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Atchison Planning Update To City Flood Plain Maps

(KAIR)--In an effort to keep residents up to date with the latest information regarding flood plains, Atchison city officials are preparing to update their flood plain maps in accordance with updates provided by the federal government.

City Community Development Director Stefanie Leif says that according to the rules set forth by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the city has a until September to adopt the new maps, but everything should be done by next month.

Leif says that when she approached City Commissioners last year to let them know these new maps would be coming along, they showed some interest in presenting an open house where staff from the state Department of Water Resources would come in and present the new maps on computers to anyone who may be effected by them. She says this is important because the maps will be presented in a new, computerized format and people need to be familiar with the change.

Earlier this week, Atchison County Commissioners adopted the statewide resolution that reflects the updated flood plain maps put out by the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

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