

## What is the "Design Flood Elevation" (DFE)?

 The DFE will either be the same elevation as the Base Flood Elevation or higher if the community has chosen to regulate development in an area that exceeds the 1% annual chance floodplain (e.g., the 500-year floodplain).

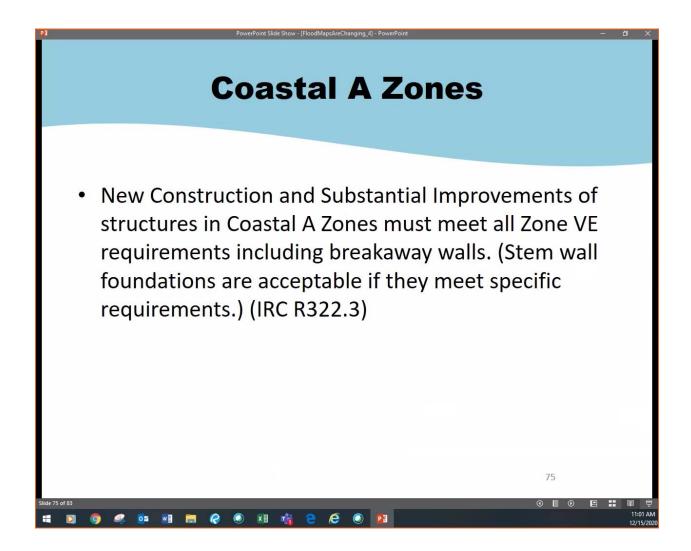


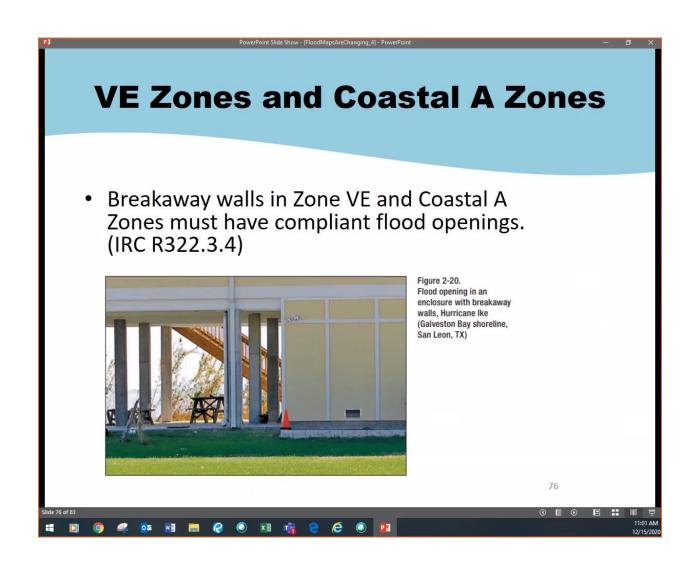
- For all New Construction and Substantial Improvements of <u>non-residential structures</u>, the structure must be elevated or protected at least to the BFE plus:
  - 1 foot for Flood Design Classes 1, 2, and 3
  - 2 feet or the 500-year flood elevation, whichever is higher for Flood Design Class 4 (Essential Facilities)

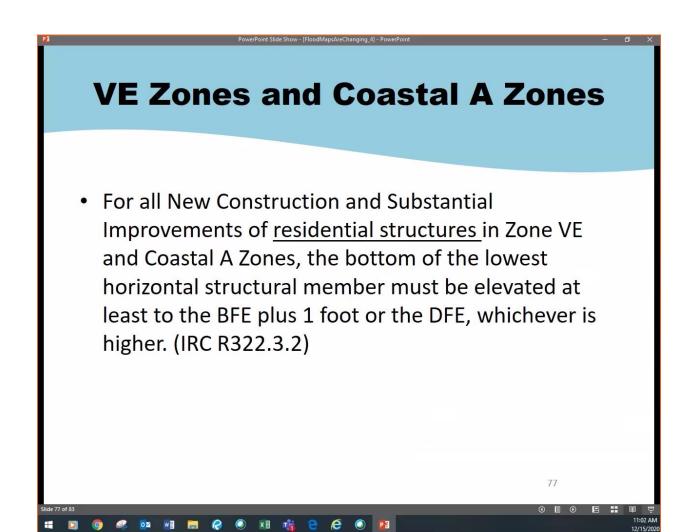
or to the DFE, whichever is higher. (IBC 1612.4; ASCE 24-14)

