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NOW THAT YOU HAVE THE MAP, TAKE THE NEXT STEPS

TALK TO US!

Maps don't give you the whole picture, and **not all flood hazards are currently shown on the maps.** Your Flood Control Hydrologist can give you info not found on a map, even if the map says you're not in a mapped floodplain.

HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE DOES NOT COVER FLOOD DAMAGE

Please protect your home and your contents/belongings with a flood insurance policy today.

- Over 25% of flood claims occur outside of mapped high hazard floodplains.
- Just inches of water inside your home can cause tens of thousands of dollars in damages to the building and its contents.
- Renters can get flood insurance for their contents.
- Flood insurance may be cheaper than you think! Especially if you're not in a FEMA Special Flood Hazard Area.

Visit www.floodsmart.gov for more information

TURN AROUND, DON'T DROWN!

Don't put the life of yourself or others in danger by driving through flooded washes or streets. **Plan ahead!** Identify alternate routes or find a safe place to wait until flood waters recede.

When in doubt, wait it out. A slight delay in your day is better than getting washed away.

BE PREPARED!

- ✓ Make a flood preparedness plan and make sure everyone knows what to do when it floods.
- ✓ Keep emergency supplies in stock.

BUILD RESPONSIBLY

- ✓ Know the rules.
- ✓ Get a permit before you build. Even fences and grading requires a permit when in a floodplain.
- ✓ Be aware of how your improvement affects drainage for neighbors.
- ✓ Don't deviate from the conditions of your permit and the approved plans without talking with your floodplain and building permit agencies.
- ✓ Take action now to protect your home from flooding
 - Elevate A/C units and don't put debris in washes.
 - Talk to Flood Control about protecting your structure

PROTECT THE FLOODPLAIN

A naturally functioning floodplain is your best bet for reducing flood damages. Don't disturb riparian habitat. It slows the flow of water, which reduces erosion and increases groundwater recharge.

Disturbing mapped riparian habitat may require a Floodplain Use Permit.