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Subject: 2017 Spring Flood Preparations

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Carson City, NV – Carson City has made great progress in recovering from the January and February flood damage, and continues to plan for the upcoming spring and summer runoff. Carson City officials are monitoring stream, creek and river flows in Carson City; moreover, officials are concerned about flooding in the surrounding areas located outside city limits.

There is currently an estimated 736,000 acre foot or 239 billion gallons of water on the Carson Basin. This concerns County and State officials with what the spring and summer will bring as far as flooding.

"The concern is major transportation routes will be disrupted," said Sean Slamon, Emergency Manager and Carson City Fire Chief. "Runoff, landslides, damaged roads could impact travel coming into and traveling out of the Carson area. If that occurs, important supply chains could experience delays."

Local governments and state agencies are working to prepare for flooding throughout the region. Chief Slamon explains that the public should begin by ensuring that they have two weeks' worth of food, water, medications, pet food, and supplies. He encourages residents to prepare now.

- Sandbag the low points of homes and outbuildings, protect well heads from flood water.
- Keep vehicles fueled.
- Create defensible space around your home removing vegetation, branches and fire fuels.
- Develop a communications plan to ensure every person in the home knows what to do in an emergency.
- Prepare a "Go bag" and list of most important items, in the event of evacuation.

The following web links can assist the public with preparing:

- www.Ready.gov
- <https://disastersafety.org/flood/>

Follow us on Facebook and Twitter and sign up for real-time Carson City emergency, community, missing person and severe weather alerts at: <http://www.carson.org/alerts>

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