

Guide to Downloadable CBRS Data

	Shapefile Name	Description	Who should use these data
<p>Step 1: Choose one of these two sets of polygons in the zip file</p>	CBRS Polygons	This data set includes polygons covering each area designated within the CBRS. Each polygon is attributed with the unit number, unit name, unit type (i.e., Otherwise Protected Area or System Unit), and acreage information.	Users seeking general information about the location of CBRS units that do not need the establishment date or flood insurance prohibition date for any particular area. Users seeking CBRS acreage information.
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	CBRS Prohibitions	This data set includes polygons covering each area designated within the CBRS. Each polygon is attributed with the unit number, unit name, and unit type (i.e., Otherwise Protected Area or System Unit). This data set also contains the dates on which prohibitions on Federal flood insurance and other Federal expenditures took effect. NOTE: These data are also available as a WMS and a REST Service and are included in the CBRS Mapper .	Users seeking both information regarding the location of CBRS units and the System Unit establishment date (where applicable) and flood insurance prohibition date. This is the data set that should be used (in conjunction with the CBRS Buffer Zone shapefile) to complete FEMA's Standard Flood Hazard Determination Form and Elevation Certificate . This data set may be used by FEMA's National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) to determine whether structures within the CBRS are grandfathered for flood insurance purposes. This data set may also be used by Federal agencies to determine whether certain pre-existing roads, structures, facilities, and federal navigation channels within the CBRS are eligible for federal funding and financial assistance.
<p>Step 2: Pair the polygons with the buffer in the zip file</p>	CBRS Buffer Zone	This data set is intended to be paired with either of the above data sets to illustrate the stated horizontal accuracy of the boundaries therein. Users should pair this data with the CBRS Polygons or CBRS Prohibitions data and an orthoimage when inspecting areas that are within or in close proximity to the CBRS. Users are advised to contact the Service for an official determination as to whether a particular property or structure that falls either partially or completely within the CBRS Buffer Zone is located within CBRS. NOTE: These data are also available as a WMS and a REST Service and are included in the CBRS Mapper .	All users of the CBRS Polygons and CBRS Prohibitions data are encouraged to use the CBRS Buffer Zone. In particular, users completing a FEMA Standard Flood Hazard Determination Form, Elevation Certificate , or any type of survey should use these data. Other common users would include: the NFIP and other Federal agencies making Federal expenditures or providing Federal financial assistance, users planning a project in or near the CBRS that utilizes Federal funds (or may use Federal funds in the future), and any user needing CBRS information about a specific property within or near the CBRS.

Shapefile users are encouraged to subscribe to the [CBRA Listserv](#) to receive notifications when boundary changes are made. For questions about the downloadable CBRS data, see the [metadata](#), visit the Service's [Digital CBRS Boundaries page](#), or email cbra@fws.gov.

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