The major river reaches that are monitored for flooding include: • Upper Puyallup River above McMillan • Lower Puyallup River below McMillan • White River–Sumner Reach • White River–Town of Greenwater Reach • Carbon River/South Prairie Creek • Upper Nisqually River above Alder Lake • Middle Nisqually below Alder Lake River flood stages are classified by four phases based on the amount of water flow in cubic feet per second (CFS).

**Phase I: No Flooding Flow** is within the channel but at elevated flow stages. There is no flooding over the banks.

**Phase II: Minor Flooding Flow** is at the top of banks or slightly above banks. Low-lying areas may flood.

**Phase III: Moderate Flooding Flow** is at the top of banks or overtopping in some areas, with flooding of adjacent residences and roads. Dangerous high-flow velocity with debris conditions exist and erosion potential is high. Upper Puyallup River - Above McMillan Lower Puyallup River - Below McMillan Upper Nisqually River - Above Alder Lake 1 Carbon River/South Prairie Creek 2 3 4 White River - Sumner Reach

5 Upper White River - Greenwater Reach 6 Middle Nisqually River - Below Alder Lake 7 5 5 16 16 507 410 165 410 Tacoma Gig Harbor Lakewood Dupont Roy Fife Sumner Buckley Orting Eatonville Elbe McKenna 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 Pierce County Green Water 7 Puyallup 512 162 7 162 702 161 410 PIERCE COUNTY RIVER AREAS MONITORED FOR FLOODING 4

**Phase IV: Severe Flooding Flow** is at or above the banks with flooding of adjacent structures and roads. Residents may experience severe flooding, dangerous high-flow velocity, debris flow and severe erosion.

Also see the Internet Resource Guide on page 19 for Web sites with additional weather and flood information. If you do not have access to a computer, call the Pierce County Flood Information Line at 253-798-4274 for updated flood information or to report a flooding problem. Call 253-798-2725 to request a free Flood Information Line refrigerator magnet. Local television and radio stations and NOAA weather radios also provide frequent updates on flood conditions