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## Stanislaus County Prepares for Upcoming Storms

Modesto - The Stanislaus County Office of Emergency Services is working to ensure that the County and the nine cities are informed and prepared for the storms that are predicted over the next week. County officials have relayed information to local police, fire and irrigation district officials as well as emergency managers for the nine cities in the county.

Stanislaus OES continues to monitor the storm information with the National Weather Service, California Emergency Management Agency and the State Department of Water Resources through daily conference calls. The most recent information available from these resources suggests that there could be 2-4 inches of rain through Saturday night with 15-30 mile per hour winds. They are not predicting any major flooding, but there may be small stream and creek advisories.

Officials are monitoring water levels in the Tuolumne and Stanislaus rivers. They're also looking closely at unregulated waterways including Dry Creek and Orestimba Creek, which traditionally flood during large storms. If flooding is anticipated along creeks or rivers officials can issue warnings by calling residents directly or using an automated messaging system.

The following information will assist residents with sand bags or local flooding:

	Sandbags	Sandbag Locations	Flooded Streets	Broken Tree Limbs
Modesto	342-2244		577-6200	342-2249
Ceres	538-5732		538-5732	538-5732
County	525-4130	1716 Morgan Rd.	525-4130	525-4130
Newman	862-4448 678-0352 After Hrs		862-4448 678-0352 After Hrs	862-4448 678-0352 After Hrs
Oakdale	845-3660		845-3660	845-3600
Patterson	895-8060 895-8000 x9 After Hrs		895-8060 895-8000 x9 After Hrs	895-8060 895-8000 x9 After Hrs
Riverbank	869-7128 800-672-9068 After Hrs		869-7128 800-672-9068 After Hrs	869-7128 800-672-9068 After Hrs
Turlock	668-5590 668-1200 After Hrs		668-5590 668-1200 After Hrs	668-5590 668-1200 After Hrs
Waterford	874-4095		874-4095	874-4095