



February 7, 2005

Dear

Re: Lifting of Evacuation Orders – February 2, 2005

Based on the District's geotechnical consultants' recommendation, the evacuation order was lifted for your residence. This was a result of several inspections and short term remedial measures implemented between January 19 and February 2, 2005.

Our consultants stated that while the headscarp area of the January 19, 2005 landslide remains unstable, no new evidence of slope instability or destabilizing conditions was observed outside of the immediate headscarp area of the January 19th event. This includes the top of slope along Berkley Avenue as well as the toe of slope along Chapman Way and Treetop Lane. Temporary measures are in place along Berkley Avenue to prevent most runoff reaching the January 19th landslide headscarp. In addition, rainfall has been generally light for approximately 10 days.

Based on the above observations, our consultants considered the landslide risk to several Area 1 residences no more or less significant than elsewhere in the Riverside Drive to Berkley Avenue area. While continued evacuation orders no longer could be justified, it is important to understand that this recommendation by our consultants was based on relative risk and it applies to short term only. Continued geotechnical assessment designed to facilitate more rigorous assessment in the medium to long terms will be necessary.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'JR' or similar initials.

James Ridge
Chief Administrative Officer

