

## **COUNTY OF YOLO**

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## **Storm Preparedness Information**

(Woodland, CA) – With strong storms forecast through January 14, the Yolo County Office of Emergency Services encourages residents to take caution and plan accordingly for the potential of increased precipitation, rising rivers and streams, high winds and localized flooding.

Residents are advised to sign up at <a href="www.Yolo-Alert.org">www.Yolo-Alert.org</a>, to receive emergency alerts via text and email. Additionally, sandbags may be obtained from local home supply stores to assist in the construction of flood barriers to redirect storm water and debris flows away from homes and other structures.

To stay safe during flooding conditions:

- Avoid flooded streets and be on the lookout for debris on the roads resulting from strong winds and run off.
- Do not walk through moving water. Six inches of moving water can make you fall. If you must walk in water, walk where the water is not moving.
- Stay clear of water that is in contact with downed power lines.
- If water has entered a garage or basement, do not walk through it it may contain hazardous materials.
- Do not allow children to play around high water, storm drains or any flooded areas.

For further safety tips, visit the Office of Emergency Services page at <a href="www.yolocounty.org">www.yolocounty.org</a>.

For current river levels, visit the California Nevada River Forecast Center at: <a href="www.cnrfc.noaa.gov">www.cnrfc.noaa.gov</a>.

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