

PREPARING FOR RAIN & DEBRIS FLOW



Whose responsibility is it to ensure my property is protected from erosion and debris flow?

A: As a homeowner, it is your responsibility to protect your home. The City strongly encourages you to immediately contact your home insurance provider to coordinate protection of your property. For more information please reference the County's Homeowners Guide for Flood, Debris & Erosion Control that can be found at toaks.org

Do I have to pay for debris diversion measures such as sandbags, and who is liable for their placement?

A: Debris diversion improvements made on private property, even temporary improvements, are the responsibility and liability of private property owners. A limited supply of free sandbags are available at local fire stations and City facilities (see below).

How do I know if debris flow or erosion will affect my property?

A: All properties located adjacent to open space should prepare for debris flows for several years, until vegetation in the open space returns.

USING SANDBAGS TO PROTECT PROPERTY



How can I best prepare and protect my property from debris flow/erosion?

A: The most effective way to protect your property is by installing sandbags directly on your property to divert the debris flows around your home into the adjoining street (the Homeowners Guide is an excellent source of information on sandbagging techniques).

Where can I get sandbags?

A: Pre-filled sandbags are available at the Municipal Service Center, 1993 Rancho Conejo Blvd. and the Thousand Oaks Library, 1401 E. Janss Rd. Additionally, unfilled sandbags and sand are available at all Thousand Oaks fire stations.

Will the City deliver sandbags?

A: No. However homeowners can hire local contractors to pick up sandbags on their behalf.

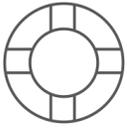
Can I place sandbags in open space or on my neighbor's property?

A: Please do not place sandbags or diversion measures in any open space or other privately-owned property. Additionally, do not enter onto someone else's property or divert debris flow without the property owner's permission.

Does the City or COSCA plan to install any debris diversion methods in open space areas?

A: Open space debris diversion methods are far less effective in protecting property than those placed around the properties to be protected. For this reason, neither the City nor the Conejo Open Space Conservation Agency (COSCA) generally install any debris diversion methods, even temporary ones, in the public open space.

ASSISTANCE FOR PROPERTY OWNERS



Is the City seeking support from State or Federal agencies?

A: The City is working with the State Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and other agencies to help identify debris flow mitigation needs.

What is the City doing now to assist those affected by the fires?

A: The City, in partnership with local agencies, hosted a Local Assistance Center at the Grant Brimhall Library through Sunday November 25, 2018 and is offering utility fee reductions for those impacted directly by the fires. A fire recovery liaison is working directly with residents who lost homes to help navigate the rebuilding process.

How is the City going to help homeowners to rebuild?

A: The City and County are working together to streamline processes and expedite reconstruction of damaged or destroyed properties.

FIRE RECOVERY RESOURCES



www.toaks.org

City of Thousand Oaks website: Access fire recovery information, Town Hall meeting video and regular updates from the website's homepage

Homeowners Guide for Flood, Debris & Erosion Control

Download pdf from www.toaks.org

Fire Rebuilding Liaison

Direct contact to assist homeowners whose property was damaged or destroyed:
Far Levers at (805) 449-2400 or flevers@toaks.org

www.toaks.org/emergency

City webpage with a wide range of information on emergency preparedness

www.venturacountyrecovers.org

City/County website focused solely on local fire recovery information

www.vccf.org

Ventura County Community Foundation website where you can donate to the funds supporting those impacted by the local fires or the Borderline shooting

