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## **Yolo County Issues Emergency Proclamation Following Storms**

**(Woodland, CA)** – Monday, Governor Brown declared a State of Emergency to secure funding to help communities (including Yolo County) respond to and recover from recent severe winter storms. To ensure full access to potential recovery funds, Yolo County has also issued an emergency proclamation.

Recent high winds and substantial precipitation, following long-term drought conditions, have resulted in damage throughout Yolo County which includes flooding, erosion, debris flow and damage to city and county roads. The Yolo County Office of Emergency Services, in collaboration with local agencies including numerous reclamation districts, is assessing the full scope of damage throughout the county and will be requesting state and federal assistance in the form of recovery funding.

“This proclamation opens the door to help our partner and allied agencies seek state and federal funds as they identify storm related damage,” said Yolo County Administrator Patrick Blacklock.

“Having seen the storm damage first hand throughout our county, I know that everybody from small local cemetery districts to large reclamation districts maintaining our levees have storm related damage to fix and can use this proclamation to hopefully seek state and federal assistance for actual on-the-ground construction,” said Yolo County Board of Supervisors Chair Duane Chamberlain.

Residential assistance typically is rendered from a federal program known as Individual Assistance. As there is currently not a federal declaration for this event, Individual Assistance is not available. Yolo County will be requesting that the Governor’s office seek a federal declaration for this event, as are other counties, in support of opening up federal assistance programs for residents.

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