**Trends in Flood Damages**

- $6 billion annually
- Four-fold increase from early 1900s
- Per Capita Damages increased by more than a factor of 2.5 in the previous century in real dollar terms

![Graph showing flood damages over decades]

**Today’s Floodplain Is Not Necessarily Tomorrow's Floodplain**

If large areas of the floodplain are filled, then there will be an increase in the land area needed to store flood waters. This means your home or business may be impacted.