



Rainbow Valley Floodplain/Floodway Delineation Study

Project Notification

The Flood Control District of Maricopa County (District) is conducting a detailed Floodplain/Floodway Delineation Study along several washes in the Rainbow Valley area.

The study will use detailed topographic mapping and technical analyses to re-evaluate the extent of floodprone areas along the study washes. The results will be a re-delineation of the floodplain boundaries, and, for some washes, an upstream extension of the floodplain and/or the addition of a floodway. This detailed study will replace the results of portions of a previous delineation study which used approximate study methods.

You received this brochure because some portion of your property may be within or adjacent to the effective Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) 100-year floodplain, within or adjacent to the previous approximate delineation study (shown as Future FEMA Floodplain on the map in this brochure), or possibly within or adjacent to the proposed new floodplain/floodway resulting from this study.

Project Schedule

The study started in April 2012. A public meeting, to be conducted in the fall of 2012, will present the new floodplain/floodway delineation for the study washes. District staff and study team members will host the meeting to discuss the study and answer any questions.

When the study is completed following the public meeting, the final results will be submitted to FEMA for approval and adoption. FEMA uses information from the studies to update the Flood Insurance Rate Maps for the National Flood Insurance Program. Changes in floodplain boundaries can affect local building and federal flood insurance requirements.



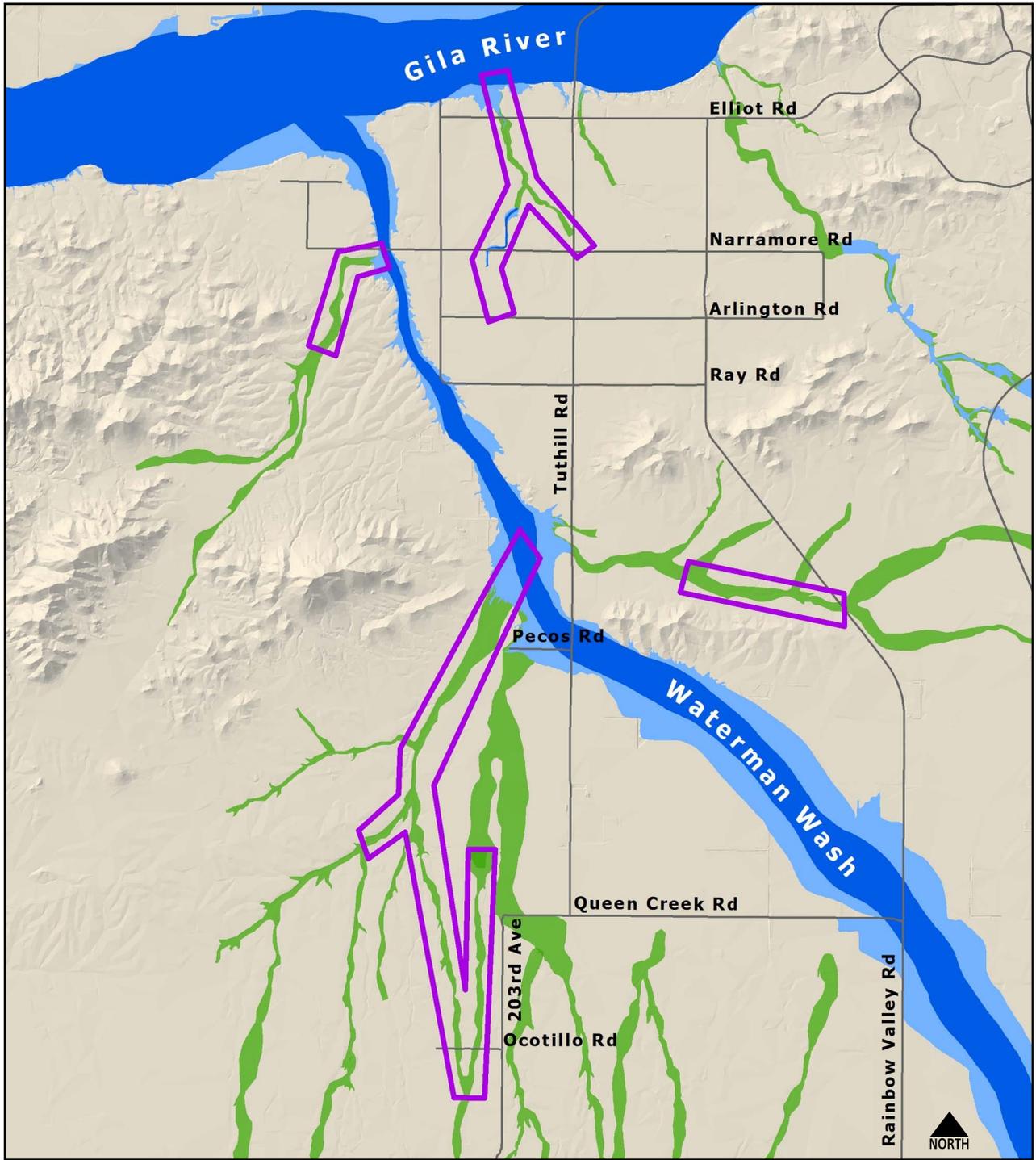
About Floodplain/Floodway Delineation Studies

The District conducts Floodplain/Floodway Delineation Studies throughout unincorporated Maricopa County and within other jurisdictions to determine the location of Special Flood Hazard Areas. These are areas subject to flood inundation by a 100-year storm (1-percent chance of occurring in any given year). The studies provide data for sound floodplain management so that future development will not negatively impact the movement of stormwater, reducing the risk of property damage from flooding.

More information can be found on the Rainbow Valley Floodplain/Floodway Delineation Study project page on the Flood Control District's Web site, www.fcd.maricopa.gov.

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Map not to scale.

Legend

-  Project Study Area
-  Effective FEMA Floodway
-  Effective FEMA 100-Year Floodplain
-  Future FEMA Floodplain