRIER	13-16-02			\$0	0.0%	\$0
MONONGALIA	31-18-01			\$0	0.0%	\$0
KANAWHA				\$2.4M	42.4%	\$427K
GREENBRIER	13-16-02			\$0	0.0%	\$0
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GREENBRIER	13-16-02			\$0	0.0%	\$0
KANAWHA	20-13-00			\$0	0.0%	\$0
KANAWHA	20-13-00			\$0	0.0%	\$0
GREENBRIER	13-16-022N-0047-0000_454	Howard Creek	Mapped In	\$1.0M	0.0%	\$0
KANAWHA	20-13-0002-0027-0000_100	Kanawha River	Remains Same	\$1.0M	0.9%	\$9K

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Residential: Mobile Home %

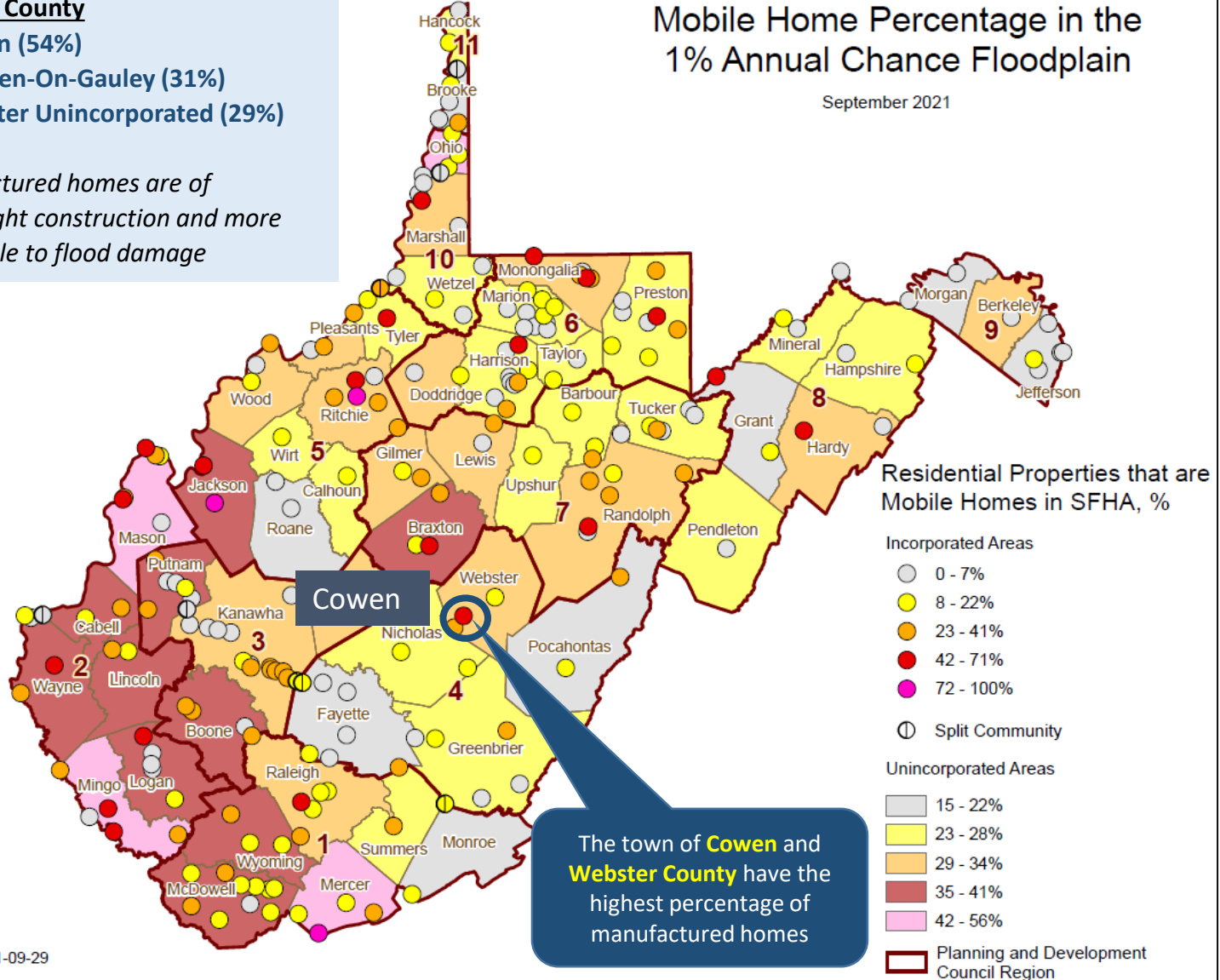
Webster County

- Cowen (54%)
- Camden-On-Gauley (31%)
- Webster Unincorporated (29%)

Manufactured homes are of lightweight construction and more vulnerable to flood damage

