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UPDATE: STORM IMPACTS AND RESOURCES

MERCED – Additional storm systems are expected to bring moderate rainfall to Merced County beginning tomorrow and through the holiday weekend.

With already-heavy flows along local waterways and soil that is still saturated from the last storm impacts, residents should be prepared for the potential of additional regionalized flooding events in the coming days. Always avoid flooded roads, remain clear of fast-moving creeks and rivers, and follow all emergency signage.

If you haven't already, please sign up for the Merced County Emergency Alert System:

www.countyofmerced.com/alert

RESOURCE REMINDERS:

- For emergencies, dial **911** For general information, please call: **211**
- Merced County Office of Emergency Services 24-hour Information Line (recording): **209-385-7379**
- Any impacts to the agricultural community can be reported by calling the on-duty biologist at the Merced County Agricultural Commissioner's Office during normal business hours: **209-385-7431**
- Flood Safety Checklist: <http://web2.co.merced.ca.us/pdfs/news/2017/Flood-Safety-Checklist.html>
- Residential wells affected by floodwaters need to be disinfected before they can be safely used again. For information on well disinfection, follow this link: www.countyofmerced.com/disinfectingwells
- Information on mold/moisture in the home (California Department of Public Health): https://www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/IAQ/Documents/MMIMH_English_201610.pdf
- Information on restoring flooded buildings (Federal Emergency Management Act): http://www.ct.gov/dph/lib/dph/environmental_health/eoha/pdf/fema_initialrestorationfloodbldg.pdf
- Red Cross:
National Hotline **1-855-891-7325** (English and Spanish)
Fresno Hotline **1-559-455-1000 ext. 6601**

Sandbags will remain available in the Counties and Cities. Visit www.countyofmerced.com for sandbag information. To sign up for Merced County emergency alerts, visit www.countyofmerced.com/alert.

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