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1. If advised to evacuate, do so without hesitation.
2. Prepare now so you can leave immediately.
3. Make your plans now with all members of the family, so that each person knows what he is to do in case of flood.
4. Move important things -- food, furniture, rugs, appliances, clothing, and machinery, livestock, feed, grain, and irrigation pipe to higher ground.
5. Don't forget the "can't do without" things of your family -- medications, spectacles, diet foods, and proper clothing.
6. Collect valuables -- legal papers and sentimental treasures.
7. Remove motors or controls from electrically powered equipment.
8. Turn off all electric service at each building and at the meter pole.
9. If you are going to remove your domestic water pump, first fill all portions of the water system, tanks and pipes with clean water and cap all openings.
10. Seal the well, this will not keep contamination out, but will help to keep silt and debris out of the well.
11. Turn off all gas appliances and also close shut off valves at storage tanks.
12. If you have experienced other floods, you are aware of the mud and debris that can collect in a basement. You can help keep your basement cleaner if you will flood it with clean water before the flood hits.
13. Move irrigation and other power units to higher ground. If this cannot easily be done, remove radiators, air cleaners and carburetors and seal all openings to prevent the entrance of water. Fill the oil reservoirs on engines or pumps. Plug the breathers. Caution: Remove all plugs before using equipment. Remove all belts and chains.
14. Plug the irrigation pump discharge.
15. All bearings on equipment should be filled with fresh lubricant. Do not overfill sealed bearings -- see Operators Manual. All open bearings should have some lubricant forced out of the bearing. Re-lubricate before use.
16. All open gears, sprockets, pulleys, and wearing or cutting surfaces should be protected with a proper lubricant or rust preventive. Remove all lubricant or preventive before use.
17. Leave building doors and windows open to help prevent flood water from shifting them from foundations.
18. Evaluate your own situation. It may be possible for you to remove low land fences, tie down boards, log piles, irrigation pipe, or secure any loose materials that could move with the flood waters.

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