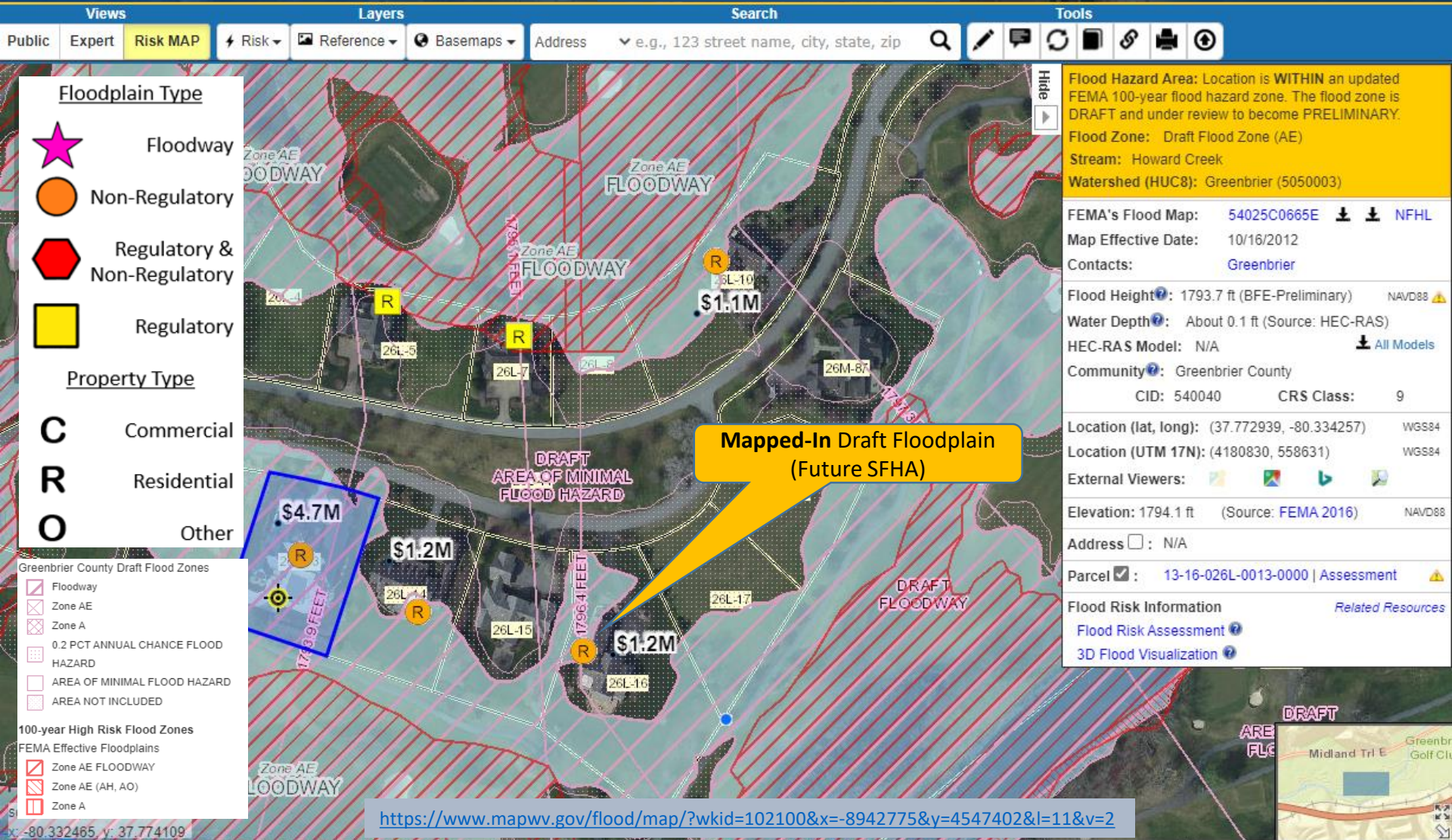
Mobile Home Percentage in the 1% Annual Chance Floodplain

September 2021



Residential: High Building \$ Exposure

Four Homes along *Howard Creek* with Total Building Value of **\$8.2 million** mapped into new *Draft Floodplain*. Building status changed when newer *Preliminary Floodplain* published in 2021.



R4 Risk Assessment

**SIGNIFICANT STRUCTURES OF
IMPORTANCE**

What critical facilities are at risk?

Essential Facilities

COMMUNITY IDENTIFICATION			ESSENTIAL FACILITIES						
CID	Community Name	County	Police Station	Fire Station	911 Center	School	Hospital	Nursing Home	TOTAL
540027	Ansted	FAYETTE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
540026	Fayette County*	FAYETTE	0	3	0	2	0	0	5
540294	Gauley Bridge	FAYETTE	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
540028	Meadow Bridge	FAYETTE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
540029	Montgomery**	FAYETTE	1	0	0	0	1	1	3
540280	Mount Hope	FAYETTE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
540031	Oak Hill	FAYETTE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
540032	Pax	FAYETTE	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
540033	Smithers**	FAYETTE	2	1	0	2	0	0	5
SUM	Ranked 8th in State	FAYETTE	4	6	0	4	1	1	16
540041	Alderson**	GREENBRIER	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
540243	Falling Springs	GREENBRIER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
540040	Greenbrier County*	GREENBRIER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
540228	Rainelle	GREENBRIER	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
540043	Ronceverte	GREENBRIER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
540044	Rupert	GREENBRIER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
540045	White Sulphur Springs	GREENBRIER	1	0	0	1	0	0	2
SUM		GREENBRIER	1	1	0	2	0	0	4
540146	Nicholas County*	NICHOLAS	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
540147	Richwood	NICHOLAS	2	1	0	0	0	0	3
540148	Summersville	NICHOLAS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUM		NICHOLAS	2	2	0	0	0	0	4
540158	Durbin	POCAHONTAS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
540159	Marlinton (Ranked 7th for all municipalities in State)	POCAHONTAS	2	1	0	1	0	1	5
540283	Pocahontas County*	POCAHONTAS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUM		POCAHONTAS	2	1	0	1	0	1	5
540204	Addison (Berkeley Springs)	WEBSTER	0	1	1	1	0	0	3
540205	Camden-On-Gauley	WEBSTER	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
540206	Cowen	WEBSTER	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
540203	Webster County*	WEBSTER	0	2	0	1	0	0	3
SUM		WEBSTER	1	3	1	3	0	0	8

