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**Winter Weather Preparedness**

The Inyo County Sheriff's Office has been informed by the National Weather Service that a severe cold front is forecasted in Inyo County for the next 3 to 5 days with temperatures in the teens. Here are some helpful preparedness tips to help you get winter ready:

- To reduce the potential for flooding please keep ditches and creeks clean and free from debris. Sandbags can be obtained at all fire stations.
- Keep emergency kits in vehicles, which include non-perishable food, water, batteries, battery-powered radio, extra flashlights, necessary medications and adequate clothing and blankets.
- Be cautious during backcountry activities.
- If travel is necessary, keep informed of road updates through the California Department of Transportation's toll-free number, 1(800) 427-7623, or [www.dot.ca.gov](http://www.dot.ca.gov).
- Install carbon monoxide detectors and never use heating devices that are not intended for indoor use.
- Check plumbing and make sure it is winterized.
- Make sure pets have adequate shelter.
- For more great tips on winter weather preparedness visit the FEMA website at <http://www.ready.gov/winter-weather>