



City of Capitola

NEWS RELEASE

Attention: Editors

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RESIDENTS AND BUSINESS OWNERS ADVISED TO USE CAUTION IN CAPITOLA VILLAGE

PARKING RESTRICTED ON CAPITOLA AVENUE

CAPITOLA—The City Council issued an emergency proclamation this afternoon after two days of flooding in the Capitola Village and the Pacific Cover Mobile Home Park. At the hearing, the City Council and members of the public were briefed regarding the City's response to the recent storms.

Residents and merchants are advised to use caution while traveling through the Capitola Village. Merchants and property owners are busy removing debris and infrastructure damaged by recent floods. Visitors are advised to park in areas that will not impede repair and reconstruction activity. Parking is restricted along the lower portions of Capitola Road to merchants, contractors, and those directly assisting with clean-up efforts.

The City has established Kelly Barreto as a contact point for Village businesses to assist with any issue related to the flood. Ms. Baretto can be contacted at City Hall at 475-7300 or at kbarreto@ci.capitola.ca.us. City Inspectors and County Health Officials will be contacting restaurants tomorrow morning to walk them through the necessary cleaning and repairs to reopen for business. The Capitola-Soquel Chamber of Commerce is currently receiving donations to assist those impacted by the flood. The Chamber can be reached at 831-359-1803.

Pacific Cove Mobile Home Park is closed to visitors. Residents should contact Lisa Murphy at 475-7300 to gain access to coaches. Residents were offered hotel vouchers for those displaced by the flood. The City will be inspecting Pacific Cove Mobile Home coaches tomorrow morning and will continue to evaluate park infrastructure damaged by the storm. The City is actively working with PG&E to reestablish utilities in Pacific Cove Mobile Home Park.

Sand bags and sand has been positioned behind City Hall in Pacific Cove Parking Lot and are available for public use. Capitola residents can reach the Red Cross at 831-427-8115 should shelter or other immediate needs be required. For immediate emergencies, call 911.

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