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Subject: Carson City State of Emergency

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(Carson City, NV) Carson City Emergency Management went before the Board of Supervisors on Thursday, January 5, 2017 and requested their support in declaring a State of Emergency/Disaster, in anticipation of the storm expected over the next several days. The Board unanimously agreed to the declaration and the City is positioned to submit the declaration to the Governor, if needed.

Carson City is officially at the **Flood “Monitoring Alert”** stage as defined by our Emergency Operation Plan. Because we are officially in a monitoring posture, Carson City agencies have been meeting each day to coordinate pre-storm and response activities. A Flood Hotline has been designated for flood related reporting and questions, which are not life-threatening. The number is 887-2355 and Officials recommend the public uses this number instead of 9-11 for non-emergency flood calls.

It’s anticipated the Carson City Emergency Operations Center will open Saturday and remain staffed throughout the duration of the storm. The Carson City Fire Department, Sheriff’s Office, Public Works, Information Technology and Health Department in addition to Carson Tahoe Hospital and other community partners will be coordinating operations and response while maintaining a common operating picture to best serve the residents of Carson City.

Residents of Carson City are encouraged to sign up for CodeRED, a free emergency notification service provided to all residents which will notify you of emergency information through phone calls, text messages, emails, social media and the CodeRED Mobile Alert app. To sign up go to <http://www.carson.org/alerts>.

Residents should be advised that weather conditions can change quickly. Carson City Emergency Management is advising residents to be prepared with a 72 hour kit, which can include extra water, a three day food supply (non-perishable foods), a flashlight with batteries, and a first aid kit. Please check <http://www.nevadafloods.org/> for more flood safety precautions.

Multiple sandbag locations have been established around Carson City and a detailed map and listing can be found on the Carson City website. The sandbag filling stations are a self-filling station. Carson City will provide the sand and the bags but residents will need to bring their own shovel and be prepared to fill their own bags.

Current incident information can be found at www.carson.org/flood.

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