



January 8, 2023 (10:40 PM)

To: Valley Mountain Regional Center (VMRC) Community  
San Joaquin, Calaveras, Amador, Tuolumne, and Stanislaus Counties

From: Tony Anderson, Executive Director

Re: **Building Closures Monday January 9, 2023 and Tuesday January 10, 2023**

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Last week Governor Gavin Newsom declared a temporary state of emergency. Everyone is urged to be cautious of flash flooding and the dangers of high winds and falling branches and trees. This afternoon (Sunday January 9, 2023) in addition to declaring a state of emergency because of the deadly storm (12 people have died in the storm since the end of December) the governor has requested a Presidential Emergency Declaration to address the impact of this unusual weather emergency. As of today the California Department of Transportation is advising no non-essential travel on Monday and Tuesday.

In response to this emergency, Valley Mountain Regional Center will remain open for business and serve our community to the best of our ability during this time, but we will close our **buildings on Monday January 9, 2023 and Tuesday January 10, 2023 out of an abundance of caution to reduce the risk to our staff, and the people we serve. As of this time we fully anticipate reopening the building on Wednesday January 11<sup>th</sup> (remember we are still open for business remotely and by telephone).**

***Below are more facts about the storm and safety tips reported by our Emergency Services Coordinator, Aaron McDonald...***

**Weather Key Points:**

- A stronger and more widespread atmospheric river event will bring strong winds, heavy precipitation, isolated thunderstorms, and increased impacts to much of the state beginning overnight Sunday, January 8, 2023, night and continuing into Tuesday, January 10, 2023.
  - Strong winds gusting 40-70 mph may cause downed trees, tree limbs, and power outages late Sunday, January 8, 2023, into Monday, January 9, 2023, for the Central Coast, Sacramento Valley, the Sierra Mountains (winds will exceed 100 mph at high passes), Santa Barbara County, and San Luis Obispo County.
  - Falling debris will cause a threat to life.
  - Flood impacts will become more widespread Monday, January 9, 2023, and Tuesday, January 10, 2023, as the cumulative effects from all the recent rain come together.
  - Rivers, creeks, streams, and roadway and urban flooding will be at their highest during this Monday, January 9, 2023, through Tuesday, January 10, 2023, period.

- Rock, mud, and landslides are all possible, especially in the foothills.
- Rainfall totals for Northern California Monday, January 9, 2023, through Tuesday, January 10, 2023: Two (2) to five (5) inches for lower elevations, with four (4) to six (6) inches in the North Bay and coastal mountains. The wettest peaks of the North Bay, Santa Cruz Mountains, Santa Lucia Mountains, and foothills of the Sierra could see up to 10 inches of additional rain.

**Current Watches, Warnings and Advisories in effect across the state:**

Latest info available at <https://www.wrh.noaa.gov/hazardSummary/?state=ca>

**High Wind Warning:**

○ Sunday, January 8, 2023, night through Monday, January 9, 2023, afternoon for the Sacramento Valley and surrounding foothills, the Carquinez Strait and Delta, and the northern San Joaquin Valley.

**Wind Advisory:**

○ Sunday night, January 8, 2023, through Monday afternoon, January 9, 2023, for the San Joaquin Valley and many surrounding mountains and foothills

**Flood Watch:**

- Through Wednesday, January 11, 2023, afternoon for the entire Central Valley and surrounding foothills.

**Power Outages:**

- We continue to monitor numerous power outages currently.
- For those individuals who receive their electricity from PG&E, the PG&E outages look up tool is their best resource to receive updates: <https://pgealerts.alerts.pge.com/outagecenter/> to look up an exact location use: <https://pgealerts.alerts.pge.com/outagecenter/addresslookup/> or call: 1-800-743-5002.
- For City of Lodi, you can visit: <https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/7387a5f1b6f24e778f5ab9d2b9a1d3f8> , this does not incorporate an address look up tool only a map showing shaded areas impacted by the outage. To report an unplanned power outage or electric emergency call 209-368-5735. To receive alerts via text or email regarding unplanned power outages sign up at [www.lohi.gov/alertcenter](http://www.lohi.gov/alertcenter)
- For Modesto Irrigation District (MID) customers: Call (209) 526-7337 or (888) 335-1643 toll-free then say or press 3 to report the location and circumstances of the power outage. During some outages, the line may be busy due to the large volume of callers. Please continue to call until you get through.
- For Turlock Irrigation District (TID) customers: Visit: <https://www.tid.org/power/outages/> or call: 209-883-8222.