

Subject - DRAFT EOC UPDATE #5 - Multiple Events in Progress

Dear Mayor Martinez and Members of the City Council [via Bcc]:

Incident Overview

On Tuesday, January 3, 2023, at 8:18 PM, the City of Richmond Fire and Police departments responded to the 300 block of Seaview Drive on reports of a break-line in the hillside which, due to an expected weather event, had the potential to develop into a landslide. Following recent storm surges, the hillside above Seacliff Drive and Seaview Drive in the Brickyard Cove area became unstable. City staff and technical experts assessed the area. Out of an abundance of caution and due to concerns that additional storms were approaching with anticipated heavy rainfall, 15 residences on Seaview Drive and Seacliff Way were asked to evacuate. The City of Richmond Emergency Operations Center (EOC) was activated to support the incident.

City of Richmond Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Status

On January 10, 2023, the City's EOC staffing transitioned from Partial Virtual Activation to Duty Officer status. Duty Officer status means that current duties continue, but the incident has reached a point where it is stable enough to be monitored by a designated Duty Officer. Deputy Fire Chief Aaron Osorio will serve as the Duty Officer. Moving to this status will allow EOC staff to scale back on daily briefings and focus on continued coordination of mitigation measures conducted by the Seacliff Homeowners' Association.

Deputy Fire Chief Osorio will monitor the situation to determine if the EOC needs to be reactivated either virtually or in person. An EOC briefing will now occur every Tuesday morning at 9:00 AM until further notice. The EOC's continued incident objectives are attached for review.

Communication with Surrounding Property Owners

The City sent correspondence to property owners adjacent to the known landslide (Richmond Cove 1 LLC, KM Phoenix Holdings LLC, and East Bay Regional Park District). This letter, attached for reference, informed the property owners that the exact extent of the landslide is unknown at this time and that the Seacliff Homeowners' Association retained experts to assess the extent of the landslide and implement temporary stabilization efforts. The City is recommending that the property owners retain an expert to assess the condition of their property.

Seaview Hillside Stabilization Efforts

Public works visited the site and took the photographs below. Contracted crews are still tarping the area, K-rails were installed on Seaview Drive, and the Seacliff turn lane closure is still intact. New corrugated drainage pipe was installed today.





City staff will continue to monitor and assess the area, and safety personnel will continue to secure the site with the aid of Allied Security Services.

Fire Department Update

The Fire Department staff is in communication with Engineered Soil Repair, Inc. daily. Fire personnel are prepared to respond if significant hillside movement occurs. Deputy Chief Osorio

met with California Office of Emergency Service (CAL OES) regarding submitting costs for reimbursement to the State of California. Reports will be submitted this Friday to Contra Costa County OES and to CAL OES on Monday. City of Richmond EOC Public Information Officers are continuing to field calls and update residents, as needed.



Evacuee Communication

Currently, evacuated residents are still unable to return to their homes. Expecting a break in the rain, Seaview Drive/Seacliff Way residents who require temporary access to their homes between 8:00 AM and 8:00 PM on January 12, 2023, may contact Battalion Chief Rico Rincon at EOCPIO@ci.richmond.ca.us.

At this time, temporary accommodations remain available at the Hyatt Place in Emeryville through the morning of January 16, 2023, and any extensions will be communicated to residents, as appropriate.

Website Publication – Seaview Incident and Storm-Related Impacts

The City developed a website with up-to-date information and a repository of past updates about the Seaview and other storm-related incidents:

<https://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/4447/EOC-Seaview-Incident-and-Additional-Storm>. Please visit the website and share the link!

Unsheltered Community Support

City staff continue to work with County staff and community organizations to determine how to best provide services and temporary shelter to the unhoused community.

On Tuesday, January 10, 2023, City staff assembled care packages that will be distributed to various encampments throughout the City by SOS! Richmond, the Richmond/San Pablo CORE Team, and Way2Love. These care packages include socks, a poncho or mylar blanket, hand warmers, lip balm, energy bars, water, and a tarp.

City staff developed a webpage that will provide information regarding shelter resources and available beds to track demand and need for additional beds: <https://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/4449/Shelter-Resources>. The capacity data is expected to be updated daily, Monday through Friday, while the storms are underway. In addition, City EOC staff continues to evaluate facilities and resources needed to establish and set up an emergency shelter under the EOC, if needed. The County Office of Emergency Services (OES) has reminded the City that the establishment of an emergency shelter, as part of the storm response, will require that there be evacuation orders and other eminent dangers identified. CAL OES also noted yesterday during its Statewide briefing that cities should reach out to their respective Counties if Red Cross support is needed to open and provide emergency shelters when shelter capacity exceed needs.

Below is the capacity at the shelters as provided by Health Services today, January 11, 2023. Please keep in mind that the numbers may fluctuate slightly as people are placed in or leave facilities.

Family Shelters:

- Bay Area Rescue Mission (BARM) for Women and Children in Richmond: 5 beds open
- Greater Richmond Interfaith Program (GRIP): Can accept 3 families
- Mt View Family Shelter in Martinez: Can accept 5 families
- Pittsburg Family Center: Can accept 3 families

Single Adults:

- BARM: 9 adult men
- GRIP: 16 adults
- Delta Landing in Pittsburg: 6 adults
- Trinity Center/Armory in Walnut Creek: 37 adults
- Concord Service Center: 4 adults

Pets are allowed at Delta Landing and Concord, and service animals are permitted at the Armory/Trinity Center.

On December 20, 2022, City Council approved a contract with RCF Connects (RCF) to provide short-term emergency sheltering support and develop and implement a housing first program. Staff is finalizing the contract with RCF and expects to have RCF available to secure

short-term hoteling for residents, if necessary. RCF recognizes the need for this service and is prioritizing the implementation of this program.

Anyone needing assistance with shelter placement should contact the Contra Costa Crisis Center by calling 211.

City of Richmond staff continue to work around the clock to provide excellent service to our community.

Warm regards,
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