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## EVACUATION ORDER

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The levels of the Corralitos and Salsipuedes Creeks are rising due to intense rainfall and runoff. Some flooding has started along the Salsipuedes Creek. The Sheriff's Office has issued an evacuation order for the houses in low lying areas that are near the Corralitos or Salsipuedes Creeks. If you are near these waterways, please evacuate immediately and move to higher ground. Remaining in this evacuated area could cause a risk to personal safety and limit the ability for medical or rescue personnel to get to you.

The Sheriff's Office has issued an evacuation order for the following areas:

**South County Zones PAJ-E015, E024, E026, E027, E028**

County resource and information can be found at  
<https://www.co.santa-cruz.ca.us/OR3/Emergency.aspx>

Information regarding evacuation zones may be found at [community.zonehaven.com](https://community.zonehaven.com)

The County Emergency Operations Center has been activated to monitor further impacts from the storm, including localized flooding and road impacts. Road closures can be monitored at:  
<https://sccroadclosure.org/>

For **Rainstorm Call Center** questions call 831-454-2285, in the case of an emergency, **please call 911**

### Flood Tips

- In a flood, move to higher ground. Be aware of drainage channels and other areas known to flood suddenly.
- After a flood, stay away from downed power lines and designated disaster areas.
- Return home only when authorities indicate it is safe.
- If you encounter a flooded roadway, turn around and take another route. Roads underneath may be damaged and impassable. Don't drive through floodwaters or around barricades. Only a few inches of water can sweep a vehicle off the road.
- Stay out of standing floodwater. The dirty water can disguise hazards below the surface, such as deep holes and dangerous debris.

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