

## **Museum Flood Area Property Owners Need to be Aware of the Following:**

- **There is a strong likelihood of hazardous flash flooding as a result of the Museum Fire.** The Coconino County Flood Control District has conducted an analysis of the flood risk created by the Museum Fire and determined that the area shown on the map is at risk for hazardous flash flooding. It must be noted that flood waters can create unpredictable changes, which can create new flood paths.
- **In 2019 the Flood Control District implemented emergency flood mitigation measures to reduce flooding impacts resulting from the Museum Fire. These measures, which were implemented with the consent of affected property owners when located on private land, will only handle the more regular, smaller type storm events, not large storm events.** The measures implemented were based upon our best available data. **The flood mitigation measures implemented are not a complete protection from post-wildfire flooding but implemented as emergency response measures.**
- Because of the historically dry 2019 monsoon season, which was the driest on record, these emergency flood mitigation measures were not tested against anything close to normal rainfall conditions and **should remain in place at least until the end of the 2020 monsoon season.**
- **The Flood Control District strongly encourages all property owners and occupants to take suitable precautions to mitigate flooding impacts to their properties and themselves from injury or loss of life due to flooding.** The determination of what specific precautions are suitable for your particular property is your responsibility. You may wish to consult an engineer of your choice.
- **The Flood Control District strongly encourages all homeowners within the expected flood area to purchase flood insurance. A separate flood insurance policy through the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) covers damage to your home and belongings caused by flooding with a specific cap on the amount of damages. Standard homeowners' insurance does **NOT** cover flood damage.** If your insurance agent is not aware of the procedures for selling flood insurance policies, then please call the National Flood Insurance Program Call Center at 1-800-427-4661 for a referral. More information is available at <https://www.floodsmart.gov/> and at [www.coconino.az.gov/MuseumFire/FloodArea](http://www.coconino.az.gov/MuseumFire/FloodArea). When purchasing a flood insurance policy, there is typically a 30-day waiting period for coverage to become effective.
- The FCD and City of Flagstaff have constructed long-term flood mitigation projects to reduce flooding impacts resulting from the Museum Fire. These projects, which include the Alluvial Fan Stabilization Project; Wildrose Basins Debris Removal Project; Linda Vista Drainage Crossing Improvements Project and the Spruce Avenue Wash Rock Vane Weirs Project will only handle the more regular, smaller type storm events, not large storm events. The projects constructed are designed based upon best available data. For more information regarding these projects and flood area hazard maps please visit [www.coconino.az.gov/MuseumFire/FloodArea](http://www.coconino.az.gov/MuseumFire/FloodArea).
- **Within the Museum Flood Risk Area there are formal and informal drainage channels. Residents and others should *NOT* enter these flood channels nor allow children or pets into these channels. Floodwaters may enter the neighborhoods with very little or no notice.**

**The important information in this Notice is provided to Museum Flood Area property owners and residents so that they can take suitable precautions to protect themselves and their properties. This Notice is intended to comply with ARS 48-3603 (J).**

For more information please visit [www.coconino.az.gov/MuseumFire/FloodArea](http://www.coconino.az.gov/MuseumFire/FloodArea)