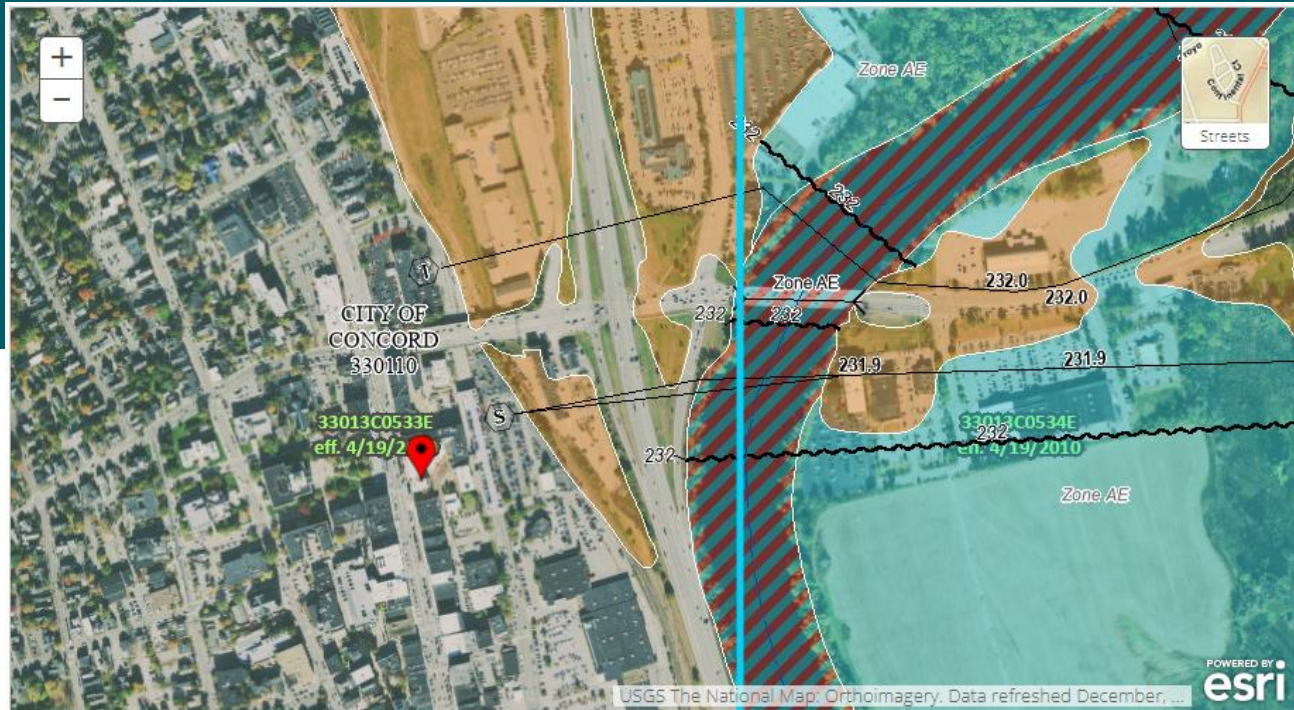


# Low risk doesn't mean no risk!

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## Flood maps don't account for all flooding factors.



FEMA Flood Map of Concord, NH

Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) are the official community maps that shows special flood hazard areas (SFHA) and the risk premium zones. The SFHA is composed of the floodway and the flood fringe and is subject to a 1% or greater chance of flooding in any given year. These areas are considered high-risk and include zones beginning with letters A or V.

The remaining areas outside of the SFHA are known as moderate- or low-risk. These are indicated on FIRM maps with zones letters B, C, and X. However, this is not to say that these areas are not subject to flooding. Other factors, such as heavy rainfall events, elevated groundwater, overflowing dams, and land development, are all examples of what can increase the possibility of flooding in the moderate- or low-risk area. View or learn more about floodplain maps on the [NH Floodplain Management Program's website](#).

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