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PRESS RELEASE TSUNAMI ADVISORY #2

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A tsunami reached the Santa Cruz County coast at approximately 7:45am. Damage has occurred in the Santa Cruz Small Craft Harbor. Two docks and three vessels have sustained major damage and a number of other vessels have minor damage. At this time, there is a preliminary estimate of approximately \$2 million dollars in damages. A proclamation of a local emergency has been declared by the Director of Emergency Services.

Residents should be aware that an evacuation advisory is still in effect and all beaches are closed. All residents are asked to stay away from the coastal areas until authorities give the all clear. **Due to the nature of the tsunami, subsequent waves are likely occur which may be higher than the initial wave and can cause serious damage and flooding.**

Residents are advised to call 211 for information on evacuation areas. The 211 operators will also know when the all clear sign has been given.

Road closure information can be accessed at www.sccroadclosure.org.

Refer also the Santa Cruz County website at www.co.santa-cruz.ca.us for further information and websites.

