



**Board of County Commissioners**

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**FLOOD INSURANCE PREMIUMS TO BE REDUCED FOR RESIDENTS LIVING IN UNINCORPORATED CAMDEN COUNTY**

Camden County improves to Class 7 in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS)

**WOODBINE, GEORGIA - January 6, 2015** – Camden County Commissioners will accept a Community Rating System (CRS) Class 7 Plaque at tonight’s Commissioners’ Meeting. Insurance Services Office (ISO) personnel, Sue Hopfensperger, will be on hand to make the presentation as Camden County improves to a Class 7 ranking. This new ranking will provide citizens who carry Flood Insurance the opportunity for a 15% savings on their premium.

Staff were instrumental in leading the way for this new Class 7 ranking. “I commend County staff for looking at this opportunity to reduce costs for taxpayers and for their commitment to make Camden County a more disaster resistant community,” said Steve Howard, County Administrator. The new rating not only reduces flood insurance premiums but also enhances public safety, preserves the natural functions of floodplains and protects property. In Camden’s case, it will provide those citizens with flood insurance policies a savings of over \$113,000 in 2015.

Camden County entered into the CRS Program in 2013 and has maintained a Class 8 Rating until recently increasing to a Class 7. The improved rating will allow for a discount on Flood Insurance policies that are in flood zones within the unincorporated areas of Camden County. Policy holders will immediately start receiving a 15% discount in the flood hazard area and a 5% discount on policies outside the flood hazard area.

For additional information, please contact Camden County at 912.576.5601 or visit our website at [www.camdencountyga.gov](http://www.camdencountyga.gov).

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**About Camden County:** Located in the extreme southeast corner of Georgia, Camden County truly is “Georgia’s Coastal Community of Choice.” Originally formed in 1777, Camden County is best known for its rich history, natural scenic beauty and Southern hospitality. Our vision is helping to make this the best place to live by preserving and enhancing the history and quality of life, while promoting smart growth and providing an efficient, effective and responsive government.

*“Leadership that Listens”*

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