

# **Emergency Reference Guide**

### **FLOOD**

Many areas of the CSU Long Beach campus are subject to flooding. Except in the case of flash floods the onset of most floods is a relatively slow process which involves the buildup of water of a period of time. Closure of roadways on and around the campus may restrict the ability of the campus community to move about or leave the campus. If flooding occurs the following procedures should be followed.

## **Campus Community**

When a member of the campus community becomes aware of flooding either inside a building or on campus grounds they should contact the University Police at (562) 985-4101 or for emergencies 9-1-1.

If a building is ordered evacuated follow the instructions of the Building Marshal and the procedures outlined in Tab H - Evacuation.

## **University Administration/University Police**

During periods of severe weather conditions and forecasts will be monitored by radio/TV broadcast and internet sources.

University Police will monitor the levels of water in all creeks, aqueducts, and channels. Reporting flood conditions where appropriate.

Facilities Management personnel will work to insure water drains remain open and flowing.

Where necessary, based on current conditions and predicted rainfall amounts the University President or his/her representative will consider ordering the campus closed.

If the campus is ordered closed the procedures outlined in the Evacuations Procedures section will be followed. If conditions do not permit an evacuation then sheltering locations will be established on high ground or other suitable location.

If the campus is ordered closed the University Public Affairs office will use any available medium to relay the closure to students, staff, faculty as well as general public.

During severe flooding, or whenever necessary, Facilities Management will consider shutting off water mains to avoid contamination of campus water supply.

Based on the severity of the situation the CSU Long Beach EOC may be activated. Activation and staffing levels will be in accordance with the guideline outlined in the Emergency Operations Center Guidelines of the CSU Long Beach Emergency Operations Plan.

# **Return to Normal Operations**

If the incident has resulted in the evacuation of part or all of a campus building(s) then those areas will remain closed until the University determines:



- The area is safe to occupy
- All immediate police and rescue activity has been completed.
- Any and all investigations and/or necessary repairs have been completed.
- There is no longer a need to keep the area closed.

NOTE: Some areas may remain closed longer than others.