



MEDIA ADVISORY



City of Los Angeles Emergency Management Department

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

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UPDATED 1700 HOURS

CITY OF LOS ANGELES LIFTS EVACUATION ORDERS FOR SELECTED HOMES IN THE BIG TUNJUNGA CANYON AND HAINES CANYON AREAS

The City of Los Angeles has lifted evacuation orders for residents in the Big Tujunga Canyon and Haines Canyon. All residents have been allowed to return to their homes.

The City has also closed the following evacuation shelters:

FOR RESIDENTS AND SMALL ANIMALS:

- Sunland Tujunga Recreation Center
8651 Foothill Boulevard
Sunland, Ca, 91040
Phone: (818) 352-5282

FOR LARGE ANIMALS:

- Pierce College
6201 Winnetka Ave
Woodland Hills, Ca 91371-0002
Phone: (818) 347-0313

The Los Angeles City Fire, the Los Angeles City Police Department, and the Los Angeles City Emergency Management Department will continue to:

- Monitor current weather, debris and water flow in the trouble areas
- Provide for the safety of the public while keeping them informed with timely and accurate information.
- Organize timely evacuation of citizens in threatened communities if required.
- Provide security of evacuated communities as needed.
- Provide traffic control for all affected areas and street closures.
- Minimize damage to the natural resource areas.

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Evacuations

Sandbags are available at the following locations:

- Fire Station 24, 9411 Wentworth Street, Sunland, CA 91040 (Sand Depot)
 - Fire Station 75, 15345 San Fernando Mission, Mission Hills, CA 91345
 - Fire Station 77, 9224 Sunland Blvd., Sunland, CA 91352 (Sand Depot)
 - Fire Station 91, 14430 Polk Street, Sylmar, CA 91342 (Sand Depot) (Sylmar Recreation Center adjacent to Fire Station 91)
 - Fire Station 98, 13035 Van Nuys Blvd, Pacoima, CA 91331(Sand Depot)
 - Fire Station 7, 14123 Nordhoff Street, Arleta, CA 91042
 - Olive View Hospital, 14445 Olive View Drive, Sylmar, CA 91342
 - Knollwood Country Club, 12040 Balboa Boulevard Granada Hills, CA 91344
 - Council District 2 Office, 7747 Foothill Boulevard, Tujunga, CA 91042
- Contact: Pat Davenport, Field Aide - Cell 818-324-4324

A town hall meeting will be held tonight, December 7, 2009, to address the concerns of residents living in burn areas who are at risk of being impacted by debris flow and flooding due to the recent Sayre, Sesnon-Marek, and Station Fires. The location of the town hall meeting is:

**December 7, 2009, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Sheppard of the Hills Church
19700 Rinaldi Street, Porter Ranch, Ca, 91326**

Further updates will be available at:

- Emergency Management Information Helpline (800) 439-2909
- www.ReadyLA.org
- www.updatela.org
- <http://emergency.lacity.org/>
- <http://twitter.com/readyla>
- <http://www.facebook.com/readyla>
- <https://www.lafcu.org/>
- <http://dpw.lacounty.gov/CARE/>
- 311 or (213) 485-2121

About the Emergency Management Department

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.