

EMD BULLETIN



Emergency Management Department

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FLASH FLOOD WATCHES FOR THE STATION, SAYRE, SESNON AND MAREK FIRE AREAS BULLETIN #3 – 1600 HOURS

WEATHER

Flash Flood Watches have been issued for the Station, Sesnon, Sayre and Marek burn areas from this evening through Wednesday afternoon. Rainfall amounts of 1.5 to 4 inches are expected in these areas. Today will be showery in nature as the warm, moist southwest flow interacts with the abundant moisture that has lingered in the area. Showers should turn to rain, heavy at times, after 5:00 p.m. The National Weather Service's Quantitative Precipitation Forecast (QPF) shows Pacoima Dam receiving 0.4 inches between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., 0.7 inches between 5:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m. and 0.9 inches between 11:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. tomorrow morning. The area could get another 1 inch of rain beyond this. These numbers can swing either way, depending on the positioning of the storm spinning off of Eureka. A lift northward will kill the southern end of the storm. A dip southward will bring heavy activity to the area.

ROAD CLOSURES

The Los Angeles County Department of Public Works has announced that due to forecasted rain, and in coordination with the US Forest Service (USFS), it has closed all public access to all County roads within the Station Fire burn area as of Monday, October 12th. The closures will remain in place for at least 48 hours. The closures follow a decision by the US Forest Service to issue voluntary evacuation notices to its staff and USFS lessees, and to move its fire-fighting equipment from mountain fire stations to the foothills.

As a result, the Angeles Forest Highway, Big Tujunga Canyon Road, and Upper Big Tujunga Canyon Road, will be closed to all traffic except emergency vehicles and L.A. County Department of Public Works (DPW) personnel. **Residents living in the burn areas will not be permitted to use the roads until the closure is lifted.** Residents are urged to continue to monitor news broadcasts, or visit the CARE website at www.dpwcare.org for further updates. For more information on road closures visit the Los Angeles County Department of Public works at <http://dpw.lacounty.gov/> or call (800) 214-4020.

SANDBAGS AND SAND

About the Emergency Management Department (EMD)

The Emergency Management Department was established by ordinance in 2000 by the City Council and Mayor. EMD is dedicated to leading the City in comprehensive emergency management including: planning, mitigation, preparation, response to and recovery from natural, manmade and accidental incidents of high consequence.

Sand and sandbags are available at the following locations:

- Fire Station 7, 14123 Nordhoff Street, Arleta
- Fire Station 24, 9411 Wentworth St., Sunland
- Fire Station 75, 15345 San Fernando Mission, Mission Hills
- Fire Station 77, 9224 Sunland Blvd, Sunland
- Fire Station 91, 14430 Polk St., Sylmar
- Fire Station 98, 13035 Van Nuys Blvd, Pacoima
- Olive View Hospital (at the old Fire Station)
- Riverwood Community Center at the Conover Fire Road
- Council District 2 Office, 7747 Foothill Boulevard, Tujunga
- Oakridge Mobile Home Park, 15455 Glen Oaks Blvd, Sylmar
- Veteran's Park, 13000 Sayre St., Sylmar

The Bureau of Street Services also offers free sand and sandbags. Residents must fill the sandbags themselves. Shovels are available at the yard. The maximum number of bags per resident is 25. Yard hours of operations are 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Information is also available by calling (213) 473-8410, the 3-1-1 operator or by visiting www.lacity.org/booss/resurfacing/storm.html

In the impacted area sandbags are available at:

East Yard	Granada Hills	Canoga Park	Sunland Yard
452 San Fernando Rd.	10210 Etiwanda Ave.	7453 Canoga Ave.	9401 Wentworth St.
(213) 485-5667	(818) 756-8728	(818) 756-8728	(81) 756-9612

Information is also available at:

- UpdateLA (<http://www.updatela.com/>)
- ReadyLA (<http://www.readyla.org/>),
- Twitter (<http://twitter.com/readyla>),
- Facebook (<http://www.facebook.com/readyla>),
- National Weather Service Forecast Office (<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/lox/main.php?suite=public>)
- Los Angeles County Department of Public Works (<http://dpw.lacounty.gov/>)
- National Weather Service Forecast Office (<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/lox/main.php?suite=public>).