Why are assessments different for every property?

Assessments for each property are based on the benefit received from adequately funded levee operations and maintenance services. The specific benefit is the avoidance of flood damages to structures and land.

Each property’s assessment is calculated on several factors. Generally speaking, these include:

- **Relative flood risk** (location of property/Benefit Zone)
- **Land-use type** (e.g. Single-family residential; Commercial; Industrial)
- **Parcel size** (acreage)
- **Size of structure** (square footage of building footprint)
- **Average depth of flooding**
- **Percentage of parcel that is flooded**

Every property’s assessment will be different based upon these factors.

To the right are examples of how Single-Family Residential assessments with the same relative flood risk, located in Benefit Zone SC2, change based on structure square footage and average flood depths.

### Assessment Increases as Benefit Increases

3 feet of flooding causes more structure damage than 1 foot of flooding. Therefore, the property with 3 feet of flooding receives more benefit from the avoidance of flood damages than a property with 1 foot of flooding.

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<th>Flood Depth</th>
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- **LAND USE TYPE**: Single-Family Residential
- **BENEFIT ZONE**: SC2
- **PERCENTAGE OF PROPERTY THAT IS FLOODED**: 100%
- **PARCEL SIZE**: 0.10 acre

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