For Immediate Release City of Fallon vswirczek@fallonnevada.gov (775) 423-3040



City of Fallon Leads Flood Mitigation Efforts

FALLON, Nev. (Feb. 24, 2017)—TCID, BOR, Churchill County, and the City of Fallon are collaborating on flood mitigation efforts and information, in an effort to provide the most current information to the public.

Lahontan Dam is an earth-filled embankment structure on the Carson River near Fallon. The Dam, completed in 1915, is in very good condition and may be expected to perform well during the up-coming spring run-off season or a seismic event.

Precautionary draw down of Lahontan Reservoir is in-progress. Water is currently being released through the Carson River and increased flows are expected. Visit <u>www.msc.fema.gov</u> to view flood plain maps. All property owners and farms in the Carson River corridor are advised that these releases will most likely continue into the early to mid-summer and may cause disruptions to land use. An emergency safety spill is being installed on the V-Line Canal which will be used to release water onto federal land south of Sheckler Reservoir. This new safety spill will provide added safety to the more densely populated areas. This water is expected to reach Hwy 95 and may cross Hwy 95 after the V-Line release point becomes operational. It could affect properties in the Carson Lake area.

For all persons interested in obtaining Whole-Farm Revenue Protection (WFRP) or residential flood insurance, very important eligibility deadlines will apply, including the effective date of coverage. We encourage you to contact an insurance carrier of your own choosing immediately for further information. The USDA RMA website contains information and agents for farm insurance programs.

If you need additional information, contact the Emergency Operations Center between 9AM and 3PM at 775-423-1201.

###