

# Financial Institution Letter FIL-18-2016 March 10, 2016

## FLOOD INSURANCE VIDEOS UPDATED

**Summary:** As part of the FDIC's Community Banking Initiative, the FDIC is announcing the release of updated technical assistance videos on flood insurance. The new videos provide financial institution management, compliance officers, and staff with resources for better understanding of federal flood insurance laws, regulations, and compliance responsibilities. The updated videos include information about the changes to federal flood insurance compliance requirements brought about by the Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act, the Homeowner Flood Insurance Affordability Act, and the agency's final rules on flood insurance at Part 339 of Title 12 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

**Statement of Applicability to Institutions Under \$1 Billion in Total Assets:** This Financial Institution Letter (FIL) is applicable to all FDIC-supervised financial institutions.

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#### **Related Topics:**

Homeowner Flood Insurance Affordability Act of 2014

Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012

Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973

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## Highlights:

- The FDIC continues to emphasize to institutions the importance of managing compliance risk associated with making loans in areas having special flood hazards.
- To assist institutions with their compliance efforts, the FDIC is issuing
  updated technical assistance videos on flood insurance to provide
  useful information about the mandatory flood insurance purchase
  requirements. The videos reflect changes in federal flood insurance
  laws, including changes regarding escrowing of flood insurance
  premiums and fees, insuring detached structures, and force-placed
  insurance.
- The videos also address other key requirements of the federal flood insurance regulations, common flood insurance violations, frequently asked questions, and elements of an effective compliance management system.
- The flood insurance videos can be accessed at https://fdic.gov/regulations/resources/director/technical/flood.html.