

**Autauga County Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance**  
**MASTER PLAN OF ENFORCEMENT**

**09/15/2015**

1. When the Autauga County Engineer's Office is notified of a violation of the Flood Prevention Ordinance the County Engineer, or his designee, will attempt to contact the property owner by telephone or in person within a reasonable time period. If a resolution is reached and the property is brought into compliance within thirty (30) days, there will be no further action taken.
2. If there is not a resolution of the violation within thirty (30) days of the initial contact, a letter shall be sent to the property owner by certified mail notifying the property owner of the violation.
3. Upon receipt of the certified letter, the property owner shall have thirty (30) days to provide the Flood Plan Administrator with a plan to remedy the violation within ninety (90) days. This ninety (90) day period may be extended by the Autauga County Commission for an additional ninety (90) days upon notification of progress or good cause shown.
4. If there is no response or an acceptable plan for resolution of the violation provided within thirty (30) days of receipt of the certified letter, the Autauga County Commission may begin to assess fines on the property.
5. The fines shall be \$500.00 per day, continuing to accrue each day for the continuing violation. The total fine is not to exceed the tax assessed value of the property as provided by the Autauga County Revenue Commissioner's Office or an appraisal performed a licensed appraiser, whichever is greater.
6. After fines have been assessed, the Autauga County Commission may file suit against the property owner to collect fines and also to seek any legal remedy to require the property owner to come into compliance with the ordinance.
7. In addition to, or in lieu of, fines the Autauga County Commission may send a Section 1316 letter to the Federal Emergency Management Administration ("FEMA").
8. Fines and a Section 1316 letter shall not be exclusive of one another as a remedy for violations. Neither shall be exclusive of any other remedy available under local, state, or federal law.