



PLACER COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Ken Grehm, Director
Peter Kraatz, Deputy Director

July 9, 2012

Name
Mailing Address
Mailing Address

Re: Lake Forest Water Quality and Flood Protection Improvements

Dear Name,

County records indicate that you are the owner of Site Address.

Placer County recently completed the first phase of the Lake Forest Erosion Control and Meadow Restoration Project near your property. The work conducted in the meadow area included reestablishment of a historic stream channel and other enhancements that have reduced flooding impacts to structures in the area. This letter is to inform you that the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report and Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) for your community have been revised. A Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) was approved for the following areas: Lake Forest Creek from the mouth to approximately 380 feet upstream of State Route 28, Barton (Polaris) Creek from the confluence with Lake Forest Creek to approximately 210 feet upstream, and Bristlecone Street Drainage from the mouth to just downstream of Sierra Vista Avenue.

The general goals of the County's project included water quality, soil erosion control, flood protection, enhancement of terrestrial and aquatic wildlife habitat, and enhancement of vegetation and scenic resources through restoration of natural functions and processes. These goals help protect the clarity of the lake by providing natural storm water treatment and stable conveyance of runoff. Flood protection benefits result from drainage channelization and enhancement of natural meadow functions. Boardwalks and foot bridges were included in the project to enhance recreational access while protecting the sensitive soils of the meadow.

Attached you will find a letter from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to the Placer County Board of Supervisors that approves the Letter of Map Revision which modifies the previously mapped floodplain in the Lake Forest area. We strongly recommend that you maintain flood insurance for your property, even if your mortgage lender doesn't require that you maintain coverage. It is important to remember that a Homeowner's insurance policy does not provide flood loss coverage. Placer County is a

participant in the National Flood Insurance Program's Community Rating System; as such, discounts on flood insurance premiums are available to property owners.

We would like to take a moment to remind you that your actions can make a significant contribution to protecting the health of our streams and lakes for future generations! We invite you to learn more about our water quality protection program and what you can do to help keep our waters clean by visiting the County's Storm Water Management Web Site at www.placer.ca.gov/stormwater. Also, we offer much more information about flood protection measures, floodplain mapping, and flood insurance on our Floodplain Management Web Site at www.placer.ca.gov/floodplain.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at 530-745-7503.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mary Keller", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mary Keller
Placer County Public Works
Storm Water Quality/ Floodplain Management Division
3091 County Center Drive, Ste 220
Auburn, CA 95603