



Humboldt Bay Fire News Release

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Subject : Severe Weather Postpones Humboldt Bay Fire Open House

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Humboldt Bay Fire's Open House scheduled for October 15th, 2016 is being postponed due to the incoming storms. We have been watching the weather forecasts closely and as an organization committed to the safety of the community, have determined that the Open House event will be held on another date in the near future.

It would not be prudent on our part to encourage travel in high wind and rain conditions, rather, we are encouraging the safety of the public and to stay off the roads unless necessary. If you haven't done so, now is the time to prepare for the predicted weather.

Here are some general safety tips to prepare for the incoming storms:

General Safety:

- Have a plan. Be prepared for the storm by obtaining items such as batteries, flashlights, and a weather radio ahead of the storm's arrival. Do not use candles!!!
- Stay informed of changing weather conditions.
- Watch out for down power lines. Do not attempt to approach a down power line. Notify your local emergency services if you locate a downed line!!!!
- Only go out in to the weather if you must.

- When driving in inclement weather, slow down. Allow for additional time to get to your destination.
- Be aware of standing water on the roadways which may cause vehicles to hydroplane.
- Use your headlights during wet weather.
- Look out for debris on roadways such as rocks, trees, and limbs.
- High winds may make operation of vehicles difficult.
- Be aware of rapidly rising streams and flooding on roadways. Do not attempt to cross flooded roadways. There may be a current that can cause a vehicle to be swept away.
- If you are using a generator, use only outdoors.
- Only fuel emergency generators when they are cool to avoid fuel fires.

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