#7: HAVE A SAFE SITE AND ESCAPE ROUTE
Choose a safe location for your house, but even if you can’t choose there are things you can do.

**HAVE AN ESCAPE PLAN**
Ensure safe escape from the site. Have a preparedness plan.

**CHOOSE A SAFE SITE**
Avoid flood prone areas, like the bottom of valleys or near river beds.

- Don’t build on steep slopes.
- Look for landslide signs (cracks, fallen trees)
- Remove damaged buildings first.

**MAKE YOUR SITE SAFER**
Ensure proper drainage of the site.

- Plant retaining vegetation on the slope above.

**POSITION YOUR HOUSE SAFELY**
Keep a safe distance between your house and retaining walls.

- Keep away from cliffs.