

ORANGE COUNTY OPERATIONAL AREA
EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

PRESS RELEASE # 8

Date: January 5, 2008

Time: 1400

**ORANGE COUNTY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER AND PUBLIC
INFORMATION HOTLINES HAVE BEEN DEACTIVATED**

The County of Orange has deactivated its Emergency Operations Center and Public Information Hotline. The Public Information Hotline is no longer staffed. The public is instructed to call the Orange County Sheriff's Department Dispatch Center at (714) 647-7000 for information or inquiries in regards to storm related questions in Orange County.

The **voluntary** evacuation order remains in place for residents and large animals living in Modjeska, Williams, and Harding Canyons. Access to these Canyons is still restricted to residents only.

All evacuation orders for Silverado Canyon have been lifted.

Silt, mud, and debris remain on the roads and the streets are very slippery. Drivers are warned to use extreme caution when driving in the canyon areas.

The Red Cross Shelter at Villa Park High School at 18042 Taft, Villa Park, 92861 is now closed. Any canyon residents who require shelter are instructed to contact the Orange County Sheriff's Department Dispatch Center for shelter assistance.

For the Voluntary Large Animal Evacuation Order, the Orange County Fairgrounds, 88 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, is ready to accept large animals. Residents must call ahead, (714) 708-1588 for directions. Residents are expected to bring supplies for their large animals.

Residents may also relocate their small animals to the Orange County Animal Control Services, 561 The City Drive South, in Orange. They can accept approximately 30 dogs and approximately 20 cats from residents. Residents can call (714) 935-6848 with questions.

Release authorized by: _____ Title: Director of Emergency Services
Email or Faxed/time: _____

Sent by: _____ Date/Time: January 5, 2008