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Storm and Road Update – 10/17/15

PALMDALE – The following information has been provided by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works in a press release regarding recent road closures from the West Lake Incident storm.

In addition to the road openings listed in the County's press release, the following roads that were closed in Palmdale are now open:

- Avenue N between 10th St. W and Sierra Highway - OPEN
- Avenue M-8 between 60th St. W and 65th St. W. - OPEN
- Elizabeth Lake Road from Ranch Center Drive into Leona Valley - OPEN

TEXT FROM LA COUNTY PRESS RELEASE

Massive County effort reopens roads ahead of schedule in Elizabeth Lake, Lake Hughes and Leona Valley

LA County Public Works is set to lift several significant road closures by [5 p.m. today](#) in the mountain communities north of Castaic that received an estimated 200,000 cubic yards of mud and debris flow during an October 15 storm.

A coordinated response by County Fire, Sheriff and Public Works departments, and the California Highway Patrol provided limited access to local residents, but the full reopening of the roads comes well ahead of original forecasts. More than 40 pieces of heavy machinery, including front loaders, bulldozers and dump trucks, and 60 Public Works personnel worked through the weekend to bring relief to the affected areas.

The following County roads are scheduled to reopen today:

Elizabeth Lake Road

From Godde Hill Road to Lake Hughes Road

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From the Palmdale city limit to Elizabeth Lake Road

San Francisquito Canyon Road

From Elizabeth Lake Road to Dry Gulch Road

Bouquet Canyon Road

From Elizabeth Lake Road to north of Vasquez Canyon Road

Spunky Canyon Road

San Francisquito Canyon Road and Bouquet Canyon Road

County Public Works crews will continue efforts to reopen the following two stretches of roadway:

Munz Ranch Road between Elizabeth Lake Road and Lancaster Road

Lake Hughes Road from Elizabeth Lake Road to Dry Gulch

Cleanup activities are ongoing in several county unincorporated communities affected by the storm and within the City of Palmdale and the City of Lancaster. Motorists are cautioned to drive at reduced speeds, as roadways may still be covered with mud and water in some areas. Traffic delays can be expected as work continues along roadways.

Follow County Public Works on Twitter for updates on road conditions at @LAPublicWorks or visit the Coordinated Agency Response website (C.A.R.E.) at DPWCARE.org to sign up for automated notification. Information and referral services on post-disaster resources are available to those affected by the floods, debris, and mudflow by visiting www.211la.org or visiting the County's comprehensive storm season website at lacounty.info/elnino.

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