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DISASTER RECOVERY CENTERS TO OPEN

The County of Santa Cruz, in conjunction with federal, State and local partners, has opened a Disaster Recovery Center at Ramsey Park in Watsonville.

A second site will open shortly within the San Lorenzo Valley. Details will be provided as soon as they are available.

The Ramsay Park Disaster Recovery Center includes staff from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), the California Office of Emergency Service (CalOES), the County of Santa Cruz, the City of Watsonville, and various state, local and community agencies that include disaster recovery as part of their mission.

President Biden approved a major disaster declaration for the County of Santa Cruz and several other California counties due to a series of atmospheric rivers beginning Dec. 27, 2022. Anyone impacted by the disaster is invited to visit the Disaster Recovery Center to access information and resources needed for recovery, regardless of the type of damage suffered, location of impacted residence or business, insurance status, immigration status, or any other factor.

The deadline to apply for FEMA individual assistance is March 16, 2023.

The Ramsay Park Disaster Recovery Center is located at 1301 Main St., Watsonville. After opening at noon January 21, 2023, it will be open daily from 9 a.m.-7 p.m.