**Drainage Systems Require Maintenance**

Lee County has a system of canals, ditches, and waterways that serve to direct the flow of floodwater. It is most important that these elements of the floodwater drainage system be kept clear of debris and trash that could impede the flow of water during a flood situation.

To report drainage problems in incorporated areas call your city Public Works. In unincorporated Lee County, call Lee County DOT at 239-533-9400 or email rfa@leegov.com. After 5:30 pm and on weekends call 239-533-3626.

Dumping of debris and trash in the drainage system or alteration of the channels is prohibited. Violators should be reported to law enforcement or public works officials.

Call Lee County Community Development at 239-533-8597 for help in identifying and examining different ways to retrofit an existing building and advice on siting and building new structures.

Further information on flood mitigation techniques can be found at the website for the Federal Emergency Management Agency: [www.fema.gov/hazus/prevent-disaster-losses](http://www.fema.gov/hazus/prevent-disaster-losses).