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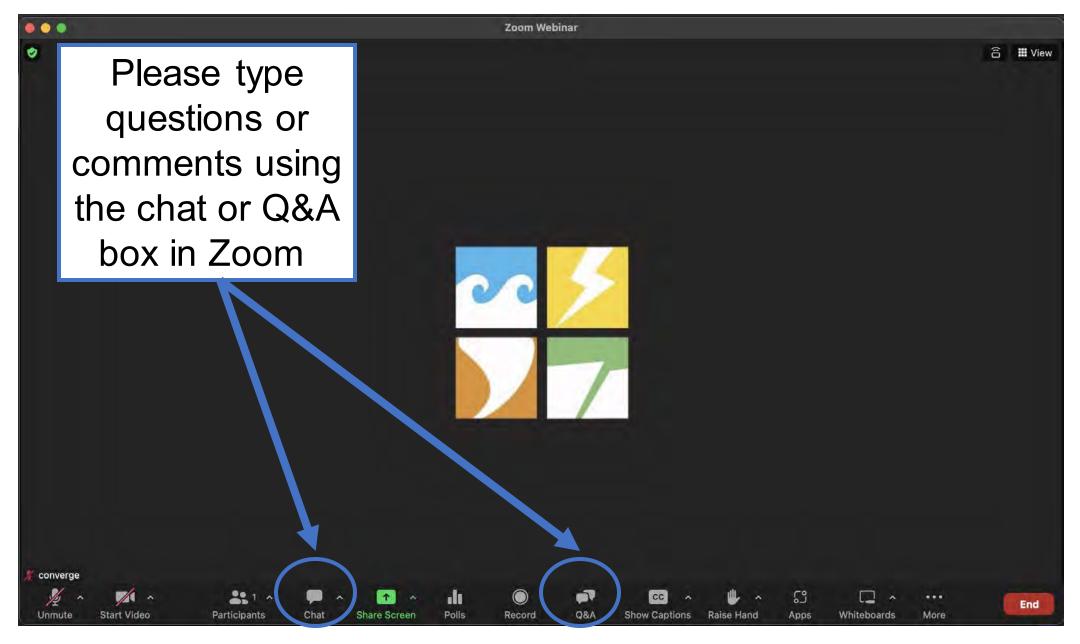




















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## THE FUTURE IS HERE: New Flood-Resilient Building Standards Raise the Bar for Risk Protection

Climate-driven increases in sea levels, storm surges, and flood risks make it clear that building standards of the past won't hold up to today's escalating risk levels. Luckily, they don't have to—the American Society of Civil Engineers <u>recently</u> announced an update to their design standards that will protect buildings from 500-year floods as opposed to the previous 100-year flood standard.

The new standard was informed by the National Initiative to Advance Building Codes (NIABC), a multi-agency federal effort working to incorporate consensus-based codes into programs that fund or provide technical assistance on construction and rebuilding. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) recently created a Building Code Strategy as part of the effort.



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