Dear Property Owner:

BE AWARE of your flood risk and be prepared.

Living with Levees

KNOW YOUR FLOOD

Flood Risk Notice 2012
Consider these facts:

- Levees may reduce, but do not eliminate, the risk of flooding.
- In California, from 1950 through 2007, flooding caused more than $4.8 billion in property damage (Source: CalEMA).
- 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 1-888-435-6637, or visit:

www.water.ca.gov/myfloodrisk

What’s your RISK?

- 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, etc.

- 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.

Remember this simple 3-step plan

- Prevent Never fill, excavate, landscape, plant, irrigate, modify, or place an improvement on any levee or flood control easement without permits from the appropriate local, state, and federal agencies.

- Check with your local agency to see if a permit is required if you plan to build on, fill, alter, or re-grade your property.

- Keep storm drains, gutters, and ditches clear.

- Protect Never try to escape rising floodwater by going into the attic unless you have roof access, or if there are no other safe options.

- Never drive through flooded streets or roads; more people are trapped and die in their vehicles than anywhere else during floods.

- Consider buying flood insurance. It is a wise investment for property owners and renters.

- For more ideas about protecting your property against floods, go to www.water.ca.gov/myfloodrisk and click on “Protect Your Property.”

Get a list of your local emergency contacts and more local, state, and federal information at:

www.water.ca.gov/myfloodrisk

myfloodrisk@water.ca.gov  1-877-7MY-RISK (1-877-769-7475)  TTY: 711 (contact 1-877-769-7475)

Please share this important notice with your tenants. Have it translated if necessary.

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Por favor cómpártala con sus inquilinos. Tradúzcala si es necesario.
Para preguntas llame al: 1.877.769.7475 o visite:

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