

EMERGENCY PLAN: STORM & FLOODING

A step-by-step guide on storm and flooding disaster management for UCSB students and affiliates.

FLOOD WATCH VS. WARNING

Flood Watch

- Be Prepared: A Flood Watch is issued when conditions are favorable for flooding. It does not mean flooding will occur, but it is possible

Flood Warning

- Take Action: A Flood Warning is issued when flooding is imminent or occurring
- If you are in a flood prone area move immediately to high ground

WHAT YOU CAN DO NOW

- Sign up for your community's warning system through CalAlerts
- Gather food, water, medicine and any other resources
- Plan for power outages. Charge devices and backup batteries
- Keep your car gas tank at least half full in case you are asked to evacuate
- Establish evacuation routes from your home and workplace

CalAlerts Sign Up



WHAT YOU CAN DO DURING

- Listen to emergency information and alerts
- If trapped inside by floodwaters, move to higher floors or the roof, Call 911
- Never walk or drive through floodwater
Floodwater may be deeper than you think and can sweep you or your car away.
- If you are outside during a storm, find shelter immediately. Stay away from trees and power lines, especially watch for flying debris



WHAT YOU CAN DO AFTER

- Monitor local alerts for available shelter locations and areas to avoid
- Stay away from bluffs after storms due to erosion
- Do not touch electrical equipment if wet or are standing in water
- Use texting or social media to communicate with family as phone systems may be down
- Avoid contact with floodwater. Floodwater can contain chemicals or waste that can make you and your pets sick

RESOURCES

Storm Readiness



Safety Guide



National Weather Service



Refer to UCSB Campus e-mails and homepage at www.ucsb.edu for further information.