



NEWS RELEASE

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For Immediate Release

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Hazardous Weather – Flooding Potential

Weather forecasts for Thursday, January 21, 2010 and Friday, January 22, 2010 indicate the potential for flooding along Oak Creek. Sedona community officials will advise residents and business owners of imminent flooding and the need to evacuate out of the area. Be prepared to leave at a moments notice, be sure to take medications, personal papers/photos and pets. This notification could come as early as Thursday, January 21st, in the afternoon. Please watch for updates on our website www.SedonaAZ.gov.

Should flooding occur, please do not attempt to cross rain-swollen, low water crossings.

5' Level or Higher

Begin visual monitoring creek level at bridge on hourly basis, low lying areas most likely to be impacted at this stage would be:

Bear Wallow Lane
New Castle Island
Doodle Bug Road/Sycamore Lane
Oak Creek Cliffs
Back O'Beyond Road

6' Level or Higher

Notify local businesses and residents to make plans for evacuation. This will include the areas above as well as:

Rancho Sedona RV park residents
Arroyo Robles Resort Timeshares
Amara Resort
L'Auberge Resort
Tlaquepaque Shops and Los Abrigados Resort
Oak Creek Cliffs residents
Trail Ends residents
Copper Cliffs residents
Oak Creek Mobile Lodge residents

Three locations are available to obtain sand and sand bags, which are provided free to the Public, can be accessed at any time, please bring shovels:

Uptown - empty lot on Forest Road west of Fire station #4
Sedona Red Rock High School north end of stadium parking lot
United Methodist Church parking lot on **SR 179** near Back O'Beyond Road