Department of Public Works

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS REGARDING FLOODING

How can I dispose of materials damaged by flood waters?

If your home is in the area adjacent to Lincoln Park, Island Park or along Park View Drive and was flooded by the Root River, place water damaged materials at your curb line. The Department of Public Works will patrol the area to collect these materials in addition to your normal solid waste collection.

I have washers /dryers or other electrical appliances damaged by the flood. How do I dispose of this material?

If your home is in the above described flood area, place water damaged items at the curb line for collection by the Department of Public Works.

My basement is full of water and I don't have a means of removing it. What can I do?

Contact the Department of Public Works at 636-9126. Once the flood waters begin to recede the Department of Public Works will pump water out of the basement allowing you to begin the cleaning process.

I need to have the power shut off to the home to facilitate repairs. Who do I call?

Contact WE Energies Electric at 1-800-662-4797

I need to have the gas service shut off to the home. Who do I call?

Contact WE Energies Gas at 1-800-261-5325

When should I utilize 911?

You should utilize the 911 Center if experiencing an issue aside from cleanup or a question on when to return to your home. These include medical emergencies, incidents of fire, known hazardous materials, or a request for the Police Department.

What if there are electrical wires arcing either on the pole or on my home?

Call 911 immediately and stay away from the immediate area. The Fire Department will dispatch a fire rig and contact WE Energies.

Is it safe to go into the water with watercraft?

No. Based on the unknown currents and objects under the water it is unsafe. The Fire Department may not have the ability to reach you in time should you attempt this. This includes the dam area as well as the waterway up and down stream.

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The following are guidelines for the period following a flood:

- Contact your healthcare provider if you are injured while exposed to flood water. You may need a tetanus shot or other medical attention.
- Stay away from downed power lines, and report them to the power company.
- Return home only when authorities indicate it is safe.
- Stay out of any building if it is surrounded by floodwaters.
- Use extreme caution when entering buildings; there may be hidden damage, particularly in foundations.
- If using a portable generator, keep it outside and far away from the building. The exhaust or fumes can be dangerous.
- Protect yourself while cleaning water damaged homes. Wear work boots, eye and hand protection and, if working with mold, respiratory protection.
- Prevent mold growth by removing standing water as quickly as possible. Remove and discard porous materials that cannot be dried in 48 hours. This includes carpeting, drywall and other building materials affected by flood waters.
- Use dehumidifiers, fans, and air conditioners to assist with ventilation and the drying process. Weather permitting, open windows.
- Clean and disinfect everything that got wet. Mud left from floodwater can contain sewage and chemicals.
- If you hire cleanup or repair contractors, be sure they are qualified to do the job. Check references.
- Eliminate stagnant or standing water in and around your home (flower pots, buckets, clogged rain gutters, wading pools, bird baths, tires, etc.). This water can provide a place for mosquitoes to lay eggs.

Contact the City of Racine Health Department for more information at 636-9203 or visit their website at http://www.cityofracine.org/Depts/health/Environmental.aspx

Contact the health department for a free copy of **Repairing Your Flooded Home**

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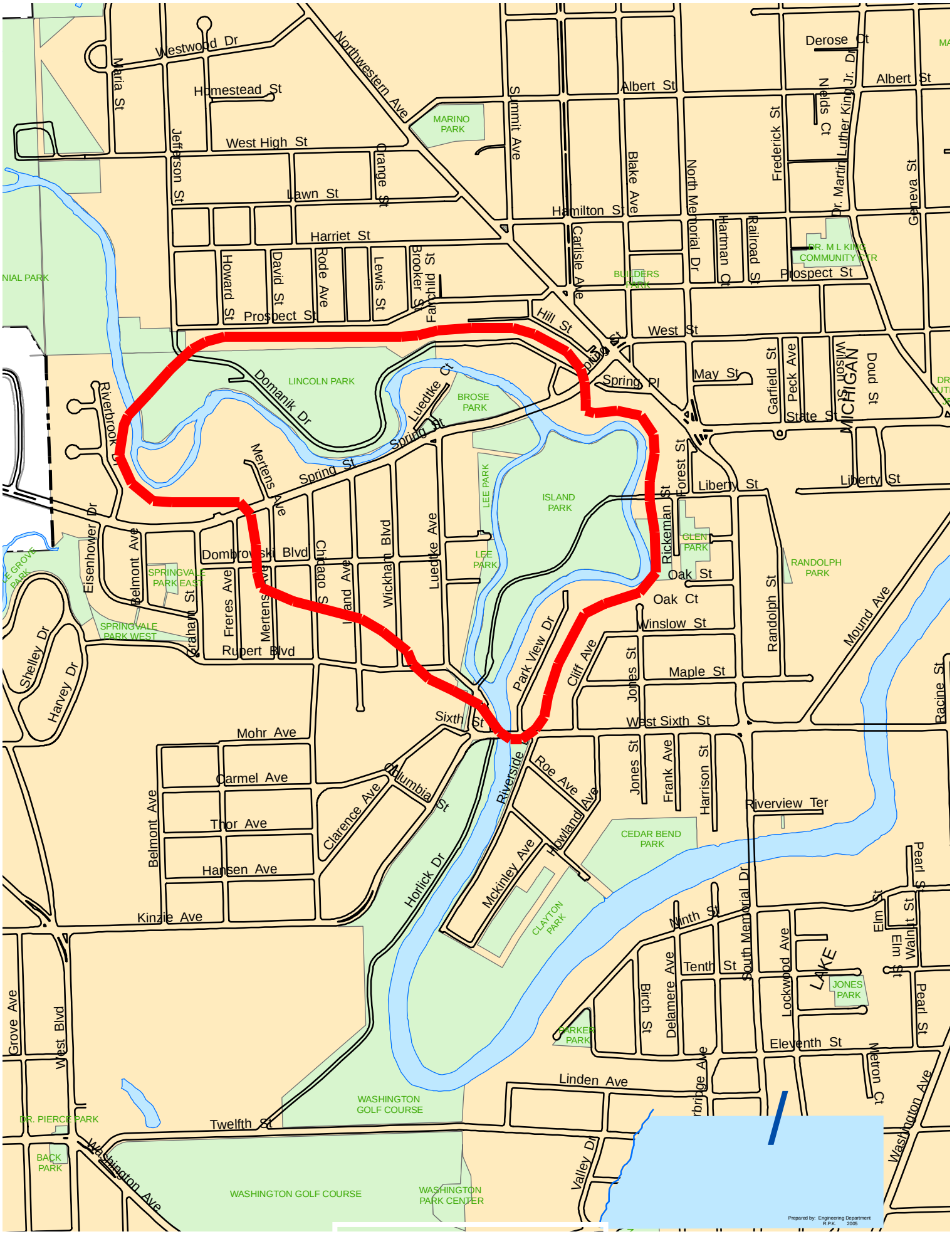
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