

City of Palm Bay releases its Floodplain Management Report, key part of CRS that lowers flood insurance rates for residents

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PALM BAY (April 27, 2021) — The City of Palm Bay recently released the 2021 Floodplain Management Plan Progress Report. The report is an integral part of the Community Rating System (CRS) that lowers flood insurance rates for local residents by 15 percent.

A copy of the plan is made available to the public through the City's website or can be picked up at the Building Department, 190 Malabar Road SW, Suite 105.

The Floodplain Management Plan Progress Report summary includes the status of projects that help reduce flooding hazards within the geographic boundaries of Palm Bay.

The Local Mitigation Strategy (LMS) combined with the Public Works Standard Operating Procedures for Stormwater and Floodplain Management and the CRS community outreach activities are used to provide the optimum flood protection for the citizens of Palm Bay.

The report is submitted to the Insurance Service Office for recertification and includes information regarding the recent steps taken by the City of Palm Bay to decrease citizen's vulnerability to future economic and environmental costs caused by natural disasters. The strategy outlines

ways in which the City develops, monitors, and maintains a local plan for hazard mitigation and post-disaster redevelopment. It highlights recent projects that have been completed to meet those goals including new road paving and drainage system upgrades, culvert replacements, and overall improvements to the City's infrastructure specifically relating to flood prevention.

The CRS promotes activities sponsored by the National Flood Insurance Program.

These activities help to give communities incentive to promote flood protection public works projects and community awareness to local flood hazards. This is Palm Bay's fourth year as a CRS Class 7 community, giving residents a 15 percent reduction in their flood-insurance premiums.

The City will continue to implement the recommendations and ongoing objectives detailed in the countywide LMS, and update citizens on the status of the newly revised Jan. 29, 2021, Coastal Flood Insurance Rate Maps.

Additionally, the City will continue to attend Melbourne Tillman Water Control District meetings and maintain an active role in the St. John's River Water Management District, as well as the Florida Stormwater Association. Community outreach activities will continue along with the release of public information on matters relating to flood protection.

Florida structural shell contractor CSCI continues to expand firm's capacity across state in 2021 for construction services

WEST PALM BEACH (April 29, 2021) — CSCI, a structural shell contractor, continues to grow its significant statewide footprint with increased capacity across its residential, commercial and industrial construction services.

CSCI has grown to achieve tremendous coverage across the state, and while many construction providers have been limited by supply-chain and labor issues, CSCI's expansion continues with an exceptional team in place in all key markets.

"The last 12 months have presented challenges for all contractors, with material supply being the biggest issue lately," said Daniel Goldburg, CSCI president. "CSCI's 25-plus year history with most of our key vendors, along with our industry-leading sku-level material needs forecasting, has enabled us to ensure we have the product we need to continue to perform for our customers."

He added, "While supply is short and demand is high for our services and our suppliers' products, CSCI and its vendors have maintained a commitment to adjust pricing along with raw material escalation, but not to expand profit margins. We seek to move our prices up or down with the market, continue to build with quality,

speed, and safety, and attempt to achieve profit margins in line with those before COVID. While it has been a trying 12 months, our team is functioning as well as ever, with exceptional morale and high employee retention."

One hallmark of CSCI's success has been the accessibility and engagement of the company's senior management, he said. Clients and vendors work directly with Goldburg, or one of the company's vice presidents or directors, and receive personal service. Goldburg has pushed the business to utilize the latest cloud and mobile technologies, which benefit his company's construction management team.

CSCI provides concrete, masonry and framing services to large production home builders and high-end custom builders, as well as commercial and industrial general contractors. The company operates from Dade County to Brevard County on the southeast coast, from Collier County to Hernando County on the southwest coast, and Central Florida. Today, CSCI is completing roughly 5,000 residential home shells per year and employs 135 team members with over 2,000 subcontracted workers on its job sites daily. For more company information, visit www.csci.build.



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