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Formal Flood Briefings Put on Hold as Storms Subside

Sacramento--Because of a break from the weather cycle that has pounded California with El Niño-pattern storms, the Department of Water Resources has temporarily discontinued its daily flood-condition media briefings at the Flood Operations Center at 3310 El Camino Avenue in Sacramento.

Jay Punia, chief of DWR's Flood Operation Branch, said the formal briefings are canceled until further notice.

"If weather once again threatens people or property, the formal, daily briefings will be resumed," Punia said. "During the break in the weather, DWR information officers and other staff will remain available to answer the media's questions."

The media-only telephone number at the Flood Operations Center is (916) 574-1735. Information officers also may be reached at DWR headquarters by calling (916) 653-6192.

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The Department of Water Resources operates and maintains the State Water Project, provides dam safety and flood control and inspection services, assists local water districts in water management and water conservation planning, and plans for future statewide water needs. The State Water Project provides water to two-thirds of California's population.

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