



**FEMA**  
Region 1

# Before You Begin Repairs



Because each community adopts their own flood hazard area regulations, you should **ALWAYS** ask your Local Zoning/Flood Hazard Area Administrator these questions **BEFORE** beginning any repairs to your property.

**1** Is your structure located in the “Designated Floodplain?”

**YES**

**NO**

See your Local Zoning Administrator to obtain the necessary permits in order to repair your structure.

**2** Did your property suffer “Substantial Damage” as determined by your local officials?

**YES**

**NO**

See your local Zoning Administrator to obtain the necessary permits in order to repair your structure.

**3** Does your structure meet the current building and flood hazard area regulations for your community?

**YES**

**NO**

Contact your local Zoning Administrator or visit a Disaster Recovery Center (during a disaster) to answer Mitigation questions before you rebuild.

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*Important Notice*

**FEMA is not a permitting Agency and does not give permission to rebuild or repair by your receipt of a Disaster Grant, Loan, or Flood Insurance Claim.**