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Homes Near Desert Rose Golf Course Set to Be Removed from Flood Zone Effective September 22, 2016

Recent flood control improvements have prompted federal officials to revise flood zone maps affecting approximately 1,400 parcels around the Club at Sunrise Golf Course, formerly known as the Desert Rose Golf Course. These changes take effect September 22, 2016, pending appeals. The flood insurance map revisions were made by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), the regulatory body that oversees the National Flood Insurance Program. The revisions were prompted by a request from Clark County to reflect the benefit of recently completed drainage facilities.

This map revision is the direct result of a team effort consisting of Clark County, the City of Las Vegas and Clark County Regional Flood Control District to complete the \$58 million reconstruction of the Club at Sunrise Golf Course to increase the capacity for the Las Vegas Wash and the Flamingo Wash as they flow through the site. These facilities were funded by a ¼ cent sales tax levied within Clark County.

The revisions to the map result in a reduction in the Special Flood Hazard Area, which allows for the removal of the federal requirement to purchase flood insurance. The Special Flood Hazard Area is the area inundated by the 100-year flood (flood with a 1% annual chance of occurring in any given year). Note that flood insurance is available to anyone in Clark County regardless of whether the parcel is located in a Special Flood Hazard Area or not. Residents in the affected area may choose to continue to purchase flood insurance at a substantially reduced rate. Flood insurance may still be a good choice for everyone to protect their home or business. Information on factors to consider when deciding to buy flood insurance can be found at www.floodsmart.com

For more information about flood zone status, go to the Regional Flood Control District's website at www.regionalflood.org.