**Prevent**

- **Keep** storm drains, gutters, and ditches clear.
- **Check** with your local flood control agency to see if a permit is required if you plan to build on, fill, alter, or re-grade your property.
- **Never** excavate, plant, modify, or build anything on any levee or flood control easement without permits from the appropriate local, state, and federal agencies.

**Prepare**

- **Prepare** an emergency kit that includes: flashlights, radio, batteries, candles, matches, blankets, water, food, first-aid kit, and a list and supply of all medications.
- **Keep** important documents and valuable possessions on an upper level of the structure, or as high as possible.
- **Make** a list of items to take with you and have a plan for your pets.
- **Know** how to safely shut off your utilities.
- **Listen** to authorities for emergency instructions.
- **Establish** a family meeting place.

**Protect**

- **Never** drive through flooded streets or roads. More people are trapped and die in their vehicles than anywhere else during floods.
- **Never** try to escape rising floodwater by going into the attic unless you have roof access, or if there are no other safe options.
- **Consider** buying flood insurance. It is a wise investment.

For more ideas about protecting your property against floods, go to [water.ca.gov/myfloodrisk](http://water.ca.gov/myfloodrisk) and click on “Protect Your Property from Flooding.”

**Did you know?**

> More than 7 million California residents are at risk of flooding and many don’t realize it.

- Levees may reduce, but do not eliminate, the risk of flooding and are subject to catastrophic failure.
- Even if a levee meets the FEMA standard of protection, there is a greater than 25% chance of a larger flood occurring within any 30-year period (the length of a typical home mortgage).
- Flood damage is **not covered** by most standard home, renter, and business owners’ insurance policies.
- The State recommends that you obtain flood insurance for your property. Contact your insurance agent or call the National Flood Insurance Program at 1-877-336-2627.
Dear Property Owner,

Your property is located behind a State/Federal project levee. According to our records, your property located at________________________________________may be exposed to potential flood risk from the __________________________________________levee. Your property may also be at risk for flooding from other sources not identified in this notice, such as creeks and local storm drains.

Visit water.ca.gov/myfloodrisk and enter your property address to find the areas subject to flooding if State/Federal levees should fail, and to get information about State/Federal levees in your area.

Protect what you value most.

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