

Update on Progress

Welcome to the sixth newsletter for the Shannon Catchment Flood Risk Assessment and Management (CFRAM) Study.

In this addition of the Shannon CFRAM Study newsletter we are appealing for information; we want to know about flooding events you have witnessed, within the Shannon Region.

The production of detailed flood maps for the Study will continue throughout 2013 which will show where flooding is likely to occur in the Shannon area. In preparation for this, we are working to ensure that the flood maps are accurate and reliable by working with stakeholders such as yourselves to understand areas known to have flooded.

We are currently in the process of undertaking a detailed data gathering exercise. To further improve the quality of this exercise, you may be able to provide more information on flooding which you have experienced in your area.

We will use the local flooding information we receive to inform our studies.



Your Flooding Experiences

The information and data we are looking for, needs to be of good quality and if possible should include any or as many as possible of the following:

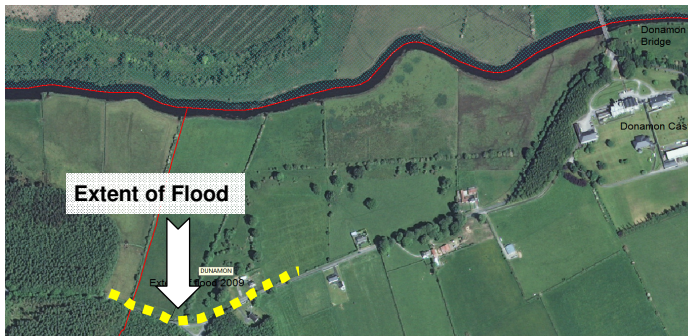
- **Location of flood** (town, village, townland, grid reference, GPS co-ordinates);
- **Source of flooding** (river, stream, rainwater, coastal);
- **Flood start date and time;**
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- **Key features flooded** (property flooded, height of flood on trees, walls and roads);
- **Key features not flooded** (property and roads not flooded);
- **Photographs** (taken at the time of or after the flooding event, date of photograph);
- **Map** (sketch showing location or outline of flood water)
- **Newspaper reports;** and
- **Source of information** (newspaper, personal information, organisation or group).

During a flood event your personal safety is the main priority, if you feel like you are at risk return to a safe environment

The Flood Map Input forms can be downloaded from our website www.shannoncfamstudy.ie under the download section.

Examples of the information we are looking for can be found below.

River Suck in Castlecoote, Co. Roscommon – on the 19th November 2009 the water level was up to the level of the top of the last step on the left of the picture just below where the planter pots can be seen to the side of the Castlecoote Stores. This picture was taken from the bridge looking upstream on Friday 19th October 2012.



Donamon - on the River Suck, Co. Roscommon– the flooding in 2009 was to the extent shown. The road between here and Castlecoote was impassable due to the flooding to the south of this location along what is known as the 'Wood Road'.

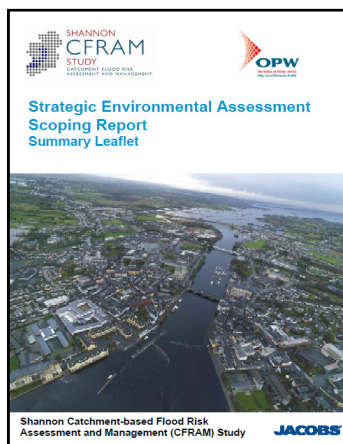
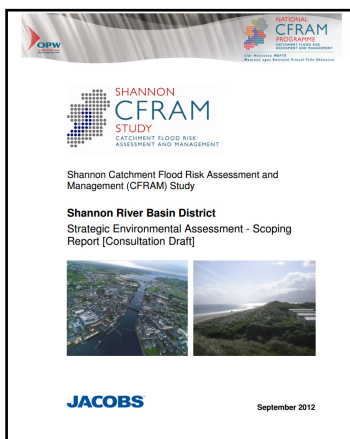
Strategic Environmental Assessment

The Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) is progressing well. We have gathered a large amount of environmental data to date, as well as useful stakeholder and community knowledge from our two SEA workshops and open days in 2012.

The SEA Scoping Report [Consultation Draft] and Summary Leaflet are now available to download from our website www.shannoncframstudy.ie under the Download section. We recommend you read these as they outline the key findings of our work.

Below are some points for your consideration, relating to the review of the SEA Scoping Report [Consultation Draft]. We welcome any comments or questions;

- Any plans, programmes or projects that may be of use to our SEA which you feel have not yet been considered;
- Provisional objectives of the SEA and their implications for the future;
- Data or information sources not yet considered; and
- Key issues related to flood risk and flood risk management.



Getting Involved

If you have any information on flooding within the Shannon area, or any questions on what type of flooding information is appropriate, please contact us. You can download the 'Flood Map Input' form on www.shannoncframstudy.ie under the download section.

If you have any other comments, queries or questions on the SEA Scoping Report or other aspects of the Shannon CFRAM Study, please contact us on any of the methods below:

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