

 **COCONINO**  
COUNTY ARIZONA  
**FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT**

**Flood Advisory - June 2016**

**Oak Creek Canyon Flood Area  
Property Owners Need to be Aware  
of the Following:**

There remains an increased likelihood of flash flooding as a result of the 2014 Slide Fire. Although natural recovery in the area continues, significant flash flooding, debris flows and rock slides can still occur along the west side of Oak Creek Canyon north of Slide Rock State Park. Debris-laden and increased flash flood flows can also occur in Oak Creek.

Potential flash flooding and landslides can create a significant threat to lives, private property, public utilities and public infrastructure.

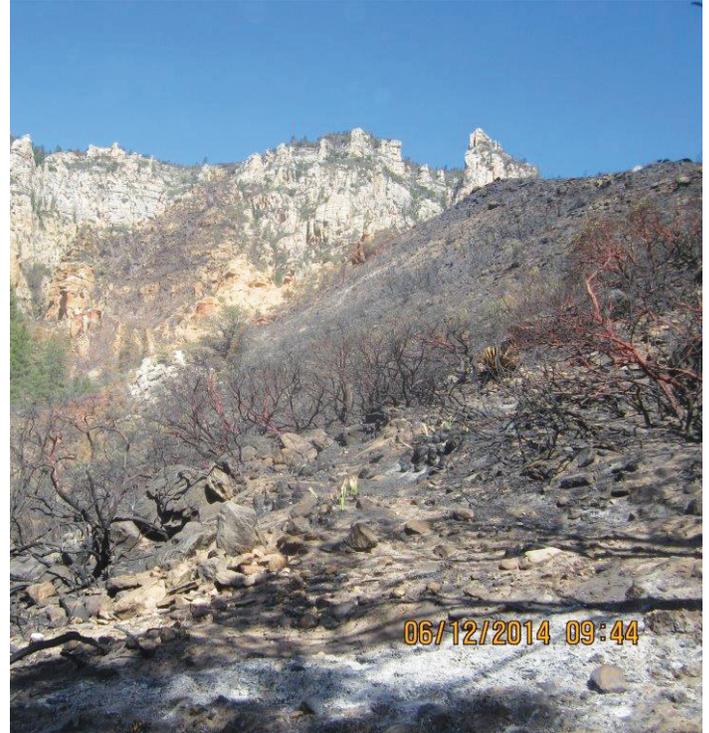
Emergency notification, emergency response and communication are very limited in many areas within Oak Creek Canyon, which creates additional dangers during flash flood events. Emergency Response during flash flood or landslide events could be significantly delayed due to impacts to roadways and low-water crossings, or other hazardous conditions.

Residential private property owners are responsible for the safety of their families, guests and renters.

Business owners are responsible for the safety of their employees, guests and others on their properties.

Unpredictable changes may occur in the flood channels from flood event to flood event and from year to year. Floodwaters may create new flood paths.

**The County strongly encourages all property owners to purchase flood insurance and take other suitable precautions to protect your property and yourselves from injury due to flooding.** The determination of what specific precautions are suitable for a particular property is your responsibility. You may wish to consult an engineer of your choice.



A separate flood insurance policy through the **National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP)** covers damage to your home (up to a designated amount) and belongings caused by flooding. Contact the National Flood Insurance Program to secure a policy by calling 1-888-379-9531 or on-line at [www.floodsmart.gov](http://www.floodsmart.gov). A flood insurance policy must be in place prior to the flood event to make a claim.

The Coconino County Flood Control District implemented some mitigation measures in 2014 on private properties deemed feasible based upon assessments. The effectiveness of the measures is unknown and likely will only handle the more regular, smaller type of storm events, not large storm events. The assessment of risk and proposed temporary mitigation measures are minor in nature. The measures implemented are not intended to be permanent improvements or intended to fully prevent minor or major damage.

For more information regarding emergency notification and flood preparation, please visit [www.coconino.az.gov/SlideFloodInformation](http://www.coconino.az.gov/SlideFloodInformation)