



PRESS INFORMATION

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DOUGLAS COUNTY PREPARES FOR FLOOD

Minden, Nevada – The National Weather Service has issued a flood watch for Douglas County from late Saturday night January 7, 2017 through Monday morning January 9, 2017. Douglas County Emergency Management is preparing for changing flood conditions and the safety of Douglas County residents.

Currently the East Fork Fire Protection District, serving as Douglas County Emergency Management under contract, Douglas County Sheriff's Office, Douglas County Road Department, Tahoe Douglas Fire Protection District and several other entities, including the Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California, are working together, and staying in close communication with the National Weather Service and Nevada Division of Emergency Management to monitor changing conditions.

Residents should be advised that weather conditions can change quickly. Douglas County Emergency Management is advising residents to be prepared with a 72 hour kit, which can include extra water, a three day food supply, a flashlight with batteries, a first aid kit, and an AM/FM radio. Please check <http://www.nevadafloods.org/> for more flood safety precautions.

Sand bags are available for self-filling at the following sites and are fill your own sites:

Sheridan Fire Station

980 Sheridan Lane

Sand is located behind the station in the upper parking area

Genoa Fire Station

2298 Main Street

Sand is located behind the station in the upper parking area

Jacks Valley Fire Station

3450 Jacks Valley Road

Sand is located in the front parking lot, east side of station

Johnson Lane Fire Station

1450 Stephanie Lane

Sand is located in parking lot, west side of station

Fish Springs Fire Station

2249 Fish Springs Road

Sand is located in parking lot rear of building

Ruhenstroth Fire Station

2008 Pinto Circle

Sand is located in lower parking lot, west side of building

Topaz Ranch Estates Community Center

4001 Carter Drive

Sand is located in front parking lot

Fire District Warehouse

941 Mitch Drive

Sand is located front parking lot, north side

Zephyr Cove Park

Hwy 50 and Warrior Way

Sand is located at the upper parking lot

Click on the link to view which location is closest to you:

<http://douglasnvgis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/View/index.html?appid=3314cb99312b420a80372c7852764fa9>

Please register your cell phone for Reverse 911. During natural disasters such as flooding your cell phone will receive text alerts. You can register by going to:

<https://douglascounty.onthealert.com>

Flood safety tips:

- Never drive through flooded areas, a few feet of water and a little current will take control of your vehicle.
- Never walk through standing water without a probing device, make sure the ground is intact.
- Avoid contact with water, do not drink it. The water will contain hazardous materials and or disease.
- Avoid parking near streams, rivers and creeks during rainstorms. Waters can rise quickly.
- If you have an emergency, dial 911. If you have a non-emergency dial (775) 782-5126

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