FLOODING

5 THINGS TO REMEMBER ABOUT STREET FLOODING

FLOODING IS DANGEROUS!
140 PEOPLE DIE EACH YEAR FROM FLOODING.

FLOOD WATERS ARE POWERFUL!
6” OF WATER CAN KNOCK OVER AN ADULT AND STALL MOST VEHICLES.
12” FLOATS MOST VEHICLES.
24” CAN CARRY AWAY TRUCKS AND SUVS

WATER HIDES ROAD HAZARDS SUCH AS MISSING AND WASHED OUT PIECES OF ROAD.

FOLLOW DETOUR SIGNS ABOUT FLOODING. OBEY BARRICADES.

ADJUST YOUR DRIVING ON FLOODED ROADS - NO SHARP TURNS, AVOID SUDDEN BRAKING, DO NOT SPEED, DO NOT USE CRUISE CONTROL
KNOW THE DIFFERENCE

FLOOD OR FLASH FLOOD WATCH

CONDITIONS ARE RIGHT FOR A FLOOD OR FLASH FLOOD TO OCCUR IN YOUR AREA.

FLOOD OR FLASH FLOOD WARNING

FLOODING OR FLASH FLOODING IS ALREADY OCCURRING OR WILL OCCUR SOON. TAKE IMMEDIATE PRECAUTIONS!

FLOODING OCCURS FROM A RAIN EVENT LASTING A LONG PERIOD OF TIME (MULTIPLE HOURS OR DAYS), OR MAY ALSO OCCUR DUE TO DAM FAILURES AND LAKE OR RIVER OVERFLOW.

FLASH FLOODING OCCURS DURING HEAVY RAIN RESULTING IN THE RAPID FLOODING OF AREAS.

THE KEY DIFFERENCE IS THAT STANDARD FLOODING EVENTS ARE MORE GRADUAL AND MORE PREDICTABLE.

WHEN YOU SEE THAT A FLASH FLOOD WARNING HAS BEEN ISSUED, TAKE HEED! FLASH FLOODING IS THE DEADLIEST OF WEATHER-RELATED HAZARDS BECAUSE THE FORCE OF WATER IS OFTEN UNDERESTIMATED.
WHENEVER YOU ENCOUNTER HIGH WATER, AND ESPECIALLY DURING FLASH FLOOD WARNINGS, TURN AROUND DON’T DROWN.

CLICK HERE TO CHECK OUT THE NEW VIDEO RELEASED BY FEMA "WHEN THE CLOUDS FORM" TO DETERMINE IF YOU’RE PREPARED FOR A FLOOD.