

## CONSERVATION CORNER



### **El Niño, Now is the time to prepare!**

#### **IN AN EMERGENCY...**

- Be prepared to leave immediately and make sure your car's gas tank is full if an emergency evacuation is ordered. Have alternate evacuation routes out of your neighborhood.
- Check on neighbors who may require special assistance, especially senior citizens, persons with disabilities and minors who are home alone.
- Make sure pets are indoors or have safe cover.
- Stay away from storm drain channels and any flooded areas.
- If you must drive, be cautious and allow extra time for travel. California law requires that headlights must be turned on whenever windshield wipers are in use.
- If you are driving and see flooded roads ahead, turn around. About 80 percent of all flood-related deaths occur when drivers try to navigate flowing water.
- Stay home if possible until the weather situation improves. Some roads may be impassable due to fallen trees and/or downed power lines.
- Stay clear of downed power lines and anything touching them. Always assume that a power line is live and hazardous. Downed cable and telephone wires can also be hazardous.

#### **IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS**

Emergency	911	Water Customer Service	(909) 596-8744
Police Department	(909) 596-1913	SCE	(800) 684-8123
Fire Department	(909) 596-5991	Gas Company	(800) 427-2200
Public Works	(909) 596-8741	Waste Management	(909) 599-1274

#### **SANDBAGS**

Free sandbags and sand are available at the following locations:

Fire Station 1-2061 Third Street

Fire Station 3-5100 Esperanza Drive

The fire stations are open 24 hours a day, should you have an emergency and require sandbags. The bags are not prefilled. Residents will have to fill the sandbags with the available sand. It is suggested to bring your own shovel to avoid having to wait. Free sandbag supplies are limited. Residents may purchase additional sandbags at Orchard Supply Hardware, Home Depot and Lowes.

