Many areas of San Joaquin County are protected from floods by large levees or dikes that surround local neighborhoods. If you live in one of these areas you should be prepared to evacuate your home in the unlikely event that a problem develops with your neighborhood levee and officials feel you should leave for your own safety.

Local fire and law officials have divided city neighborhoods into evacuation “zones” to help conduct emergency evacuations in an orderly manner. Officials have identified in each zone the streets that residents should use to leave as well as locations in the neighborhood where they can obtain assistance if they cannot leave quickly on their own.

Please keep the brochure with the map for your neighborhood where you can find it in an emergency. Use the map to identify your closest evacuation route, the closest location where you can get help if needed, and the radio frequencies you can listen to for additional evacuation instructions. You should also review the following additional safety information with your family.

- Listen to KFBK 1530 AM for initial warnings for your neighborhood
- Listen to other emergency radio frequencies for evacuation instructions when directed (see map)
- If forced to shelter in a building due to floodwaters, make sure you can access the roof
- Have a bright cloth or flashlight with you at all times to use to signal rescuers if necessary
- Do not drive through flooded areas. Standing water is often deeper than it looks
- Have a plan where your family will meet if separated

Federal and local officials strongly encourage residents living behind levees to obtain flood insurance.

To see all the maps, visit:
www.sjmap.org/evacmaps

For more information contact:
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Find more safety information at the following websites:
www.sjgov.org/oes
www.floodsmart.gov
www.fema.gov/plan/prepare/animals