

## Early Notice and Public Review of a Proposed Activity in FEMA designated Floodplains

To: All interested Agencies, Tribes, Groups and Individuals

This is to give notice that Indian Health Service (IHS) under US Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) General Administration Manual (GAM) Part 30 and IHS Environmental Review Manual has determined that the following proposed action is located in the FEMA designated 1% (100-year) and the 0.2% (500-year) floodplains, and IHS will be identifying and evaluating practicable alternatives to locating the action within the floodplain and the potential impacts on the floodplain from the proposed action, as required by Executive Order 11988. The proposed project location is 4212 North 16<sup>th</sup> Street in Phoenix, Maricopa County, Arizona.

IHS an agency of the HHS intends to renovate and replace an agency owned medical facility that serves the American Indian and Alaska Native communities. The Phoenix Indian Medical Center (PIMC), in partnership with the Tribes of Arizona, Nevada, and their associated Inter-Tribal councils, a Health Services Master Plan was developed. The proposed PIMC project is a product of the Master Plan in addition to the Primary and Extended Services Service Area Plans for the Phoenix Service Area Plans.

The purpose of the project is to renovate and replace the existing PIMC with a new, modern PIMC with ambulatory and inpatient services. The proposed facility will increase access to health care for the communities served, improve the quality of patient care and offer a range of new and expanded services and capabilities to the users of PIMC. The new facility will increase overall square footage from 302,191 to 1,687,659. Additional improvements will also include:

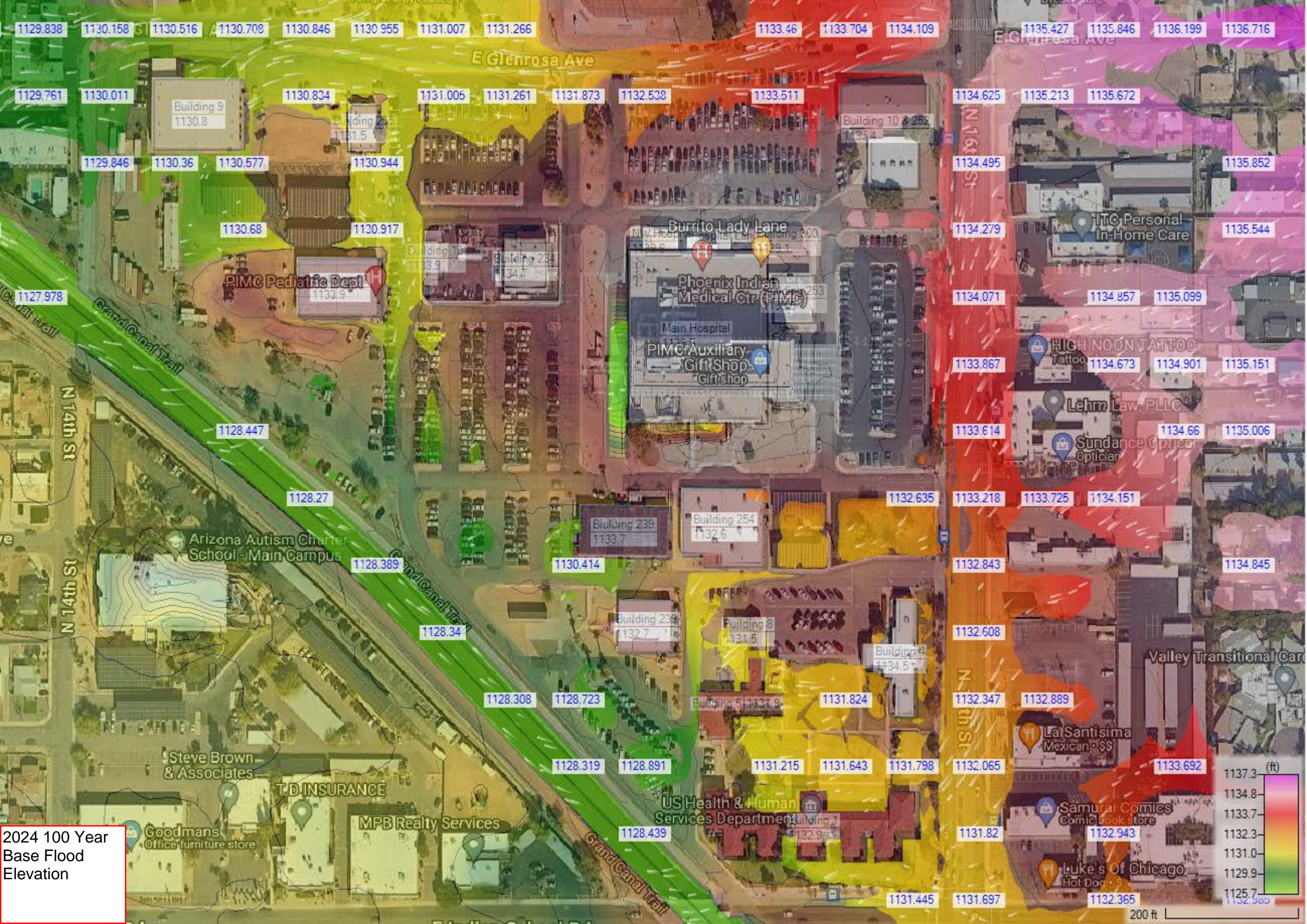
- 157 inpatient beds
- 21 labor, delivery, recovery, and postpartum beds
- 14 inpatient behavioral health beds
- 15 general operating rooms, 2 labor and delivery operating rooms and 8 dental operating rooms
- 71 treatment areas in the emergency department and an adjacent behavioral health crisis stabilization center
- 234 primary care exam rooms, 38 obstetrics and gynecology exam rooms and 79 pediatric exam rooms
- 232 dental chairs including dental surgery suite
- Extensive medical and surgical specialty care services
- Physical rehabilitation services
- Chemotherapy services
- Dialysis services
- All required ancillary and support services including expanded pharmacy, lab and imaging
- A 12-room hostel
- 7,074 parking spaces
- Multi-level urban parking structure

