



March 2019

Dear Neighbors,

Heavy rainfall and flooding that occurred in late February have impacted our community in numerous ways. If you were impacted, please review the following information on potential resources, or pass it along to anyone you know who may need such assistance.

Storm Damage Data Collection and Assistance

The Gold Ridge and Sonoma Resource Conservation Districts (RCDs) are working with the County of Sonoma to document damage to private properties (both residential and commercial) that were affected by streambank erosion and slope failure triggered by the February 2019 storm event. The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) may be able to provide technical advice and/or financial assistance for landowners to address these impacts if they are determined to be a threat to life or property. Documentation of damage is the first necessary step. The RCDs are collecting initial documentation of property damage from landowners and submitting it to NRCS who will assess whether they may be able to assist. NRCS will then conduct site visits with RCD staff.

How to Document Damage on Your Property

If your property has been impacted by storm related erosion or slope failure that threaten life or property, **please send the following form completed and no more than 5 photos documenting the damage at your property to either RCD before April 5th, 2019.**

There are three ways to submit your materials:

- 1) By Google Form Online:

Gold Ridge RCD
www.goldridgercd.org

Sonoma RCD
www.sonomarc.org

*The online form is posted on each RCD's website home page under **Latest News** or **What's New**. Or, click: <https://forms.gle/JPpgC3eyPfuwvvpV7>*

- 2) By Email:

Gold Ridge RCD
Jason@goldridgercd.org

Sonoma RCD
afairbrook@sonomarc.org

3) By Mail:

Gold Ridge RCD

Attn: Jason Hoorn
Gold Ridge RCD
2776 Sullivan Road
Sebastopol, CA 95472

Sonoma RCD

Attn: Aaron Fairbrook
Sonoma RCD
1221 Farmers Lane, Suite F
Santa Rosa, CA 95405

For Further Information

Please contact either RCD at:

Gold Ridge RCD

Jason Hoorn
Program Manager
707-823-5244

Sonoma RCD

Aaron Fairbrook
Program Manager
707-569-1448 x106

If you are not sure which RCD area covers your property, you may contact either one and we will make sure your information gets to the right place!

Please Note

This is not a program to assist with damage to homes from flood waters (e.g. mud or debris inside homes, damaged sheetrock or appliances, etc.). For more information and resources for damage to homes, please visit <https://socoemergency.org/> and look for “2019 Russian River Flood Recovery Information,” or click: <https://socoemergency.org/home/recover/2019-flood/>

Storm Damage Information Form

*Please send the following form completed and no more than 5 photos documenting the damage at your property to either RCD before **April 5th, 2019**. Follow the submission instructions in the attached letter.*

Street Address: _____

Parcel Number: _____

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone Number: _____

Describe the natural resource-related damage that occurred on your property as a result of the February 2019 storm event (e.g. streambank erosion, damage to structures or private infrastructure, imminent hazard to homes and buildings):

Describe how this damage presents a threat to life and/or property:

Has this problem already been previously repaired in the last 10 years?

Are you including photos documenting the damage at your property (no more than 5 photos) with this form?

- No, I do not have the ability to submit photos
- Yes, I have included them with this form