Florence sees periodic severe floods from nearby Cottonwood River and Doyle Creek to the east and south. The June 1906 photo below shows flooding at the Florence Hotel, which was located at 5th and Main Streets. Flood depths on Main St. went up to 3 feet during that event.

This sign is in a leveed area. Levees reduce flood risk but do not eliminate it. For depths up to 3 feet, buildings can be flood proofed, and similar measures will diversify a property owner’s resiliency to flood hazards. Learn about your levee’s flood risk at https://levees.sec.usace.army.mil. Learn more about your city’s flood history and how measures like flood insurance can lower your flood risk at the Kansas web link, below.

Driving into floodwater is the number one cause of flood related deaths in Kansas. Do not drive into flooded areas!