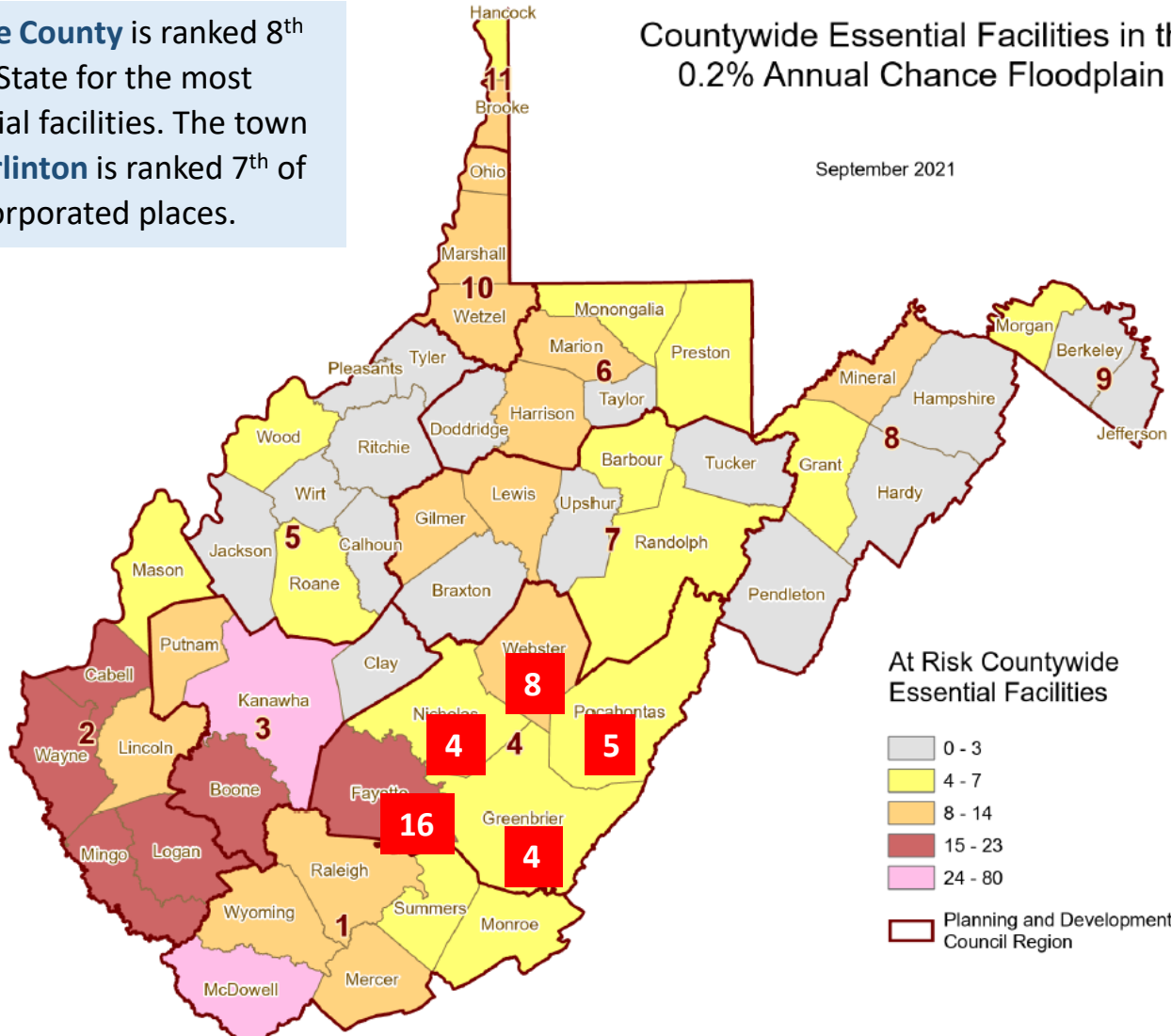
37 essential facilities

Essential Facilities 0.2% Floodplain

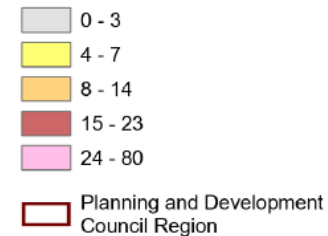
Fayette County is ranked 8th in the State for the most essential facilities. The town of **Marlinton** is ranked 7th of all incorporated places.

Countywide Essential Facilities in the 0.2% Annual Chance Floodplain

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At Risk Countywide Essential Facilities



Essential Facilities



Police Station



Fire Station



E-911 Dispatch



School



Hospital



Nursing Home

Community Name	County	Facility Name	Facility Type	Flood Tool Link	Flood Depth	Building Damage Percent
Alderson**	GREENBRIER	Alderson Elementary School	School	FT	3.5	8.0
Marlinton	POCAHONTAS	Marlinton Police Department	Police Station	FT	2.2	7.6
Marlinton	POCAHONTAS	Marlinton Volunteer Fire Department	Fire Station	FT	2.2	7.7
Fayette County*	FAYETTE	Loup Creek Volunteer Fire Department - Robson	Fire Station	FT	1.1	0.9

* Unincorporated Area

** Split Community

Community Engagement and Verification: There are 25 facilities in the high risk *effective* and *advisory* 1%-annual-chance (100-yr) flood level and 12 facilities in the moderate risk 0.2%-annual-chance (500-yr) flood level. No essential facilities exist in the Regulatory Floodway.

Review the accuracy and completeness of all *active essential facilities*. Report any facilities that are missing. Verify the facilities and location using the [CL Report / Tables](#), [BL Tables](#), and RiskMAP View of the [WV Flood Tool](#).

More Essential Facilities

Building-
Level
Report

*Degree of
Risk?*

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Alderson**	GREENBRIER	Alderson Elementary School	School	FT	3.5	8.0
Marlinton	POCAHONTAS	Marlinton Police Department	Police Station	FT	2.2	7.6
Marlinton	POCAHONTAS	Marlinton Volunteer Fire Department	Fire Station	FT	2.2	7.7
Fayette County*	FAYETTE	Loup Creek Volunteer Fire Department - Robson	Fire Station	FT	1.1	0.9
Webster County*	WEBSTER	Erbacon Volunteer Fire Department	Fire Station	FT	1.0	0.0
Marlinton	POCAHONTAS	Pocahontas County 911 Center	Police Station	FT	1.0	0.0
Marlinton	POCAHONTAS	Marlinton Elementary School	School	FT	0.8	0.0
Fayette County*	FAYETTE	Armstrong Creek Volunteer Fire Department	Fire Station	FT	0.8	0.0
Fayette County*	FAYETTE	Covenant Promise Christian Academy	School	FT	0.5	0.0
Webster County*	WEBSTER	Hacker Valley Elementary School	School	FT	0.4	0.0
White Sulphur Springs	GREENBRIER	White Sulphur Springs Police Department	Police Station	FT	0.2	0.0
Webster County*	WEBSTER	Hacker Valley Volunteer Fire Department	Fire Station	FT	0.1	0.0
Addison	WEBSTER	Webster County Office of Emergency Services/ E-911	911 Center	FT	0.1	0.0
Richwood	NICHOLAS	Richwood Police Department	Police Station	FT	0.1	0.0
Rainelle	GREENBRIER	Rainelle Volunteer Fire Department	Fire Station	FT	0.1	0.0
Pax	FAYETTE	Pax Volunteer Fire Department	Fire Station	FT	0.1	0.0

