

Flood 2008 Buyout Update

The Buyout Application was sent to FEMA on November 2, 2010.

I am anxiously waiting for them to reply.

Nothing is needed from the homeowners at this point!

Mercer County Hazard Mitigation Plan: The plan has been accepted by FEMA and at this time all the municipalities must adopt the Mercer County Multi-jurisdictional Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan. The City of Keithsburg adopted the Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan at the June 14, 2010 council meeting.

Getting this mitigation plan approved by FEMA, Mercer County and the Municipalities is getting us that much closer to being able to *apply* to FEMA and IEMA for funds for a buyout. As I have told everyone in the past there is *no guarantee* that a buyout will happen, but getting the hazard mitigation plan approved was a big step in finally finding out one way or another.

If everyone will just sit tight and be patient I will try and keep this information updated on the Keithsburg homepage and posted at city hall. Please no phone calls!!

I know this has been a terrible heartache to all the homeowners that was affected by the 2008 flood and I appreciate everybody being so patient through this process; however we have to follow the guidelines set by our federal government in hopes to have a positive outcome for everyone involved.

Terri Gibson
City Clerk