

## FLOODING PRECAUTIONS

As we all know, there is a possibility of flooding in the Springbrook watershed each spring. Therefore, we always have to plan for the worst case scenario should a rapid thaw accompanied by rainfall lead to flooding in the City of Antigo and surrounding countryside. Here are some suggestions to ensure you are prepared before and during any local flooding.

Make plans for what you will do if you must leave your home.

- Please keep in mind that once you leave you may not be permitted to return for up to several days.
- Announcements about the flooding situation will be made via local radio, television and NOAA weather radio
- Valuables, personal items, and important papers should be removed from the home or moved to an upper level.
- Take your medications, wallet or purse, car keys, supplies for infants, other necessary medical supplies, as well as your pets.
- Do you have relatives or friends that you can stay with for a couple of days? If not, sheltering via the Red Cross (either in motels or a designated shelter) will be necessary. If shelters are opened, an announcement of their location will be made at the time of the flood.
- Make provisions for the care of your pets, as Red Cross shelters will not allow pets.
- If you are elderly or disabled and need assistance please contact Katie Frisch, the Langlade County Emergency Government Coordinator at 627-6257

Volunteers will be needed!! Please follow these instructions:

- Report to the City Fire Station to be logged in and assigned duties
- There is plenty of parking around City Hall. Parking is also available at the Langlade County Court House, 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue Municipal Lot, and the streets in the area.
- Volunteers will be transported to assigned areas.
- When volunteers are finished working, they will be transported back to their vehicles at the Fire Station and logged out.
- These procedures will enable emergency personnel to keep track of volunteers and the hours worked for possible Wisconsin Disaster Fund applications
- If you volunteer to sandbag, please wear appropriate clothing including sturdy shoes and gloves.

If you require sandbags within the city, please call the City Street Department at 623-4754. Your name and location will be acquired and sandbags will be delivered to your City address.