* Unincorporated Community

** Split Community

Essential Facilities



Police Station



Fire Station



E-911 Dispatch



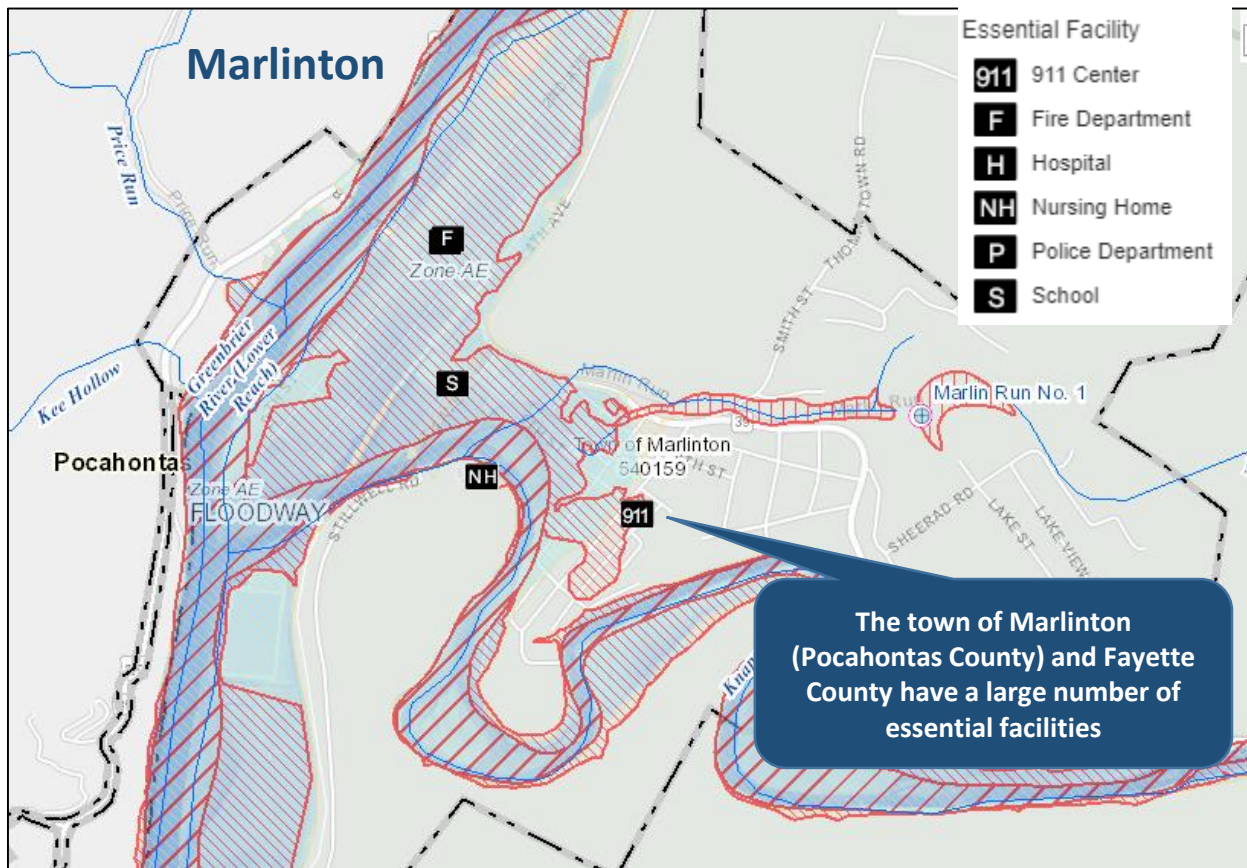
School



Hospital



Nursing Home



Risk Assessment

58% or 15 of the 26 flood-prone communities in **Region 4** have essential facilities vulnerable to flooding. The county with the most essential facilities is **Fayette County** (ranked 8th for all counties), while the incorporated town with the highest number of facilities is **Marlinton** (ranked 7th for all municipalities in State) in Pocahontas County. Hospitals and nursing homes with immobile patients or residents are particularly vulnerable to a flood disaster. Small towns situated mostly in the floodplain are more challenged than unincorporated areas or larger cities to identify suitable sites that provide a high level of protection from flooding.

Community Assets



Religious
Organization



Educational
Building



Emergency Medical
Services



Government
Building



Utility



National Register
Historical Structure

Non-Historical Community Assets: **Fayette County** has the largest number of inventoried community resources (n=53) and ranked 12th in the State of which the majority are *religious* buildings. **Fayette Unincorporated** is ranked 10th of all unincorporated areas. The town of **Marlinton** is ranked 8th of all incorporated areas in the State with the most community assets.

Historical Community Assets: **Greenbrier County** is ranked 7th in the State as having the most historical buildings (n=56) in the high-risk floodplain of which the majority are in the city of **Ronceverte** (ranked 14th of all incorporated areas). The split community of **Alderson** and the city of **Mount Hope** also have significant numbers of historical buildings in the high-risk floodplain (18 and 16 respectively).

Mitigation: A designated historic structure can obtain the benefit of subsidized flood insurance through the NFIP even if it has been substantially improved or substantially damaged so long as the building maintains its historic designation.

