### **BE CLIMATE SMART!**

PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY AND **BELONGINGS IN EXTREME WEATHER** 



# **1ORE DAY** RAIN

### WEATHER PATTERNS ARE CHANGING CANADA GETS 20 MORE DAYS OF RAIN

NOW THAN IT DID IN THE 1950s."

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On July 8, 2013, more than 90 mm of rain fell in Toronto in two hours (the region's average for the entire month of July is 75 mm). The resulting insurance claims of \$850m made it one of the country's most costly natural disasters.



WATER DAMAGE IS A SIGNIFICANT CHALLENGE FOR MUNICIPALITIES, INSURERS, BROKERS AND CUSTOMERS.

THE COST OF NATURAL DISASTERS HAS RISEN 14X.\*

In 2013 alone, severe weather events cost the Canadian insurance industry \$3.2 billion in insured losses—the highest in Canadian history.

\*Amber Hildebrandt (June 28, 2013). "Calgary floods spotlight cities" costly failure to plan for climate change: Municipalities not ready for rising number of severe weather events." CBC News.

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Extreme temperatures, heat waves and heavy precipitation events will become more frequent and severe throughout all of Canada over the next 50 years.

## PRFVFNTIC

#### YOU CAN TAKE STEPS TO KEEP YOUR LOSSES DOWN, AND WE'RE HERE TO HELP.



Keep roofs and eavestroughs in good condition.



Know where your

shut-off valves are.



New hot-water tanks and sump pumps can improve energy efficiency.



TALK WITH YOUR **BROKER ABOUT** WAYS TO STAY CLIMATE SMART.

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