

COMMUNITY FLOOD ASSISTANCE & RESILIENCE

CHRISSY BAILEY

February 3, 2022



BACKGROUND

- Scenario A pros and cons of the 'default' position being to provide financial assistance for feasible property owner-desired projects, even when inconsistent with informal or non-adopted local government plans or projects.
- Scenario B pros and cons of the 'default' position being <u>not to</u> provide financial assistance for property owner-desired projects that are inconsistent with, or would prolong or make more expensive, implementation of an informal or non-adopted local government plan or project.





LOCAL CODES

It is an underlying assumption that CFAR will not provide financial assistance for any project that does not comply with local codes (zoning, floodplain management, etc.).



FORMAL, LOCALLY ADOPTED PLANS

It is an underlying assumption that CFAR will defer to a local government's <u>adopted</u> plans or <u>funded</u> projects. CFAR will not provide financial assistance to property owners for projects that are inconsistent or conflict with formal, locally adopted plans.



SCENARIO A

Default: Property Owner Perspective





Image courtesy of Shutterstock

PROS	CONS
 Risk and/or extent of damage from flooding are immediately reduced, while allowing him to maintain his investment. Burden on emergency responders may be immediately reduced. Safety of occupants is immediately increased upon retrofit. Property owner experiences concrete benefits from the CFAR program. 	 Financial assistance to elevate or retrofit could increase the cost for implementation of the Parks Director's long-term vision. Financial assistance to retrofit could increase the timeframe for implementing long-term vision.



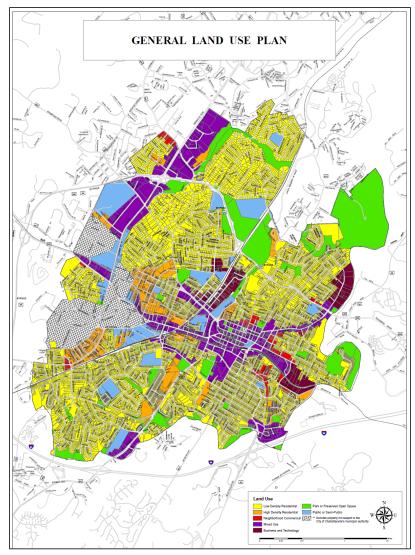


Image courtesy of Charlottesville Tomorrow

VS



Image courtesy of WorkPoint 365



Adobe Stock image

VS



Image courtesy of CollegeGrad





Photo courtesy of Trip Advisor



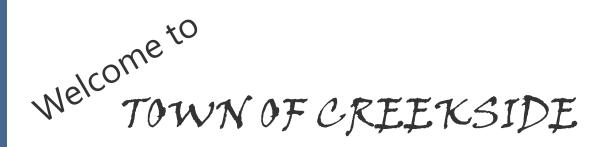
Image courtesy of Fetpak Inc.





SCENARIO B

Default: Local Government Perspective



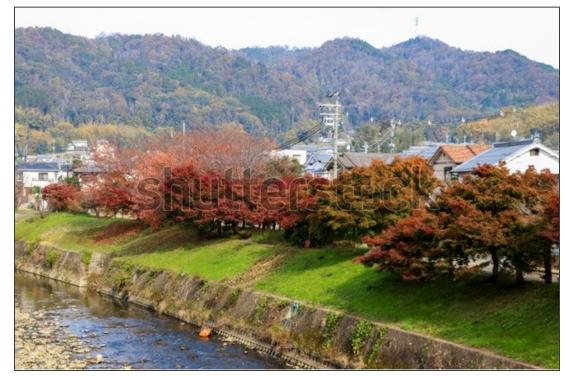


Image courtesy of Shutterstock

PROS	CONS
Structure that has not been retrofitted will not increase in value solely due to the retrofit. This may reduce likelihood that same property would cost the town significantly more in the future. OCB is supporting one of our local government partners in efforts to reduce flood damage.	 Structure and content damage from flooding is not immediately reduced. Safety of occupants is not immediately improved. Emergency response burdens after floods are not immediately reduced. Property owner may not see the
reduce noou damage.	Froperty owner may not see the

- Property owner may not see the benefit of the levee for years.
- CFAR program could appear insensitive and inflexible, and discourage voluntary participation.



VS



Image courtesy of East Cambridgeshire District Council



iStockphoto image





Creative Commons image



Image courtesy of Money magazine

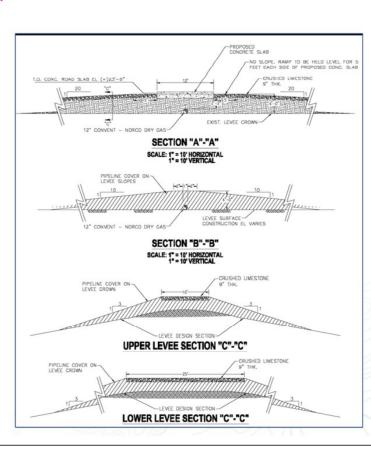


Image courtesy of Underground Construction Technology

VS



Image courtesy of PDH Star





Should CFAR's 'default' be the property owner's perspective, or the local government perspective?

DISCUSSION

