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FEMA Digital Flood Map Products

- **FIRM Panel Image:** Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) are digital images of flood hazard maps. The images are digital pictures of entire flood map panels that can be viewed and printed from a computer. Most communities and counties have many map panels to cover the entire jurisdiction and an index map that shows the location of each map panel.
- **FIRM Worldfile:** A TFW or PGW file may accompany your flood hazard map. They are used to help view the flood maps in GIS applications.

FIRM Panel Images are TIF or PNG image files and have file names with a Community or County ID followed by a 4-digit panel number and letter suffix representing a version (e.g. 12345C0123F.tif). The FIRM worldfiles will have the same filenames but with a .tfw or .pgw extension.

FIRM Panel Images can be viewed using most freely available image viewer applications. You can also use the FIRMette-Desktop software available from the FEMA Flood Map Service Center (MSC) website at msc.fema.gov/portal/resources/firmettes. FIRM images can also be viewed in specialized GIS software where the worldfiles are used to make the images compatible with other GIS data. See the [MSC Products and Tools Overview page](#) for more information on available data and tools for using FEMA's flood risk data.

For more information on available digital products, visit FEMA's Map Service Center website at <https://msc.fema.gov> or call the FEMA Map Information eXchange (FMIX) at 877-336-2627.