

County Board Declares New Emergency Status

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County supervisors Tuesday declared a new state of emergency to acquire federal aid for homes and roads damaged by late March rains.

Earlier in the day, the county board extended the first state of emergency that dates from the Jan. 4 storm that caused millions of dollars in damage to homes and roads and killed 22 persons.

Acting County Administrator George Newell said the March 30 storm has damaged approximately 15 more homes and 16 or more roads have received new or increased damage.

Roads closed in the recent storm are San Lorenzo Way (bridge), Harkins Slough, Hubbard Gulch, Jamison Creek at 236 and Empire Grade, Love Creek (continued), Redwood Lodge, Schultz Road and Valley View off Zayante. Some may be new damage on roads that were damaged in early January.

Also damaged were Bean Creek Road, Clear Creek, Eureka Canyon, Lee Road at Harkins Slough, Lower Lake Boulevard, Paulson at Whiting, Valencia and Zayante Road which is open only to block 7000.

Newell said his office was advised by the state it would be wiser to declare a new state of emergency since it could mean the county will be included in the federal state of emergency that is expected to be granted to Santa Clara County which was hard hit by the late March storm.