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COORDINATED AGENCY RECOVERY EFFORT

C.A.R.E. is a multi-agency public outreach program to disseminate information about recovery efforts and potential storm impacts following the August/September 2009 California wildfires.

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Agencies Respond to Paseo Del Mar Incident

A multi-agency effort is being coordinated in response to a potential landslide that is occurring on Paseo Del Mar in San Pedro.

The ground movement has already caused cracks and fissures that have forced the closure of Paseo Del Mar between Weymouth and Western Avenues and agencies are coordinating the rerouting of affected storm drains, sewer and water lines, and utilities in the slide area.

The White Point Nature Preserve and White Point Beach remain open to the public. Sewer lines to both beach and nature preserve restrooms have been capped and the restrooms replaced with portable facilities. No homes or buildings are threatened by the slope failure.

Engineers and geologists from the City and County of Los Angeles have been monitoring the situation for several months following incidents of street subsidence along Paseo Del Mar.

The City of Los Angeles Department of Public Works Bureau of Sanitation has capped sewer lines and the Department of Water and Power has capped water lines as a precautionary measure, while the County Public Works Department is developing plans to reroute storm drains away from the failure. The City's Recreation and Parks Department also shut down an adjacent irrigation system.

Other agencies currently responding to the incident include the City's Bureaus of Engineering, Street Services and Sanitation, and Department of Transportation, the County's Beaches and Harbors Department, Southern California Edison and the Gas Company. Additional City and County resources may be requested if the level of response is elevated.

In the meantime, the partner agencies have established a link on the Coordinated Agency Recovery Effort (CARE) website to provide details about the unfolding situation.

The White Point Incident link includes up-to-date information about road closures and utility service disruptions, local maps, photographs of current damage, and a brief history of the geographically unstable area that has been prone to past land mass failures. The CARE website was established following the 2009 Station Fire to advise county residents of weather and geographical related incidents. It can be found at www.dpwcare.org.

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