

ARE YOU PREPARED FOR EL NIÑO?

WHAT IS EL NIÑO?

El Niño is a naturally occurring climate pattern caused by warmer-than-average ocean temperatures in the Pacific Ocean.

In Southern California, El Niño can increase the likelihood of:



Heavy rainfall



Flooding



Mudslides and debris flows



Extreme heat



Road closures and travel disruptions

BEFORE THE STORM

- ✓ Build an emergency supply kit with enough supplies for at least three days:

**Water • Food • Batteries • Flashlight
Pet supplies • Medications**

- ✓ Pick up sandbags if your property is prone to flooding.
- ✓ Sign up for emergency alerts.
- ✓ Keep important documents in a waterproof container.
- ✓ Clear gutters and drains on your property.
- ✓ Know your evacuation routes.

KNOW YOUR FLOOD RISK

- Take extra precautions if you live in a floodplain (High-Risk Flood Zone).
- Low-lying areas are most vulnerable, but flooding can happen anywhere.



DURING A STORM

- ✓ Never drive through flooded roads.
- ✓ Never walk through floodwaters.
- ✓ Follow directions from emergency officials.
- ✓ Monitor weather updates and emergency alerts.
- ✓ Move to higher ground if flooding threatens your area.
- ✓ Stay away from rivers, creeks and storm channels.

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