

**POLK COUNTY
DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE
CASE OVERVIEW**

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PC Date:	October 5, 2016	TYPE:	LDC
BOCC Date:	October 18, 2016 November 1, 2016	CASE #:	LDC 16T-11

Project Number: 58820 (Floodplain Management and Surface Water Protection)

Request: Staff-initiated request to modify the Land Development Code to update the floodplain management regulations mandated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA); modify and update development processes and standards; update the organization of the chapter, terminology and definitions.

Applicant: Polk County Land Development Division

Location: County-wide

Land Use Designation: Various

Development Area: Various

Nearest Municipality: County-wide

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Case Overview: Polk County utilizes Chapter 6 of the Land Development Code for many of the County’s environmental regulations. Additionally, FEMA’s Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) are used to identify flood hazards and areas in need of floodplain protection. These floodplain delineations are also used in coordination with the National Flood Insurance Program. Currently FEMA is in the process of updating the Flood Insurance Rate Maps for Polk County. During this process FEMA reviews the community’s floodplain regulations to ensure compliance with the current FEMA requirements. Several areas within the Polk County Land Development Code were identified for updates or modifications to be in compliance with FEMA regulations and the Florida Building Code.