

## **COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ**

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## Press Release

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## ADVISORY: DEBRIS FLOW PRESENTATION

Members of the public are invited to virtually attend a safety presentation regarding post-fire risk to residents and property during a special meeting of the Board of Supervisors on Tuesday, Sept. 29, 2020.

In rainy seasons following severe fires, the risk of flooding, mudflows and debris flows are significantly elevated, posing a risk to life and property. A Watershed Emergency Response Team initial analysis of the CZU Lightning Complex area shows debris flows – large masses of water, mud, rocks and trees – are likely in parts of the burn scar and could lead to a secondary disaster.

Attendance at Board meetings is limited due to COVID-19, though some seating is available in the 5<sup>th</sup> floor Board chambers and overflow basement community room. Residents may also watch online at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/countyofsantacruz/live">www.facebook.com/countyofsantacruz/live</a>. No Facebook account needed.

Board meetings begin at 9 a.m. The agenda item and related materials are available at <a href="https://santacruzcountyca.iqm2.com/citizens/default.aspx">https://santacruzcountyca.iqm2.com/citizens/default.aspx</a>.