

MEDIA RELEASE

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EVACUATION WARNING

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Heavy rains, wind and runoff have prompted an evacuation warning for parts of Santa Cruz County. An evacuation warning means you should be prepared to leave at any time. Due to the concern of potential flooding, debris flow, or other dangers in low lying areas, the Sheriff's Office is issuing an evacuation warning for the following zones in the unincorporated areas:

BEN-E002A, E002E, E002G, E002-I, E003-A, E003-B, E004-A

BOU-E004-A, E006-A, E008-A, E011-A, E012-A, E013, E014, E015-B, E021, E022-B, E031-B, E032-B, E036-B, E040, E041-B, E043-A, E043-B, E043-C

CRZ-E001-B, E002-A, E005-B, E005-C, E006-B, E007-B, E008-C, E014-A, E017-B, E018-B

FEL-E-001, E003-B, E006-A, E006-B, E007-A, E007-B, E010-B

Residents may look up their evacuation zones at 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/>

Call Center General questions may be directed to 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



underearth may be damaged and Impassable. Don't drive through floodwaters or around barricades. Only a few inches of water can sweep your 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.

