

**ORANGE COUNTY OPERATIONAL AREA**  
**EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**PRESS RELEASE #5**

Date: 1/6/16

Time: 7:30 p.m.

**VOLUNTARY EVACUATIONS LIFTED IN SILVERADO CANYON WHILE FLASH  
FLOOD WATCH CONTINUES THROUGH THURSDAY**

The Orange County Emergency Operations Center will lift voluntary evacuations at 8:00 p.m. tonight for Silverado Canyon homes east of 30311 Silverado Canyon Road due to lighter rainfall forecasted overnight. A Flash Flood Watch issued by the National Weather Service earlier today is still in effect until Thursday.

The County Emergency Operations Center will transition to Level 1 status at 8:00 p.m. tonight and is anticipated to remain at Level 1 status through Thursday afternoon. Also at 8:00 p.m. tonight, the Public Information Hotline (714-628-7085) will be deactivated and the American Red Cross will close its Care and Reception Center at the Silverado Community Center that was available today for evacuated residents.

Voluntary evacuations were issued earlier today due to increased rainfall and high risk of flooding and debris flows during today's heavy rain event. The County of Orange activated and staffed the Emergency Operations Center with County agency representatives at 8 a.m. this morning.

Everyone should stay out of flood control channels and areas of increased water flow for the duration of the rain event. An overnight emergency homeless shelter is available at the EV Free Church in Fullerton. For more information, please call 714-836-7188 ext. 131.

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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