



ALPINE COUNTY UNIFIED COMMAND

DATE: August 8, 2022

RE: Alpine County Operations and Services Update

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: THE ALPINE COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ANNOUNCES A GO FUND ME TO SUPPORT THE COMMUNITY OF MARKLEEVILLE. MAIL SERVICES IN MARKLEEVILLE WILL CONTINUE AT THE GARDNERVILLE RANCHOS POST OFFICE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. HEALTH SERVICES FOR MARKLEEVILLE RESIDENTS ARE LOCATED IN THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING LOCATED AT 99 WATER STREET, MARKLEEVILLE, CA 96120 ON TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS FROM 8 AM – 12 PM BY APPOINTMENT ONLY. APPOINTMENTS CAN BE MADE BY CALLING 530-694-2146.

The US Postal Service will be conducting a safety inspection of the Markleeville Post Office to certify the building for operations. After the building is certified for occupation, the USPS will resume operations in Markleeville. **Estimated time for reopening is still to be determined.** Hours of operation will be limited due to additional travel time and staffing.

The Alpine County Chamber of Commerce announced a GoFundMe account for financial assistance for the community as a result of the flash flooding and debris flows in the Markleeville area. **The link to the GoFundMe can be found at the following link:** <https://gofund.me/15312fac>.

Alpine County announced a satellite site for Alpine County Health Services in Markleeville located at the **Alpine County Administration Building – 99 Water St., Markleeville, CA 96120**. Services will be available Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8 AM – 12 PM by appointment only. Appointments can be made by calling **530-694-2146**.

Caltrans is working closely with Alpine County and our partners to expedite the reopening of SR-89. A plan is underway to install temporary drainage facilities under SR-89 at Mulberry Creek and perform other essential work to **safely reopen the roadway in both directions, perhaps in two weeks**, if not sooner. This plan is weather permitting. Any interference with the construction site will cause delays so please avoid the area.

Markleeville Public Utility District reported the facility is stable and there is no concern at this time.

Alpine County encourages residents and visitors to avoid to construction area to ensure no delays to the construction schedule for the bridge repair. Additionally, Alpine County reminds residents and visitors to stay vigilant due to the potential for storms this week.

Road Closure Information: <https://quickmap.dot.ca.gov/>

Flash Flood Warning & Watch Mapping: <https://arcg.is/1XqXLW>

Weather Information: <https://www.weather.gov/rev/>

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Caltrans Enacts Emergency Plan to Install Culvert and Reopen State Route 89

ALPINE COUNTY – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has enacted an emergency order to install temporary drainage facilities on State Route 89 near Markleeville (Alpine County) in an effort to reopen the highway as safely and expeditiously as possible.

Route 89 currently remains closed from Turtle Rock Park to Route 4 due to a devastating mud slide and debris flow in the Tamarack Fire burn scar area that washed out a culvert at Mulberry Creek, north of the town, on Wednesday, August 3, 2022.



Construction crews have started and will work 12-hour shifts, seven days a week to install the new drainage facilities and repair the road. The estimated time of reopening both lanes is significantly reduced from 5-6 weeks to 2-3 weeks, perhaps sooner. This schedule is subject to change due to traffic incidents, weather, availability of equipment, and/or materials and construction related issues.

The emergency order also calls for construction of a temporary road FOR EMERGENCY RESPONDERS ONLY. The traveling public and pedestrians are not permitted to use the temporary road due to safety concerns. Caltrans and our partners ask for your cooperation and thank you for your patience.

Markleeville is open for business! Visitors can access the community via SR-89 Monitor Pass and SR-4 Ebbetts Pass.

District 10 Maintenance from the Mountain Region responded immediately by

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deploying equipment and personnel to remove mud and debris.

Crews currently are continuing the cleanup effort.

Follow @CaltransDistrict10 on social media for updates. For road information, visit Quickmap.dot.ca.gov or download the app to your smart phone or device.



For the safety of workers and other motorists, please **Be Work Zone Alert!**

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