Things YOU can do to reduce your flood risk

1. **Know your flood hazard.** Find out if your property is located in a flood-prone area. Go to lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: GIS). Select Floodplain-Floodprone in the “Map Layers” dropdown menu.

2. **Insure your property for your flood hazard.** Ask your insurance agent if you are covered for flood damage. Renters should buy flood insurance for their contents.

3. **Protect yourself from the hazard.** Turn around, don’t drown. Do not attempt to drive through, wade through or enter a flooded area or street.

4. **Protect your property from the hazard.** Elevate furnaces, air conditioners and other appliances above the flood level. Store valuables and important papers upstairs in a waterproof container.

5. **Build responsibly.** Obtain a permit from Building & Safety. Don’t build or grade within 10 feet from the property line so you don’t alter the drainage between homes. Use only licensed contractors who know the rules.

6. **Protect natural floodplain functions.** Do not put pollutants into streets or storm drains and maintain detention/retention areas in your neighborhood.

CITY OF LINCOLN/PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES/WATERSHED MANAGEMENT

For more information, visit: lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: FLOOD)
What does Watershed Management do for you?

- Reduces localized flooding during rainfall events by constructing flood control projects using stormwater bonds.
- Inspects construction projects for soil and erosion control to protect local waterways from contaminants.
- Offers volunteer opportunities, such as Adopt-A-Stream, where community members can actively participate in keeping our streams clean.
- Provides educational opportunities regarding water pollution prevention.
- Assists homeowners with incorporating stormwater quality projects into their landscapes through rain barrel classes and by offering cost-share programs.
- Performs stormwater monitoring to screen for evidence of pollutants or illegal dumping.
- Conducts inspections of detention/retention ponds to ensure they are performing adequately during rainfall events.
- Provides information on commons area maintenance and drainage issues.
- Participates in federal programs to provide Lincoln citizens with a discount on flood insurance premiums.

VISIT US AT LINCOLN.NE.GOV (KEYWORD: WATERSHED) OR FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK AND TWITTER!