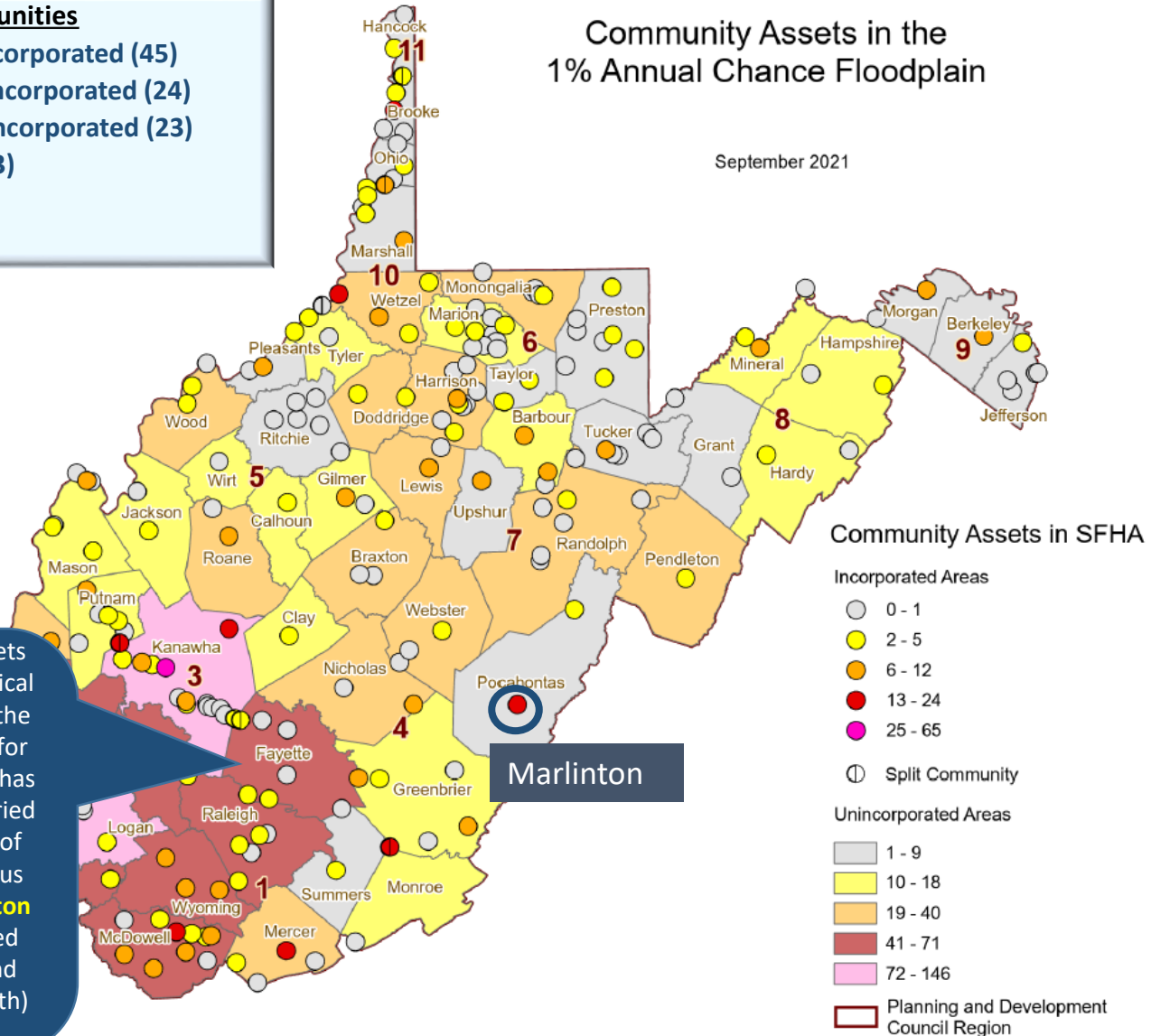
Community Assets (Non-Historical)

Region 4 Communities

- Fayette Unincorporated (45)
- Webster Unincorporated (24)
- Nicholas Unincorporated (23)
- Marlinton (13)
- Alderson (8)
- Richwood (8)

Community Assets in the 1% Annual Chance Floodplain

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Community Assets



Religious Organization



Educational Building



Emergency Medical Services



Government Building



Utility

Community Name	County	Historical Place	Facility Type	Flood Tool Link	Flood Depth	Building Damage Percent
Ronceverte	GREENBRIER	Ronceverte Water Treatment Plant	Utilities	FT	9.6	21%
Fayette County*	FAYETTE	United States Postal Service Office	Government	FT	7.0	15%
Webster County*	WEBSTER	United States Postal Service	Government	FT	5.5	7%
Webster County*	WEBSTER	Craigsville Public Service District	Utilities	FT	5.1	29%
Fayette County*	FAYETTE	New River Gorge Visitor Contact Center	Government	FT	4.8	14%

* Unincorporated Area

** Split Community

Community Engagement and Verification: A total of 170 community assets (non-historical) and 102 historical buildings were inventoried in the 1%-annual-chance floodplain for the **Region 4**

Review the accuracy and completeness of all *active community assets*. Report any structures that are missing. Verify the buildings and location using the [CL Report / Tables](#), [BL Tables](#), and Risk MAP View of the [WV Flood Tool](#). Review and identify mitigation strategies for the community assets vulnerable to flooding.

Community Assets



Religious Organization



Educational Building



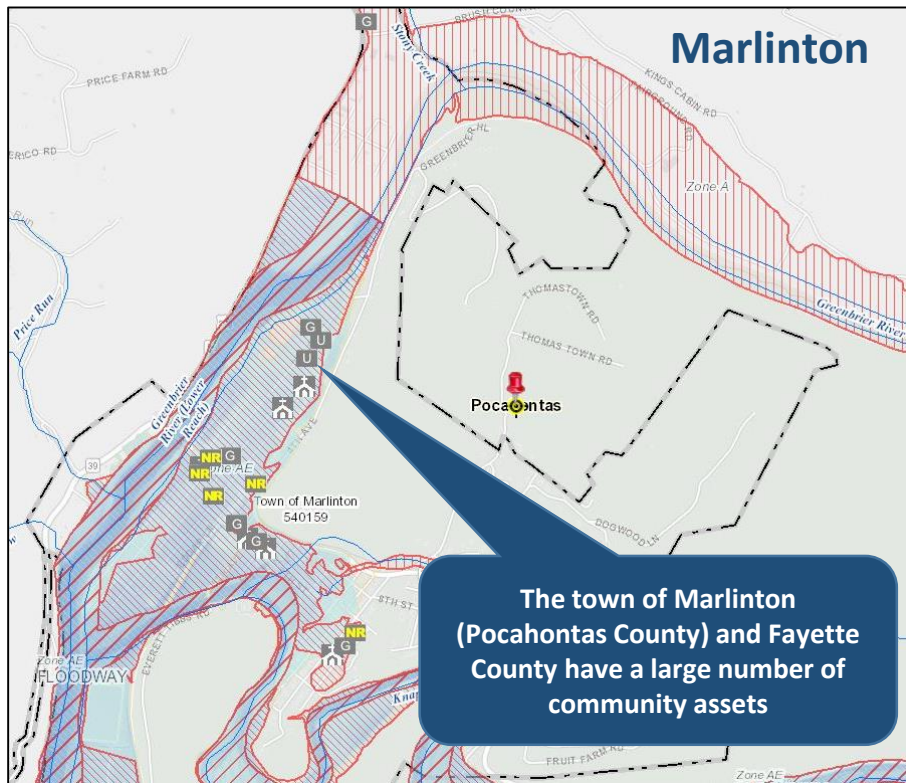
Emergency Medical Services



Government Building



Utility



Risk Assessment

Community Assets: A total of 170 community assets (non-historical) were inventoried in the 1%-annual-chance floodplain for the **Region 4** Planning and Development Council. **Fayette County** has the largest number of inventoried community resources (n=53) of which the majority are *religious* buildings. The town of **Marlinton** (ranked 3rd of all incorporated areas) has six *government* and two *utility* buildings (ranked 5th) located in the floodplain.