The entire proposed action area of the PIMC is located within the 1% and 0.2% floodplains and the proposed action is expected to impact approximately 25.72 acres of floodplain area, see site map below. The PIMC is a critical health care facility that is essential to the tribal community.

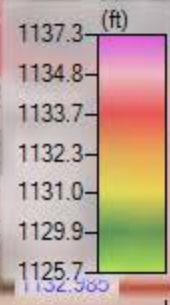
There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in floodplain and those who have an interest in the protection of the natural environment should be given an opportunity to express their concerns and provide information about these areas. Commenters are encouraged to offer alternative sites outside of the floodplain, alternative methods to serve the same project purpose, and methods to minimize and mitigate project impacts on the floodplain. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information and request for public comment about floodplain can facilitate and enhance Federal efforts to reduce the risks and impacts associated with the occupancy and modification of these special areas. Third, as a matter of fairness, when the Federal government determines it will participate in actions taking place in floodplain, it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk.

Written comments must be received on or before **[February, 21, 2025]** at the following address: Terracon Consultants, Inc. 4685 S. Ash Ave Ste. H-4., Tempe, AZ 85282 or via email at [philip.loftis@terracon.com](mailto:philip.loftis@terracon.com) or via phone at 602-776-0302. Attention: Mr. Phillip Loftis. For questions regarding project details, contact Mr. James Gooden, Apogee Consulting Group, 9449 Priority Way, West Dr. Ste. 240, Indianapolis, IN 46240 or via email at [jgooden@acg-pa.com](mailto:jgooden@acg-pa.com) or at 919-678-5815.

**Date: February 10, 2025**



2024 100 Year  
Base Flood  
Elevation



200 ft



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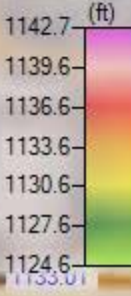
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Year Base  
Flood  
Elevation



200 ft