

# Changes are Coming to the Trinity River Common Vision Program Corridor Development Certificate (CDC) Process in October 2020!

The Trinity River Common Vision program, a program of the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG), is over 30 years old. The program is aimed at reducing flood risk and providing enhancements along the Trinity River corridor in North Central Texas. These changes will take effect on October 1, 2020, affecting Trinity River Common Vision communities and partners, and all applicants to the Corridor Development Certificate (CDC) process. These changes can be seen on [www.TrinityRiverCDC.com](http://www.TrinityRiverCDC.com).

## What Are Some Key Changes?

NCTCOG is launching [www.TrinityRiverCDC.com](http://www.TrinityRiverCDC.com), a new website with a data management system designed to ease and enhance the CDC permit management process for users.

- Download the latest version of the CDC model from this website.
- All CDC applications will now be submitted and reviewed through this website, streamlining and automating the process.

## How do CDC Users and Applicants Implement These Changes?

All CDC communities and partners that submit and/or review applications will receive accounts to login to the new system through the website. Step by step instructions for reviewers and submitters will be posted to [www.TrinityRiverCDC.com](http://www.TrinityRiverCDC.com).

With updates to the model to consolidate both the FEMA and CDC data and process, the CDC Cost Recovery Fees are changing, and a new Model Maintenance Fee will be required.

- The CDC Cost Recovery Fee funds the USACE technical review, NCTCOG administration costs, and the upkeep of [www.TrinityRiverCDC.com](http://www.TrinityRiverCDC.com).

Project is located within both the 100-year and SPF ineffective flow areas

Previous fee: \$3,250

**Updated fee: \$4,000**

Or, project is located: (A) Within the 100-year and SPF effective flow areas or (B) Within a 100-year ineffective flow area but within the SPF effective flow area

Previous fee: \$5,750

**Updated Fee: \$6,000**

- The Model Maintenance Fee will fund the cost associated with the USACE technical review of the development activity as-built condition in the final Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) submittal for incorporation into the CDC model. This fee will be required, payable to NCTCOG, when the CDC applicant submits their LOMR to the community. 100% of the fee will be deposited into the USACE review account.

**New fee: \$2,500**

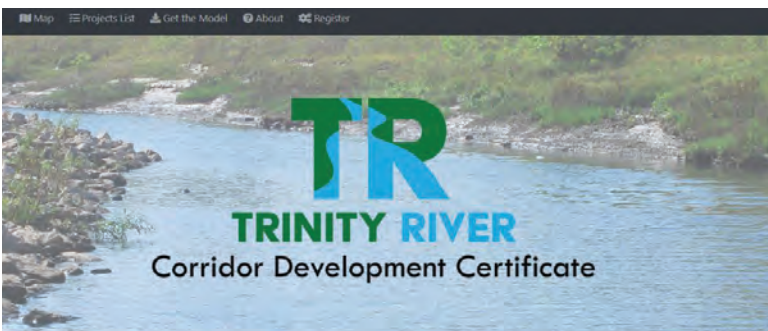


Image of Trinity River Corridor Development Certificate Website

The Corridor Development Certificate Process (CDC), a program of NCTCOG, affirms local government authority for local floodplain management and establishes a set of Common Regional Criteria and procedures for development within the Trinity River Corridor. The goal of the Corridor Development Certificate is the stabilization of flooding risks along the Trinity River Corridor in North Central Texas.



## Why Are These Changes Happening Now?

Multiple efforts are underway to update and expand the Trinity River Common Vision and CDC Program at the request of member governments communities, necessitating some changes to the way CDC business is conducted.

- Consolidation of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) and CDC models.

*FEMA agreed to fund their Risk Assessment, Mapping, and Planning Partners (RAMPP) Team to develop a fully georeferenced model along with 2005 watershed flows from the CDC model (approximately \$2 million expense). It is complete and includes CDC built projects through May 2017.*

*The USACE, through the Floodplain Management Services (FPMS) Program, is funding work beginning in FY21 in the amount of \$215,000 to incorporate future flows (2055) and approved but not constructed CDC projects (grandfathered as well as approved since May 2017) into the newly georeferenced FEMA model to create the consolidated CDC model.*

- The NFIP-CDC Model Consolidation Team, made up of volunteers from Trinity River Common Vision communities, partners, and the private sector, worked to establish policies and procedures to keep the consolidated model simplified and in sync with permit actions for each program. The work was detailed in a Findings and Recommendations Memo and approved by the Flood Management Task Force in January 2020. This group will reconvene during FY21 to assist in incorporating these policies and procedures into a new 5th Edition CDC Manual.
- The current Trinity River Common Vision footprint is expanding to include the Trinity River mainstem below the current CDC boundary and the East Fork Trinity River below Lake Ray Hubbard to the confluence with the mainstem.

*Member governments with property frontage along the East Fork Trinity River and extended mainstem have been coordinating with NCTCOG to join the Trinity River Common Vision program.*

*FEMA provided more than \$1.5 million to update the East Fork Trinity River from an unstudied Zone A to detailed Zone AE.*

*The USACE, through the Floodplain Management Services (FPMS) Program, is funding work beginning in FY21 in the amount of \$270,000 to create future flows (2055) for the FEMA East Fork Trinity study and merge it with the CDC consolidated model.*

Visit [www.TrinityRiverCDC.com](http://www.TrinityRiverCDC.com) to see these changes!



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