



Irving Flood Control District Section III Frequently-asked Questions

What is the Irving Flood Control District Section III?

The Irving Flood Control District Section III, also known as IFCD 3, is a publicly funded, citizen-led political subdivision responsible for flood control facilities and operations in the Valley Ranch community within the City of Irving, Texas.

What are the responsibilities of IFCD 3?

IFCD 3 provides flood control and storm water management services for the citizens of Valley Ranch. The District oversees construction and maintenance of the levee, storm water pump station, canals, ponds and other storm drainage management facilities to protect residents, businesses and their respective assets from the impact of flood-related water damage.

Why is a flood control district needed in Valley Ranch?

IFCD 3 was formed by the Texas State Legislature in 1983 for the purpose of providing and maintaining necessary flood control and drainage facilities to remove the District area from the 100-year floodplain of the Elm Fork of the Trinity River. IFCD 3 provides for the creation, operations and maintenance of facilities that help protect people and property assets in Valley Ranch from flood damage. Additionally, because the need to control potential flooding in Valley Ranch is not a citywide issue for the City of Irving, forming a separate entity to address the need is most appropriate, aligning the investment with the beneficiaries.

What are the physical boundaries of the IFCD 3?

IFCD 3 is responsible for flood control in the Valley Ranch Community. The District is bordered by Belt Line Rd. and LBJ Freeway on the north and south, and between the City's recently extended Sam Houston Trail Park and North Lake on the east and west. To view a map showing the area protected by IFCD 3, visit the Our Service Area section.

How is IFCD 3 governed?

IFCD 3 is a professionally managed and community centric governmental body led by a 5 member appointed board of directors who are citizens and property owners of Valley Ranch. Board members are named by the Irving City Council to serve the Valley Ranch Community. Each member serves a two-year term and may be reappointed for consecutive terms.

How is IFCD 3 funded?

As a publicly funded governmental body, the operating budget of IFCD 3 is funded by residential and commercial taxpayers in the Valley Ranch Community. Funds for underwriting IFCD 3 operations are included on the annual tax bills for all Valley Ranch property owners by the Dallas County Tax Assessor.

How is IFCD 3 spending my tax dollars?

The board of directors of IFCD 3 is committed to protecting Valley Ranch citizens and property owners and to being a good steward of tax dollars. The board uses responsible spending practices for flood control projects and operations.

To learn exactly how IFCD 3 is allocating revenue, visit the News and Information section and click on Financials

Who is DCURD and why does IFCD 3 work with them?

IFCD 3 has engaged the Dallas County Utility and Reclamation District (DCURD) to provide maintenance and operations. DCURD is a local governmental body responsible for constructing, maintaining and operating certain infrastructure and amenity elements within the Las Colinas development in Irving. Working with DCURD significantly improves project efficiency and reduces operational costs, enabling IFCD 3 to save money and preserve your tax dollars.

Who do I contact to report a problem concerning the IFCD 3 flood prevention system?

If you see an issue that needs immediate attention, such as a problem in a pond or canal, call 972-556-0625. If the situation is an emergency, please dial 911 and report the information to City of Irving police or fire officials.

Are board meetings open to the public?

The board members generally meet each month at the VRA offices (8830 N. MacArthur Blvd., Suite 101 Irving, TX 75063). Please visit the News and Information section and click Meeting Schedule to view our meeting schedule. Valley Ranch citizens and property owners are welcome to attend and encouraged to ask questions and share their views. Meeting dates, times, locations and agendas are posted in compliance with state law. All meetings are open to the public in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act.