New storm to slam coast

By The Associated Press

A six-family Sausalito condomimum building, its supersaturated foundations turned to mush by repeated heavy rain, inched downhill today as a new showers approached to deal yet more punishment to storm-weary Northern California.

"I declared the building uninhabitable Tuesday and ordered all utilities disconnected," said Sausalito Chief Building Inpspector Bob Gilland. "All the people have moved out."

The structure has traveled more than 3 inches downhill toward San Francisco Bay and shows no sign of stopping, said Gilland.

The wood frame and stucco structure is at the northeast corner of a development called Anchorage Condominiums, about three blocks above the bay on a steep hillside east of State Highway 101 on the north end of the city.

Gilland said the building, one of about 10 in the 1960s development, had moved 2 inches when he was first alerted to the emergency at 1 p.m. Tuesday. A half-hour later, he declared the building uninhabitable, and by midday Wednesday the building had moved another 1½ inches.

The new storm, preceded by a freak tornado and rising rivers, struck the

northern reaches of California out of the Pacific during the morning, and expected by the Weather Service to arrive in Central California late afternoon.

As much as $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches of rain were forecast for low-lying areas and the mountains were expected to receive 4 to 6 inches of rain — amounting to about 2 to 4 feet of snow.

"Local flooding is possible in low-lying areas, small streams and underpasses during the heavy rain," the weather service warned this morning.

A rogue tornado accompanied by heavy

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rain descended upon the California heartland at about 2:15 p.m. Tuesday, ripping up about \$500,000 worth of property in Roseville and Citrus Heights, some 15 miles northeast of Sacramento. There were no reports of injuries.

The twister skipped along a block-wide path three-quarters of a mile long, seriously harming 17 mobile homes, 12 houses and two commercial buildings, said Alex Cunningham, director of the state Office of Emergency Services.

Local officials said as many as 50

houses and several stores received "minor to moderate damage."

The storm tore the roof off a building supply store and hurled a camper through the living room window of one house.

Tuesday's heavy rains, more than an inch in places, caused rivers to rise throughout northern California, and the weather service said the Sacramento River was expected to reach flood stage today at Tehama, the Vina Woodson Bridge and at Ord Ferry.

But the Tehama County Sheriff's office said early this morning that it hadn't received any word of flood problems.