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# **MEDIA RELEASE**

## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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### **WINTER WEATHER AND POSSIBLE LOCAL FLOODING**

Heavy rainfall and winter weather are impacting Lincoln County and surrounding areas.

The National Weather Service has issued a Flood Warning for the [Siletz River](#) in effect from Thursday, December 18th to Friday, December 19th. Current estimates show the river is expected to rise above flood stage (16 feet) this evening and crest around 24.3 feet later tonight. It is expected to fall below flood stage Friday morning.

With heavy rain, debris, and rising river levels, roads may become unsafe. Significant rainfall and wind may cause hazardous conditions including local flooding and possible landslides.

Suggestion actions:

- Take appropriate preventative actions for possible winter weather, power outages, and flooding.
  - Winter Weather preparedness: [www.ready.gov/winter-weather](http://www.ready.gov/winter-weather)
  - Power Outage prepared: [www.ready.gov/power-outages](http://www.ready.gov/power-outages)
  - Flooding preparedness: [www.weather.gov/safety/flood](http://www.weather.gov/safety/flood)
- Continue to monitor local conditions and alerts
  - Siletz River Level Monitoring: [water.noaa.gov/gauges/SILO3](http://water.noaa.gov/gauges/SILO3)
  - Other River Levels Monitoring: [www.co.lincoln.or.us/757/Hazards-Flooding-River-Monitoring](http://www.co.lincoln.or.us/757/Hazards-Flooding-River-Monitoring)
  - Lincoln Alerts – Receive local emergency alerts: [member.everbridge.net/892807736721689/notif](http://member.everbridge.net/892807736721689/notif)
  - Lincoln County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) Media Releases: [flashalert.net/id/LCSO](http://flashalert.net/id/LCSO)

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