**Guided Notes: Flood Mitigation Options**

Flood mitigation techniques are strategies used to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the movement of floodwaters.

**Key Concepts:**

• Floods are the number one \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the United States.

• About \_\_\_% of flood insurance claims come from areas of low to moderate flood risk.

• Just \_\_\_ inches of water can result in over $11,000 worth of damage.

• Homeowners can protect their properties by:

- Elevating the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

- Relocating furnaces, water heaters, and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ panels

- Installing \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ valves

- Sealing walls in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

- Using \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

• Cities can implement flood mitigation through:

- Building \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

- Creating \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ spaces

- Improving \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ systems

• The federal government assists with flood mitigation through agencies like:

- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), which manages about \_\_\_\_\_ dams

- Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), which works on solutions like flood \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Real World Examples:**

1. A coastal town using seawalls to protect from ocean storm surges

2. A city creating more parks and green spaces to absorb excess rainwater runoff from paved areas

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natural disaster

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basement

sandbags

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floodwalls

green

drainage

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