

NOTICE TO: Lending Institutions, Real Estate, and Insurance Agents

SUBJECT: Flood Insurance Rate Map Zone Information

As a public service, the City of St. Louis Park will provide you with the following information upon request:

- Whether a property is in or out of the Flood Hazard Area (FHA) as shown on the current Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) of the city. Whether a property is in or out of the floodway. In or near an area where the problems are not shown on the FIRM.
- Additional flood insurance data for a site, such as the FIRM zone and the base flood elevation or depth, if shown on the FIRM. Whether a property is in or near an area of historical flooding and/or natural functions floodplain.
- There is information on the city's website regarding flood insurance purchase requirements that can help people who need a mortgage or loan for a property in the SFHA. Flood insurance is required for federally backed loans.
- Turn Around Don't Drown. Know your evacuation routes and keep important documents elevated. Retrofitting techniques such as elevation of structure or HVAC systems may offer property protection; all work in the floodplain requires permits from the zoning department.
- It is important to keep the conveyance systems clean and clear of debris. Per ordinance 12-157 it is illegal to dump in our water ways. To report illegal dumping, contact Erick Francis at 952.924.2690.

If you would like to make an inquiry, please tell us the street address and, if available, the subdivision, lot and block number. We are open 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday. Call Community Development at 952.924.2575 or drop by the office at 5005 Minnetonka Boulevard for more information.