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Notice of Community Informational Meetings
FEMA's S.F. Bay Coastal Study

Tuesday, June 17, 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
MPR at the Hill Education Center
720 Diablo Ave, Novato

Wednesday, June 18, 2014, 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
City of San Rafael Council Chambers
1400 5th Avenue, San Rafael

Thursday, June 19, 2014, 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Mill Valley Community Center Cascade Room
180 Camino Alto, Mill Valley

Dear Property Owner:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), cities and towns, and the County of Marin, will be hosting informational meetings on the FEMA San Francisco Bay Coastal Study preliminary maps and appeal period process at the dates and times shown above. The same information will be presented by FEMA at each meeting. You have received this notice from the City of San Rafael because you are currently within a Special Flood Hazard Area and/or your parcel may be affected by this study.

The FEMA coastal study to re-examine flood risk along the San Francisco Bay shoreline has been completed for Marin County. This study results in revised Flood Insurance Rate Maps, which may include a change in the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) for property owners. The preliminary maps are now ready for public review and comment. The appeal period will begin on June 4, and will end on September 2, 2014.

What will happen at the meeting?

FEMA will summarize the study and revised Flood Insurance Rate Maps. A schedule of activities and milestones will be reviewed as well as the process to file an appeal. A flood insurance representative will discuss the changes to the National Flood Insurance Program. Preliminary maps will be available for viewing showing the proposed new limit of SFHA. There will be a question and answer period for general questions followed by a break out session where local officials can answer more specific questions.

Where can I find out more?

Information on the SF Bay coastal study can be found at these web sites:

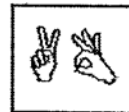
<https://www.marinmap.org> Click on Applications and chose FEMA Flood Hazard Information OR
<https://hazards.fema.gov/femaportal/prelimdownload/>

General flood insurance information can be found at this web site:

www.floodsmart.gov. There is also a toll free customer service phone number (888) 379-9531.

You can preview these proposed maps at our website at <http://www.cityofsanrafael.org/pubworks-engr-flood-maps> after June 9th, 2014 or contact us for specific questions about your property. For properties within the San Rafael city limits call (415) 485-3355 or email Kevin.McGowan@cityofsanrafael.org.

Requests for meeting accommodations may be made by calling 473-4381 (Voice) 473-3232 (TDD/TTY) or by e-mail at disabilityaccess@marincounty.org at least four work days in advance of the event. Copies of documents are available in alternative formats, upon request.



All County public meetings are conducted in accessible locations. If you require American sign language interpreters, assistive listening devices, or other accommodations, you may be request them by calling (415) 473-3232 (TTY) or (415) 473-4381 (voice) at least 72 hours in advance.

Copies of documents are available in accessible formats upon request.

If you have further questions and comments please feel free to give me a call at 485-3355 or I can be reached at kevin.mcgowan@cityofsanrafael.org.

Very truly yours,

Kevin McGowan
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