

MENDOCINO COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICE

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Proclamation of the Existence of a Local Emergency Related to the February 2023 Winter Storms Event

On March 2, 2023, the Chief Executive Officer/Director of Emergency Services Darcie Antle proclaimed a local emergency due to severe winter storms.

Extreme Winter Storm conditions of high winds, cold weather, rain, and low-elevation snow caused severe ground saturation, unstable hillsides, downed trees, and multiple power outages across the County. The storm caused a significant impact on the County, community operations, and resources that required the provision of additional public safety, health, and emergency services.

Please remember to stay off roadways unless travel is necessary. Remember to pull over and allow safe passing for roadcrews and first responders.

Further press releases are forthcoming as the February 2023 Mendocino Winter Storms Event continues.

Real-time updates are being made on the Mendocino County Facebook page (<u>https://www.facebook.com/mendocinocounty/</u>) and Twitter feed (<u>https://twitter.com/countymendocino</u>.)

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