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## Dear Property Owner:

Please be advised that the current preliminary revision to the Federal Insurance Rate Maps, FIRM, dated December 24, 1997, shows that a portion of your lot, or the complete property, is located in the floodway. By definition, a floodway is the waterway and those portions of the floodplain which must be reserved in order to discharge the base flood elevation without cumulatively increasing the water surface elevation more than one (1) foot at any point.

Travis County Regulations for Floodplain Management and Guidelines and Procedures for Development Permits state, "All development shall be prohibited in the floodway except for special uses such as bridges, culverts, and other public crossings; and dams, levees and other waterway improvement structures consistent with general floodplain management policies of the County." Travis County Transportation and Natural Resources Department will therefore be unable to issue development permits to construct new improvements or make repairs to existing structures if the repairs cost more than 50% of the value of the existing structures. I encourage you to examine the attached information and to consider taking advantage of the possible opportunity to sell your property at fair market value to Travis County if funds became available.

Please do not hesitate to call me or Ms. Mercedes Garcia at 473-9383 if you have questions about the attached information.

Sincerely,

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Div. Dir. Planning and Engineering Services

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Reference: Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, (HMGP)

Dear Property Owner:

Travis County Commissioners' Court is considering applying for Federal funds available through the HMGP. If funding is approved, and depending on your participation, we would use these funds to purchase properties, from property owners who volunteer to sell their property at fair market value which are repeatedly damaged by flood waters. If you are interested in participation in this program, complete the forms provided and submit any other information requested. The numbers on your address label are in reference to the parcel id. number of your property.

Enclosed is a property owner package:

- \* Disaster Victim Information Needs;
- Disaster Victim Inventory Checklist;
- \* Privacy Act Statement;
- \* Property Owner Change of Address Form;
- \* Property Appraisal Permission and Release;
- \* Property Description and Damaged Report; and
- \* Duplication of Benefits Certification

One property owner package is being sent for each property that you own. Please complete the forms and submit them to the address shown above. The last day to submit the completed package is February 26,1999.

At this time the Travis County Commissioner's are only considering applying for these funds. They will make a decision on whether or not to apply for the funds based in part upon the response received from property owners.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 473-9383. Se habla español.

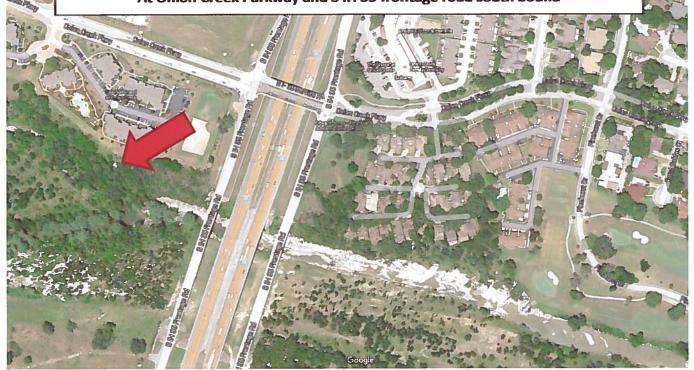
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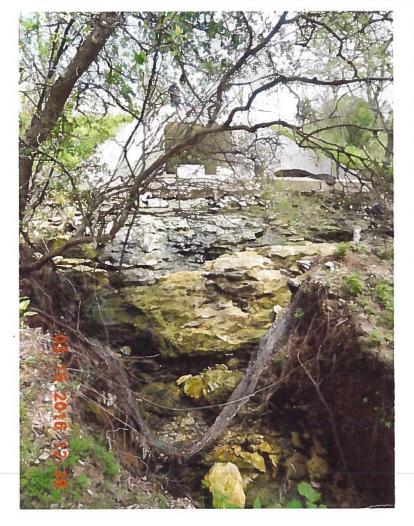
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Engineering Associate II/Flood Plain Administrator

## **Onion Creek Water Culvert**

Behind Colonial Grand at Onion Creek
At Onion Creek Parkway and S IH 35 frontage road south bound







Red Arrow is where the Water Culvert is draining into Onion Creek immediately upstream of our neighborhood.

