



TOWN OF ESTES PARK

Opportunity for Free Flood Risk and Mitigation Assessment

April 11, 2016

Dear Property Owner:

The Town of Estes Park is collaborating with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) on a flood risk vulnerability study. During the week of May 9-13, 2016, the Corps' assessment team will be visiting downtown Estes Park to assess the existing flood risk and identify potential measures for reducing future flood damages. This team includes engineers and architects who will be conducting individual building flood vulnerability assessments to help identify an array of best practices for flood mitigation measures for each building. The assessments will only be conducted on buildings where permission has been granted.

We encourage you to participate in this free service so you will have the necessary information available to implement floodproofing measures in the future. Study results and building assessment recommendations for surveyed buildings are expected to be available by early 2017. Businesses are not required to implement these recommendations, but doing so can reduce flood risk, property damage from future flood events, and could be beneficial when new floodplain maps are adopted. **This is NOT a building or fire code compliance inspection** -- the Corps' team will only use the information gathered to generate floodproofing recommendations.

In order to participate, we need your permission for this team to do a visual assessment of the exterior of your primary structure (residential or commercial) and allow them to enter the ground level and any below ground areas to perform a visual flood vulnerability assessment, which will include determining the location of mechanical equipment. This will be a one-time assessment. **To participate in this assessment, please complete and return the enclosed Acceptance of Entry to Property form via email, mail or hand-delivery to the Town by Friday April 22, 2016.**

If you decide to participate, we would appreciate your willingness to be flexible about the day and time of the site assessment during the week of May 9th so that we may most effectively utilize the assessment team's visit. However, if your schedule that week necessitates a certain day and/or time for the assessment, please let us know your preferred day and/or time on the enclosed permission form in the general comments section.

We would like to invite you in a public meeting hosted by the Corps' flood assessment team on May 9, 2016, at 8:30 a.m. at Town Hall. This is an opportunity to learn more about the program and flood mitigation techniques that could be recommended for your building. This free service to our community and downtown property and business owners is valued at more than \$100,000. If you want to learn more about this study or flood mitigation in general, please visit www.estes.org/floodmitigation.

Thank you for your assistance and prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Frank Lancaster
Town Administrator

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