

September 1, 2017- Municipal District Services, LLC would first like to extend its deepest sympathies to all those affected by Hurricane Harvey and its ongoing aftermath. Municipal District Services is committed to the safety and quality of the water services. We are working hard to continually maintain the facilities (wells, water plants and sewage treatment plants) to ensure that you have service. The drinking water in the districts we serve is safe for consumption. Please see the following tips below to help you after a flood.

After a flood (taken from www.ready.gov/floods)

- Return home only when authorities say it is safe.
- Check for structural damage before going inside.
- If it's dark, use a flashlight – not matches, a candle or a lighter.
- Be aware of areas where floodwaters have receded and watch out for debris. Floodwaters often erode roads and walkways.
- Do not attempt to drive through areas that are still flooded.
- Avoid standing water as it may be electrically charged from underground or downed power lines.
- Photograph damage to your property for insurance purposes.
- Take inventory of damaged or destroyed items – again, to expedite your claim.
- Report your claim to your insurance agent or company as soon as possible.
- Begin initial cleanup as soon as waters recede, separating damaged from undamaged items.
- Clean and disinfect everything that got wet.
- When cleaning, wear a mask, gloves and coveralls to minimize exposure to possible hazardous materials.
- Mold can be a hazardous result from a flood. Consider a professional service that specializes in post-flood cleanup.
- Once you've gathered documentation about your damage and your insurance coverage, contact your insurance company or agent.

Links to other helpful tips:

<http://abc13.com/what-to-do-after-your-home-floods/2355442/>

<https://www.houselogic.com/finances-taxes/home-insurance/what-do-first-24-hours-after-flood/>

<http://www.floodsafety.com/national/property/cleanup/>