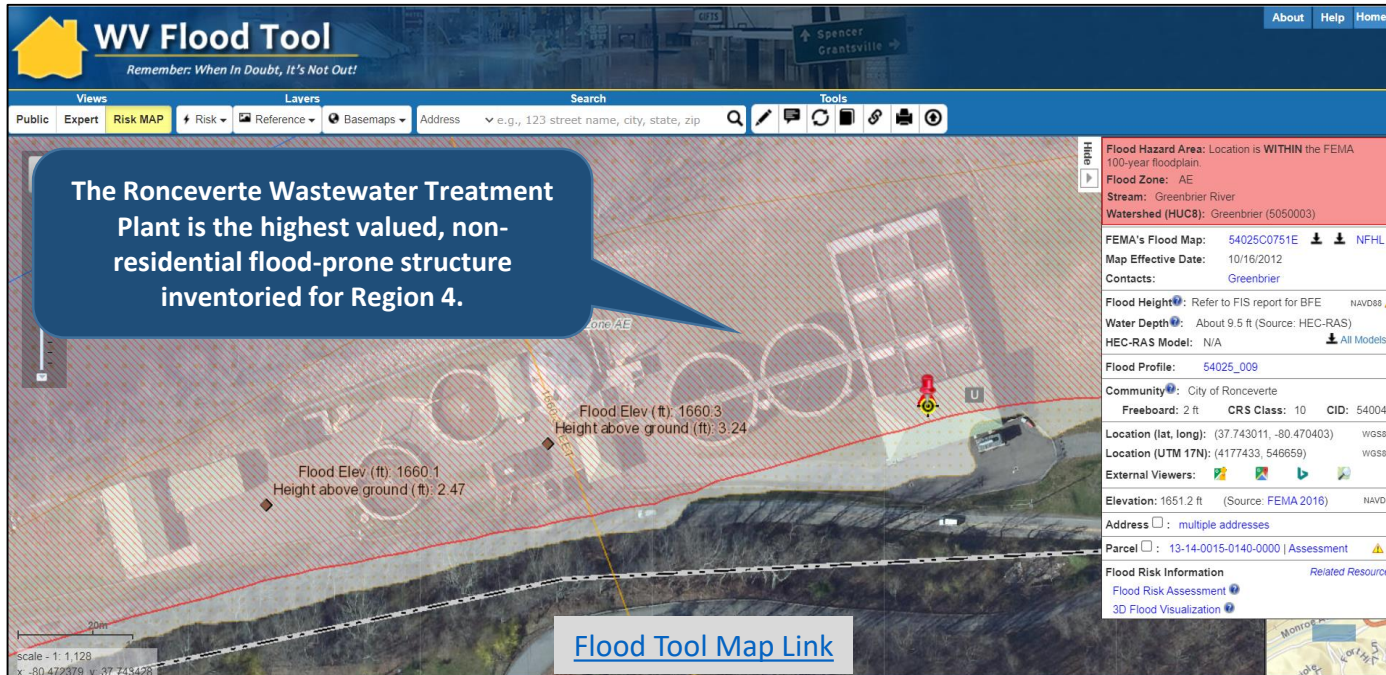
[R4 Community Assets Report](#)

WV Flood Tool Map Link:

<https://www.mapwv.gov/flood/map/?wkid=102100&x=-8914626&y=4611336&l=8&v=2>

Highly Valued (\$) Utility

\$24M Ronceverte Wastewater Treatment Plant (on the State's Top 100 List)



Mitigation: Examples of mitigation measures for *utilities* include:

- Emergency response plan
- Barriers around key assets
- Elevated electrical equipment
- Emergency generators
- Bolted down chemical tanks

