

COMMUNITY LETTERHEAD

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Address Line 1

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Dear _____ :

(jurisdiction) is in the process of applying for federal funds to conduct a flood buyout program. Since your property located at (jurisdiction) is floodprone and was damaged by recent flooding, it may be eligible for the buyout project.

Enclosed is a non-binding Voluntary Transaction Agreement. If you are interested in participating in the buyout project, please sign and return this document. Please note, by signing this document, you are not required to sell your property or participate in the buyout project. This is only a preliminary effort to determine initial interest.

The residents of the (jurisdiction) will *in no way* be required to sell their property against their wishes. They must be fully willing to sell their flood damaged properties *voluntarily* to (jurisdiction). Moreover, (jurisdiction) government simply *cannot and will not* use the power of eminent domain to acquire flood damaged properties under a voluntary flood buyout program of this nature. Residents *will not* be making any obligation to sell their property by virtue of filling out and returning the enclosed *Voluntary Transaction Agreement*. Likewise, (jurisdiction) request for an expression of resident interest in participating in a voluntary flood buyout *should not be construed as an obligation* on the part of the City of Floods to buy property at this time.

Please call _____ at _____ if you have any questions.

Sincerely,