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FAIRGROUNDS SHELTER SITE EXPANDING

In partnership with the County of Monterey, the Santa Cruz County Emergency Operations Center is expanding shelter at the Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds.

The expansion pushes the capacity at the Fairgrounds to more than 400 beds and provides Pajaro evacuees a location closer to their community. In response, shelters at Cabrillo College and the Watsonville Veterans Memorial Building will be placed on stand-by as of this afternoon.

The Fairgrounds shelter is being operated by Monterey County with support from the County of Santa Cruz and the City of Watsonville. The California Department of Social Services, American Red Cross and numerous community-based organizations are providing support to evacuees as well.