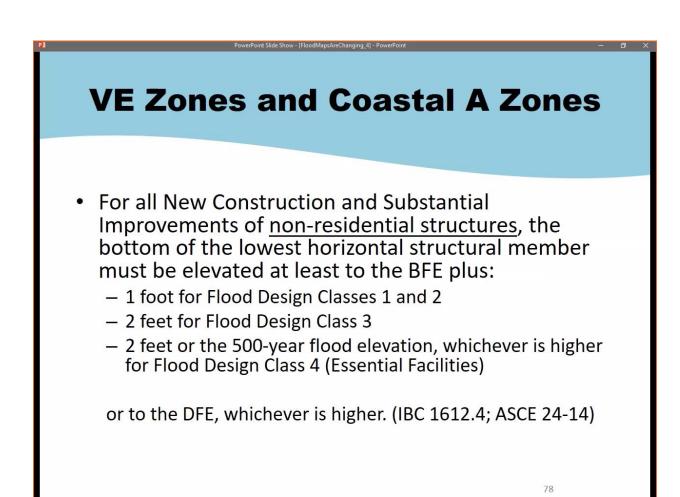


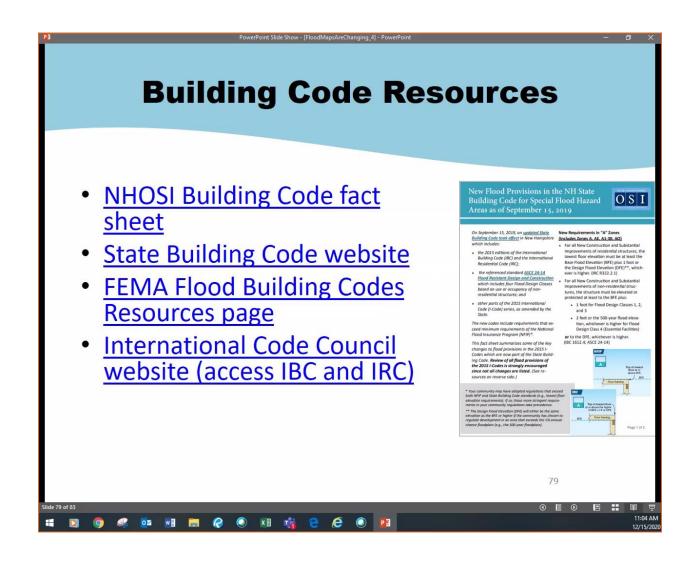


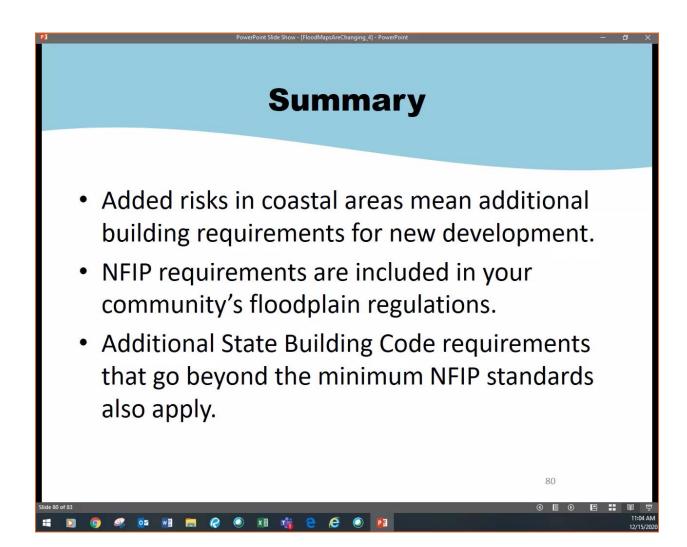


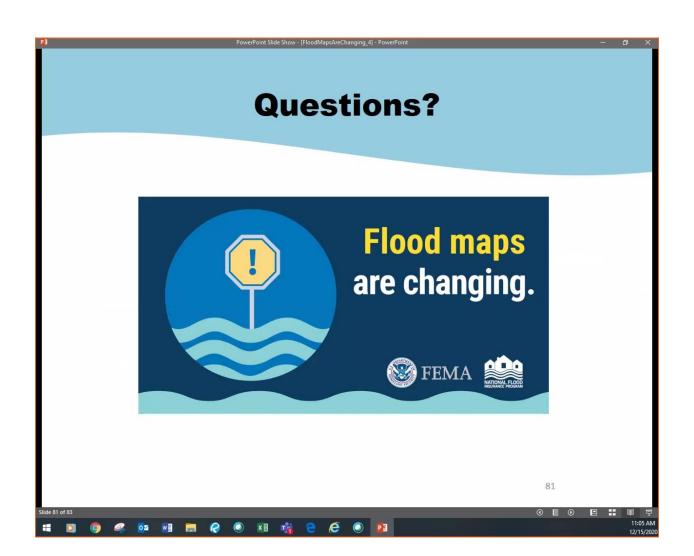


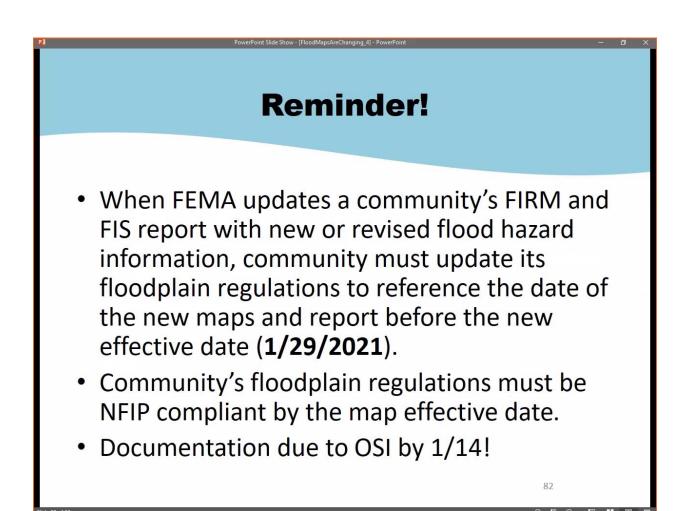












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