

# ALERT LONG BEACH

Sign-up for **AlertLongBeach** to receive alert notices via cell phone, text message, and e-mail on emerging or imminent emergencies.

Sign-up online at **AlertLongBeach** on the City's website:

[www.longbeach.gov](http://www.longbeach.gov). All that is

required is a name, cell phone number, or email address and home or business address.



**AlertLongBeach** messages will tell you what has happened, what responders are doing and what actions you can take to protect your family and home.



This information is available in alternative formats. Please call 562.570.9250 or email [LongBeach-EOC@longbeach.gov](mailto:LongBeach-EOC@longbeach.gov).

**CITY OF LONG BEACH**  
DISASTER PREPAREDNESS &  
EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS  
562.570.9250  
[www.longbeach.gov/disasterpreparedness](http://www.longbeach.gov/disasterpreparedness)

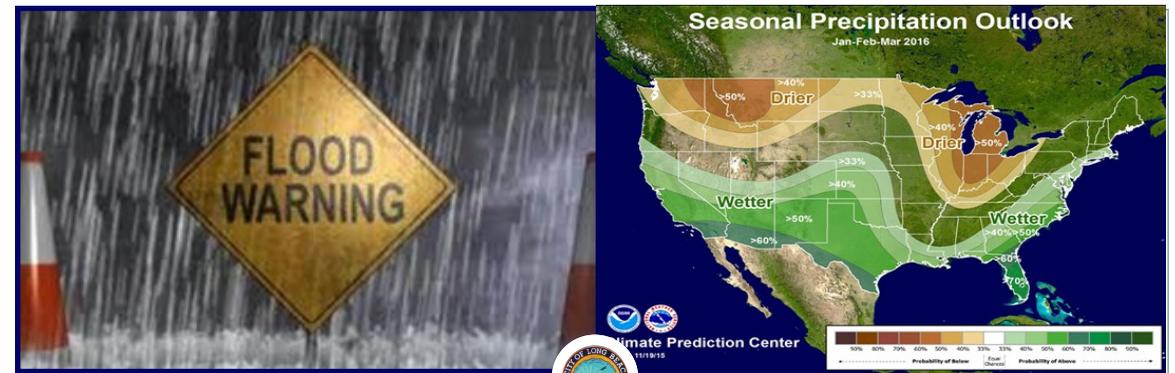
## El Niño is here!



# Prepare Now For El Niño



DEPARTMENT OF DISASTER PREPAREDNESS &  
EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS



### EL NIÑO POSSIBLE IMPACTS

- Experts predict above normal rainfall from January through March
- Up to twice the normal rainfall for Southern California is predicted
- Multiple storms can be expected (a series of 2 to 4 storms in succession)
- Flooding possible when the ground becomes saturated
- Experts predict 6" to 8" sea level rise, coastal erosion, large waves and rip currents
- El Niño does not mean the end of the drought

### TAKE ACTION NOW

- Clean out your rain gutters and drains
- Remove any items from your property that may prevent water run off
- Repair any leaks in your roof or windows
- Pack away patio furniture so it does not get blown away
- Consider keeping some waterproofing materials handy for emergency repairs items such as sandbags, plastic sheeting, plywood or lumber
- Trim tree limbs that pose a threat to people, property or structures.

### BEFORE THE STORM

- Make an Emergency Kit for your home and your work
- Create a Family Communications Plan
- Identify a meeting place for your family to gather if you cannot go home
- Keep your car fueled, never let your fuel level go below 1/2 tank
- Keep copies of important documents in a safe, water resistant container
- Take a First Aid/CPR Class through the American Red Cross



For information on preparedness please visit our website:  
[www.longbeach.gov/disasterpreparedness](http://www.longbeach.gov/disasterpreparedness)

## KNOW HOW TO GET HELP

City of Long Beach Emergency Phone Numbers:

**Life Threatening Emergencies: Dial 9-1-1**

All other inquiries and reporting issues:

- ☑ **Gas Department:** 562.570.2140
- ☑ **Water and Sewer:** 562.570.2390
- ☑ **Public Works Streets:** 562.570.2700
- ☑ **Storm Drains & Basins:** 562.570.2700
- ☑ **Parks After Hours:** 562.570.3101
- ☑ **Marinas & Beaches:** 562.570.3215
- ☑ **Animal Care:** 562.570.7387
- ☑ **Downed Trees:** 562.570.2700
- ☑ **Sand Bags:** 562.570.2700

