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Memorandum

TO: Real Estate Professionals
Insurance Agents
Home Loan Officials
Mortgage Companies

FROM: Jeff Harris, Floodplain Administrator Flathead County

DATE: September 2, 2009

RE: Floodplain Information

This is a reminder that the Flathead County Planning & Zoning Office provides floodplain information for the un-incorporated parts of Flathead County (those areas outside of the City Limits or zoning jurisdiction of Columbia Falls, Kalispell, and Whitefish). The building and planning departments of each of the incorporated cities can help you with floodplain information within the City limits or zoning jurisdiction.

In the past, we have provided written Floodplain Determinations and scaled specific properties onto Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) to depict portions of property lying within Zone A and Zone B. However, the State Department of Natural Resource Conservation, Floodplain Management Section, has directed us to discontinue providing this service.

Our office is the Floodplain Map Depository for Flathead County and we track the most recent revisions to those maps. The maps are available to look at in our office and we can provide photocopies, for the standard office copy fee. We are available to discuss how the Flathead County Floodplain and Floodway Management Regulations are implemented. Visit the Floodplain Section of the Flathead County Planning & Zoning Website at www.co.flathead.mt.us for more information. Copies of Elevation Certificates are also available at our office, if the owner has submitted them. You can reach our office at (406) 751-8200 and our fax is (406) 751-8210.