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## MARSHFIELD ACHIEVES A 15% DISCOUNT ON FLOOD INSURANCE PREMIUMS

The Marshfield Community Rating System (CRS) and Plan for Public Information Committee (PPI) received certification on Friday, April 24, 2020 that the Town of Marshfield has achieved a class 7 in CRS, up from a current class of 9. This achievement saves all National Flood Insurance Program policyholders in Marshfield's high risk flood zone 15% annually on flood insurance premiums.

Additionally, the efforts within CRS and the PPI make Marshfield a safer community by raising flood risk awareness.

Collectively the savings is over \$300,000 annually in flood insurance premiums. In completing this accomplishment, Marshfield also has the most number of CRS points in the state, at 1,797. Marshfield set precedents in completing the CRS class upgrade, including being one of only 4 communities in New England (including NY State) that has a PPI, which is also the highest scoring of those 4. A PPI organizes all of the communities flood outreaches.

Special thanks to the PPI Committee; Joe Rossi, Chair; Tim Williams, Vice Chair; Doris Crary, Flood Plain Resident; Jeremy Devaney, Resident; Greg Guimond, Town Planner; Nancy Porreca, CRS Coordinator and Jim Folkard, Building Commissioner.

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