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## WINTER STORM UPDATE

A severe winter storm will arrive on the Mendocino Coast at approximately 4:00 a.m. Friday morning. The storm will bring sustained winds of 35-45 mph. Expected rain amounts could exceed five inches. Flash flooding in small creeks should be expected, along with flooding in low-lying areas. This storm model resembles the winter storm of 2005-2006, although Russian River and Navarro River are not expected to exceed flood stage. These conditions will continue until approximately mid-day Friday.

In anticipation of local flooding, the following locations are providing sand and sand bags: County of Mendocino, Department of Transportation at Lake Mendocino Drive, Ukiah and on Commercial Avenue in Willits; Hopland Fire Department; and the Fort Bragg Fire Department.

Released by: \_\_\_\_\_  
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