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PRESS RELEASE #1

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Time: 1:15 p.m.

EVACUATION ADVISORY FOR SILVERADO CANYON BURN AREA

An evacuation advisory for the Silverado Canyon burn area has been issued by the County Executive Officer and Orange County Sheriff’s Department due to potential flooding and debris flows. The evacuation advisory is for homes east of 30311 Silverado Canyon Road.

Homes against steep slopes that were burnt during the Silverado Fire are encouraged to follow this advisory. Starting at 9 p.m. 10/31, only residents will be allowed to enter the areas under the evacuation advisory and the public is warned that heavy rain and subsequent flooding and mudslides are possible.

The National Weather Service warns that a storm is approaching Orange County that could produce up to a half inch of rain within a two hour period from 4 a.m. to 6 a.m. Saturday and up to three quarters of an inch of rain overall. This level of precipitation could produce flooding and debris flows. Evacuation routes can quickly become impassable due to mud and debris or flooding.

OC Public Works has sandbags for canyon residents available at OC Fire Authority’s Station 14 at 29402 Silverado Canyon Road and also at the corner of Santiago Canyon Road and Modjeska Canyon Road.

Residents with large animals should follow their personal plans to move their animals. Residents may relocate small animals to OC Animal Care Services at 561 The City Drive South in Orange. Anyone with circumstances requiring assistance with large or small animal evacuations may call OC Animal Care Services at (714) 935-6848 during regular business hours. After 5 p.m., call (714) 935-7158.

The Orange County Emergency Operations Center will be activated at 3 p.m. The public information hotline will be staffed and ready to accept calls at that time. The public information hotline is (714) 628-7085.

Any person with disabilities, access and functional needs requiring assistance in evacuating should call the public information hotline at (714) 628-7085.

Residents are urged to monitor local media for the most up-to-date information, as well as follow @OrangeCountyEOC and @OCSD on Twitter.

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(714) 628-7062