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State Parks Working with All Agencies to Address Rain and Slide Threats near Chino Hills State Park

California State Parks is working with federal, state and local agencies to address the threat from debris and mud flows that are predicted in the forthcoming rains. Under direction from Governor Schwarzenegger, State Parks will be assisting with preparations needed to address flooding, mud flows and debris flows from Chino Hills State Park.

"Our top priority right now is to work with all agencies to put protective measures in place," said Ron Krueper, District Superintendent of the Inland Empire District of California State Parks. "We are reaching-out cooperatively to seek all possible outside assistance to plan for erosion control devices as quickly as possible."

Krueper added that State Parks is working with the State Office of Emergency Services (OES) and the City of Yorba Linda to help facilitate their Mudslide Prevention Plan. He added that State Parks will issue an emergency right of entry permit so that the concerned entity can send crews to perform the work immediately.

Chino Hills State Parks is surrounded by three cities, Yorba Linda, Brea and Chino Hills, where housing developments have been built up to or adjacent to the park boundary. The City of Yorba Linda has placed "K" rails and sandbags at critical locations in an attempt to steer debris flows away from homes and down city streets. State Parks supports sand bagging operations, straw waddles, jute netting and the installation of "K" rails as emergency measures to address potential mud and debris flows and flooding from the rains forecast for the area.

The Triangle Complex Fire burned more than 29,000 acres, including 90% of Chino Hills State Park.

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