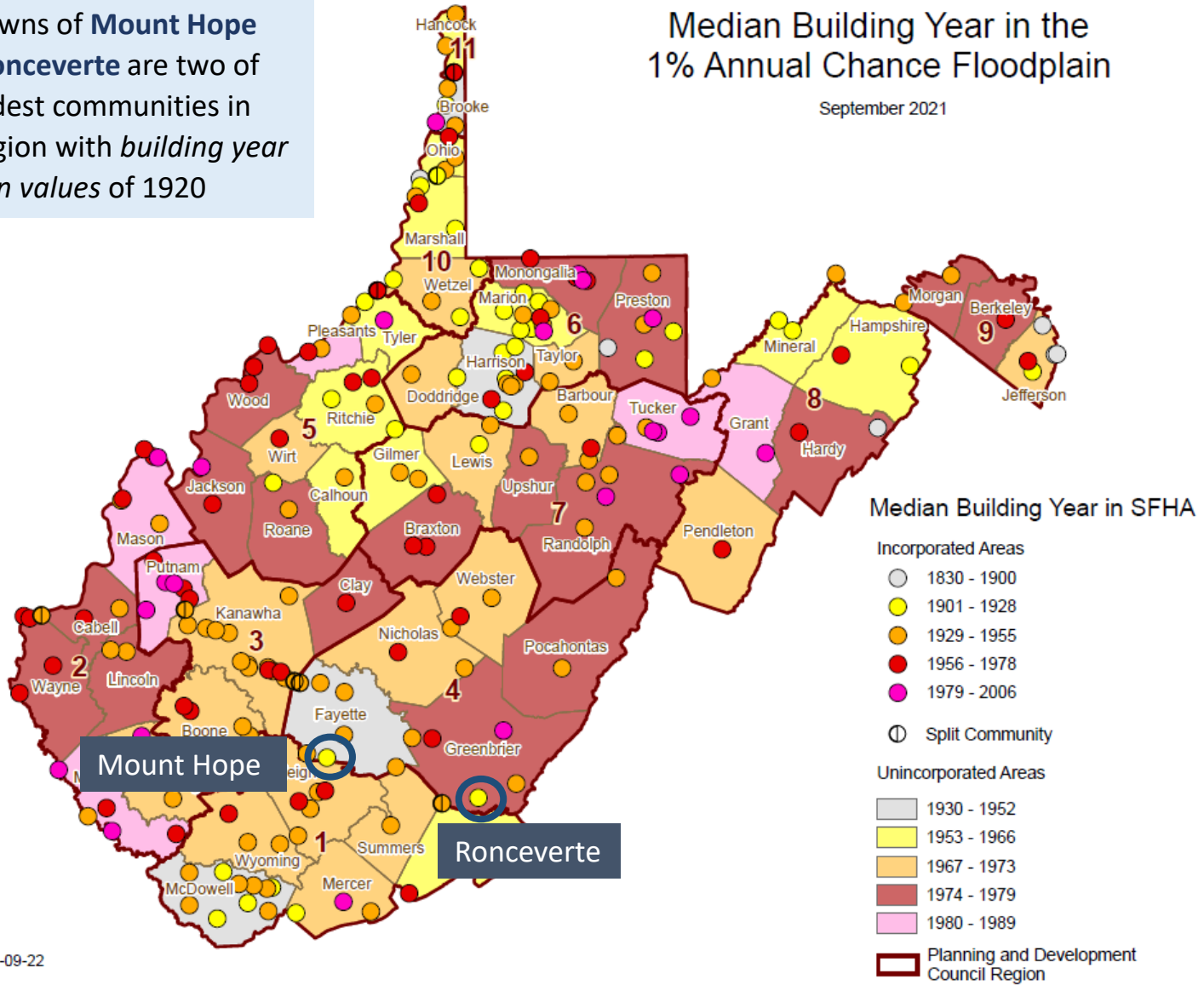
Risk Assessment: In 2018, the new **Ronceverte's wastewater treatment plant** was constructed at a cost of \$24 million. All structures of the wastewater treatment plant are in the effective high-risk floodplains at a 1% (100-year) estimated flood inundation depth of 9.5 feet. At the treatment plant location, the 0.2% (500-year) estimated flood inundation depth is about two feet higher than that of the 1% floodplain. The USGS high water marks show the maximum inundation of 3.24 feet above the ground at the facility site for the 2016 flood event. The structures are also located in a preliminary floodplain at a 1% (100-year) estimated inundation depth of 6.5 feet. The preliminary floodplain delineated based on the new flood study is under review to become effective.

Historical Structures (Building Year)

The towns of **Mount Hope** and **Ronceverte** are two of the oldest communities in the region with *building year median values* of 1920

Median Building Year in the 1% Annual Chance Floodplain

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Historical Community Assets

Historical Buildings (Region 4)

Community Name	County	Facility Name	Facility Type	Flood Tool Link	Flood Depth	Building Damage Percent
Mount Hope	FAYETTE	Mount Hope Historic District	National Register	FT	6.8	46%
Fayette County*	FAYETTE	Bank of Glen Jean	National Register	FT	4.8	14%
Alderson**	GREENBRIER	Alderson Historic District	National Register	FT	4.8	14%
Ronceverte	GREENBRIER	Ronceverte Historic District	National Register	FT	4.4	43%
Mount Hope	FAYETTE	Mount Hope Historic District	National Register	FT	4.3	13%
Alderson**	GREENBRIER	Alderson Historic District	National Register	FT	4.2	27%

Source Data: <https://data.wvgis.wvu.edu/pub/RA/State/BL/CommunityAsset/>

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** Split Community

Risk Assessment: Buildings identified within National Register Areas or registered historic districts are older than 1930. **Greenbrier County** is ranked 7th in the State as having the most historical buildings (n=56) in the high-risk floodplain of which the majority are located in the city of **Ronceverte** (ranked 14th of all incorporated areas). The split community of **Alderson** and the city of **Mount Hope** also have significant numbers of historical buildings in the high-risk floodplain (18 and 16 rank respectively).



National Register
Historical Structure

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National Register Areas

National Register Areas (Region 4)

Community Name	County	Historic Name	# Bldg. Points in NR Area (estimate)	Flood Tool Link
Alderson**	GREENBRIER	Alderson Historic District	45	FT
Ronceverte	GREENBRIER	Ronceverte Historic District	35	FT
Mount Hope	FAYETTE	Mount Hope Historic District	18	FT
Richwood	NICHOLAS	Downtown Richwood Historic District	10	FT

Risk Assessment: For communities with the most National Register Areas in the State that intersect the 1% floodplain, **Greenbrier County** (12 NR Areas) is ranked 4th and **Fayette County** (7 NR Areas) ranked 7th