### **Southern California Edison**

(Power Outages): 1-800-611-1911

[www.sce.com](http://www.sce.com)

### **City Light and Power**

(Street Light Outages): 562.983.2000 or 888.544.4868

[www.clpinc.com/service-request/](http://www.clpinc.com/service-request/)

## GET TRAINED:

### **CERT:**

562.570.2525

[www.longbeach.gov/fire/community-outreach/cert/](http://www.longbeach.gov/fire/community-outreach/cert/)



### **LB Search & Rescue**

(under 18):

562.494.0908

[www.lbsar.org/](http://www.lbsar.org/)



### **American Red Cross**

[www.redcross.org/ca/long-beach](http://www.redcross.org/ca/long-beach)

## BEFORE THE STORM (CONTINUED)

- ☑ Find a reliable source for weather updates : [www.wrh.noaa.gov/lox](http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/lox)
- ☑ Go to the City of Long Beach website and sign up for **AlertLongBeach** and LINKLB
- ☑ Download the Long Beach Go App to report issues
- ☑ Sign up for Nixle ([www.nixle.com](http://www.nixle.com))
- ☑ Share information with the elderly and at-risk neighbors



### City Social Media Sites

You can also sign up for any of the City of Long Beach social media accounts and receive information on a disaster.

[www.facebook.com/CityofLongBeachCA](http://www.facebook.com/CityofLongBeachCA)

<https://twitter.com/LongBeachCity>

[www.youtube.com/user/LongBeachCityCA](http://www.youtube.com/user/LongBeachCityCA)

### Sandbags

Obtain sand and sandbags from designated locations and always direct runoff away from the property.



- ☑ **Sand** is available at 1651 San Francisco
- ☑ **Sand and Sand bags** are available at the following Fire Stations:
  - Station 7 (2295 Elm)
  - Station 12 (1199 E. Artesia)
  - Station 13 (2475 Adriatic)
  - Station 14 (5200 Eliot)
- ☑ **Sand Bags** are available at Lifeguard HQ (Junipero Parking Lot) & 72nd St Station

## DURING THE STORM

- ☑ Monitor local radio (KKJZ 88.1 FM) and TV news closely for weather conditions
- ☑ Be prepared to leave immediately if an evacuation is ordered
- ☑ Have alternate evacuation routes out of your neighborhood
- ☑ Stay away from steep slopes that may become unstable when saturated
- ☑ Never touch a downed power line - which can cause serious injury or death. Call 9-1-1 to report it
- ☑ Avoid unnecessary trips - If you must travel during the storm, advise others of your destination and estimated arrival time
- ☑ Stay away from flood channels and flowing rivers. You could be knocked off your feet in as little as six inches of water
- ☑ Do not try to cross flooded areas and never enter moving waters. Turn Around - Don't Drown
- ☑ If trapped in your vehicle, stay with it. If possible, relocate to the hood or roof if water continues to rise
- ☑ Be alert when driving - Roads may become blocked or closed due to hazards



## AFTER THE STORM

- ☑ Follow local instructions regarding the safety of drinking water - If in doubt, boil or purify water before drinking
- ☑ Avoid disaster areas - Your presence could hamper rescue and other emergency operations, and you may be in danger
- ☑ Replace your emergency supplies, medicines, food, water, etc. as soon as you can
- ☑ Let your family know you are okay



### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Additional resources on El Niño preparedness can be found by visiting the following websites:

#### **City of Long Beach**

[www.longbeach.gov/disasterpreparedness/](http://www.longbeach.gov/disasterpreparedness/)

[www.longbeach.gov/fire/](http://www.longbeach.gov/fire/)

[www.longbeach.gov/police/](http://www.longbeach.gov/police/)

[www.longbeach.gov/health/](http://www.longbeach.gov/health/)

[www.polb.com/](http://www.polb.com/)

#### **Los Angeles County, Emergency Management**

[www.lacounty.gov/elnino](http://www.lacounty.gov/elnino)

#### **California Office of Emergency Services**

[www.storms.ca.gov/](http://www.storms.ca.gov/)

#### **Federal Emergency Management Agency**

[www.fema.gov/el-nino](http://www.fema.gov/el-nino)