



## PRESS RELEASE

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### Mandatory Evacuation Orders Lifted Immediately for Santa Barbara County

*Effective 10:30 am, March 13*

**(SANTA BARBARA, Calif.)** – The Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office, in consultation with fire agencies and other public safety officials, has announced that effective immediately (10:30 a.m. today, March 13), Mandatory Evacuation Orders are lifted for all areas.

The National Weather Service has advised that critical rain rates did not materialize over the area as expected. Showers are expected through the afternoon and into the evening hours, however, they are not anticipated to reach critical levels to cause debris flow.

This is the first of several weather systems expected to move through the Santa Barbara south coast over the next week. Each of these systems will be monitored and evaluated and the public will be informed of any changes. At this time, none of these systems appear to be a threat of causing debris flows. We would like to thank the public for their swift cooperation and collaboration towards keeping our community safe.

The County's interactive evacuation map will be updated today to reflect changes made to evacuation orders. Please visit [ReadySBC.org](http://ReadySBC.org) to access the interactive evacuation map or call the Public Information Call Center at 833-688-5551 for assistance.

If evacuated residents who are returning to their residences have a need for wheelchair or other specialized transport needs, call Easy Lift at 805-681-1180.

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#### **Stay Connected:**

It is critical that people in Santa Barbara County register to receive emergency alerts. Sign up for Aware and Prepare emergency alerts at [www.ReadySBC.org](http://www.ReadySBC.org). If we can't reach you, we can't alert you.

For updates through social media, follow @countyofsb on [Twitter](https://twitter.com) and [Facebook](https://facebook.com). For general information, call 2-1-1 from 805 area code or 800-400-1572 outside of 805, or text your zip code to 898-211.

#### **Permanezca Conectado:**

Es muy importante que las personas en el Condado de Santa Bárbara se registren para recibir alertas de emergencias. Inscríbase para recibir las alertas por medio de *Informados y Preparados* (Aware and Prepare) en [www.ReadySBC.org/es](http://www.ReadySBC.org/es). Si no podemos localizarlo, no podemos alertarlo.

Para actualizaciones por las redes sociales, siga @csbenespanol en [Twitter](#), @countyofsb en [Facebook](#). Para información en general, llame al 2-1-1 desde el código de área 805, o al 800-400-1572 para fuera del 805, o mande por texto su código postal al 898-211.