Alderson Historic District



Ronceverte Historic District

Risk Assessment

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & DATA VERIFICATION

What mitigation actions can be identified

Data Verification

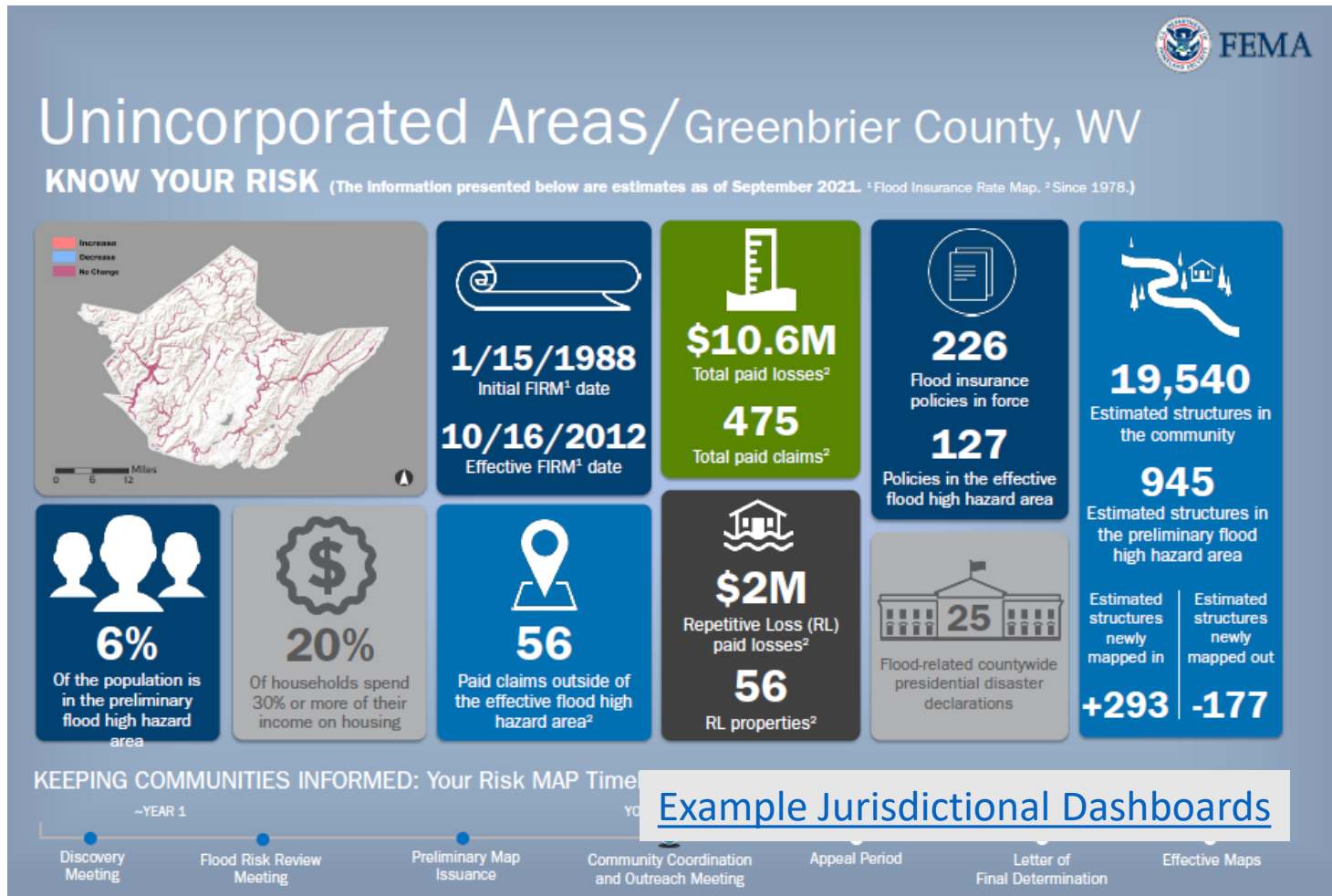
Use **Building-Level (BL) Tables** to identify **Most Vulnerable Structures**

- [Statewide BLRA \(GIS\)](#)
- [BLRA County Tables](#) organized by region
- [BLRA Data Extract Tables](#): High Building Value, High Damage Loss, High Minus Ratings
- [BLRA Statewide Top Lists](#): Building Value, Flood Depth, Damage Loss \$, Damage Loss %, Minus Rated, Mitigated Structures



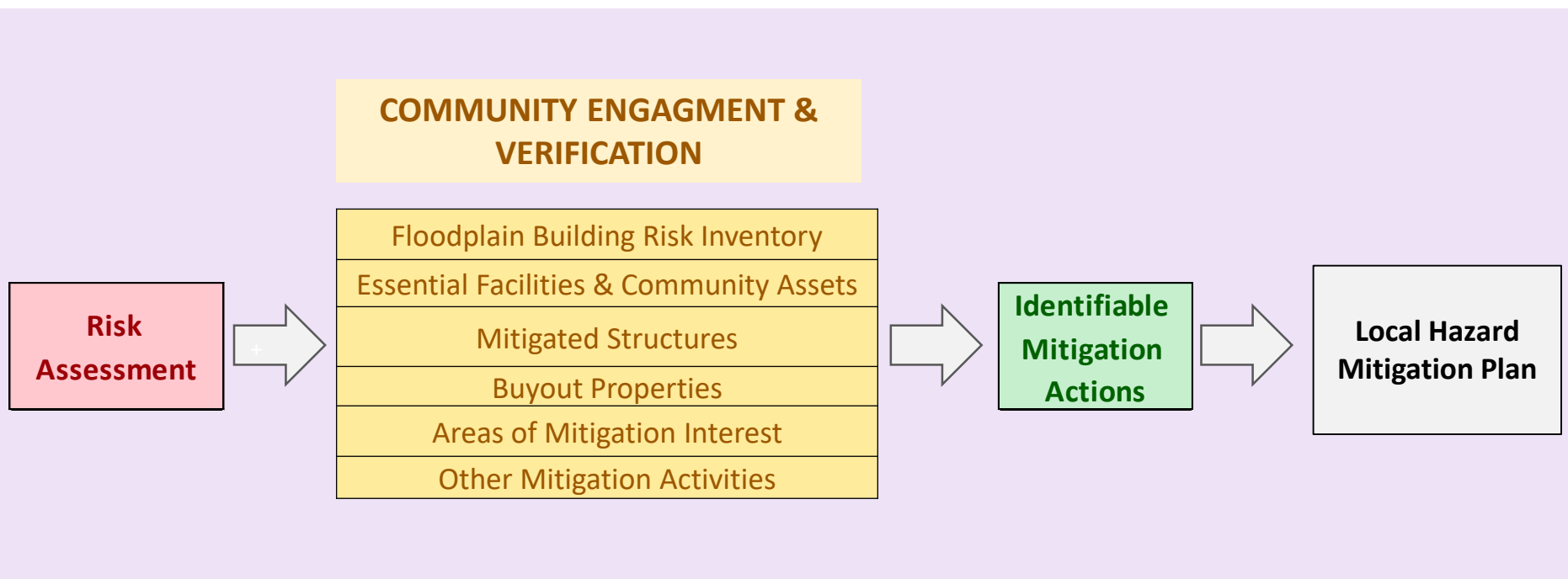
Community Level Risk Profiles

Use **Community-Level (CL) Tables**
to supplement FEMA's Jurisdictional Flood Risk Dashboards



Refer to the [Risk Matrices](#) EXPOSURE and DAMAGE LOSS to develop community risk profiles

Local Community Engagement



Risk Assessment Data for Community Engagement, Verification, and Identifiable Mitigation Actions incorporated into Local Hazard Plans

Primary Objective: Incorporating Mitigation Actions in Local Hazard Mitigation Planning