COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Engineering and Capital Projects

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RE: Flood Protection in Washoe County, Nevada

Dear Washoe County Floodplain Resident/Property Owner,

The Washoe County floodplain program educates our community regarding how to stay safe and to protect property during a flood. Your property at [insert property] is in an area that floods on an average of once every 10 years, but you are not alone. Local and regional resources are available to identify your flood risk and to take appropriate action to prevent or mitigate water damage.

The Community Services Department Engineering Team works closely with national and local emergency management teams. The team has developed the attached resource to help owners take action to prepare prior to a flood to prepare ahead and mitigate damages. This includes identifying your property risk, ensuring that you may recover quickly by purchasing flood insurance, and building to current codes that help reduce flood damage.

If you have any questions about the flood risk of properties within unincorporated Washoe County or to learn more, please contact Washoe311 at washoe311@washoecounty.gov, 3-1-1, or 775-328-2003. We are available to follow up on your questions and/or set a time that works for you to discuss.

Most importantly, during a flood, your safety is more important than any property or valuable. Prepare ahead of a flood by staying informed, preparing a family emergency plan, and gathering an emergency kit. Learn more about emergency preparedness on the Washoe County Emergency Management website or call Washoe311 at 3-1-1 or 775-328-2003.

On behalf of our team, thank you for taking the extra time to review these documents, call for additional information on local services, and protect yourself from repetitive water damage.

Sincerely,

Dwayne Smith, P.E. Director, Engineering and Capital Projects Washoe County Community Services Department