

## · FloodSafe Project Guide

Welcome! This guide is designed to help you understand the **FloodSafe** codebase, its architecture, and the vision behind it. Whether you are a student or a contributor, this document will walk you through everything from the folder structure to the future roadmap.

---

### .. 1. Understanding the Codebase

We use a **Monorepo** structure. This means all our different projects (Backend, Frontend, IoT) live in one single repository. This makes it easier to share code and run everything together.

#### · Directory Structure

```
FloodSafe/
... apps/                                # Where the actual code lives
...   ... backend/                         # The Brain (Python/FastAPI)
...   ... frontend/                        # The Face (React/Vite)
...   ... iot-ingestion/                   # The Ears (Python/IoT)
... docker-compose.yml                     # The Orchestra Conductor
... pnpm-workspace.yaml                  # The Glue (links everything)
```

#### · The Backend (`apps/backend`)

**Tech:** Python, FastAPI, SQLAlchemy, PostGIS. **Pattern:** Clean Architecture.

- **Why?** We separate the "Business Logic" (Domain) from the "Database" (Infrastructure). This means if we change the database later, our core logic doesn't break.
- **Key Files:**
  - `src/domain/models.py`: Defines what a "User" or "Report" *is* (Pydantic models).
  - `src/api/reports.py`: Handles the logic when someone uploads a flood report (including Geotag verification!).

#### · The Frontend (`apps/frontend`)

**Tech:** React, TypeScript, MapLibre GL. **Key Feature:** Vector Maps.

- **Why?** Instead of loading heavy images for the map, we use "Vector Tiles" (`.pmtiles`). This makes the map fast and zoomable without needing a generic Google Maps API key.
- **Key Files:**
  - `src/lib/map/useMap.ts`: The hook that loads the map and handles the layers.

#### · IoT Ingestion (`apps/iot-ingestion`)

**Tech:** Python (FastAPI). **Purpose:** To listen to thousands of sensors.

- **Why separate?** If 10,000 sensors send data at once, we don't want the main website to slow down. This service handles the noise.
-

## · 2. Current Features (MVP)

This is what works **right now**:

### 1 Interactive Flood Map:

- You can see a detailed map of the city (Bangalore/Delhi) with flood zones.

### 2 Geotagged Reporting:

- Users can upload a photo of a flood.
- **Smart Check:** The backend reads the GPS data (EXIF) from the photo to verify if it was actually taken at that location.

### 3 Real-time Sensor Data:

- The system can receive and display water level data from IoT sensors.

### 4 SOS Webhook:

- A placeholder endpoint exists to receive WhatsApp Location SOS messages.
- 

## · 3. The Mobile App Path

We designed this system to be **Mobile-First**. Here is how we turn this into an app:

### Strategy: "Capacitor" (The Fast Way)

We don't need to rewrite the code. We can use a tool called **Capacitor** to wrap our React website into a native Android/iOS app.

- 1 **Install Capacitor** in `apps/frontend`.
- 2 **Build:** It takes the web code and puts it inside a native container.
- 3 **Deploy:** You get an `.apk` file to install on your phone.

### Why this is cool:

- The **Backend** doesn't care if it's a web or mobile app. It just serves JSON.
  - We can access native features like **Push Notifications** and **Background Geolocation** using Capacitor plugins.
- 

## · 4. Production Features & Gaps

These are the "Big League" features we have architected but haven't fully built yet.

### · Gaps (For You to Build)

#### 1 Video Reporting (Deferred)

- **The Goal:** Allow users to upload videos.
- **The Gap:** Storing large videos on a server is hard. We need to connect to **AWS S3** or **Google Cloud Storage** to handle this efficiently.
- **Code Prep:** The `Report` model already has `media_type="video"` ready to go !

#### 2 AI Prediction (Prophet)

- **The Goal:** Predict floods 2 hours before they happen.
- **The Gap:** We need historical data to train the AI.
- **Code Prep:** We created an interface `IPredictionService`. You just need to write the code that fills in the blanks.

### 3 WhatsApp SOS Integration

- **The Goal:** Real-time SOS via WhatsApp.
  - **The Gap:** We need a **Twilio** account and WhatsApp Business approval.
  - **Code Prep:** The endpoint `/api/webhooks/whatsapp` is already written and waiting for the connection.
- 

### · Final Advice for Students

- **Start Small:** Try to run the `docker-compose up` command and get the map showing.
- **Explore:** Look at `apps/backend/src/domain/models.py`. Try adding a new field to the `User` model.
- **Break Things:** It's the best way to learn. If the map stops loading, check the browser console!

Happy Coding! .