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PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Date: 4-2-19

During the early evening hours, a weather event rolled through Chico bring a tremendous amount of rain and hail. For the next several hours the Chico Police Department was inundated with reports of flooded roadways and residences. Additional staffing was called in to assist with responses to emergency calls for service. The large amount of water in such a short amount of time overwhelmed roadways and drainage systems. There were no reports of swift water flowing, however numerous intersections and low roadways filled with up to 3 or more feet of water. Several dozen vehicles became disabled in various locations throughout the city.

For several hours after the rains ceased, the Chico Police Department along with other City staff (Department of Public Works, and Chico Fire Department) continued to actively patrol the streets, clearing abandoned vehicles and moving debris. Although flooding of this magnitude is extremely rare within the City, citizens are reminded not to drive into flood waters as the depths are difficult to judge and can quickly disable a vehicle.

Location: City of Chico

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Victim: N/A

Suspect: N/A

Supervisor: Jeramie Struthers C8

A-Side Watch Commander

