

Media Advisory – Sept. 22, 2009

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DEM offers safety tips for fall/winter weather

Snohomish County's Department of Emergency Management (DEM) will offer disaster preparedness tips during a number of events scheduled for this Saturday, Sept. 26.

In the past three years, Snohomish County has responded to six disasters that were later declared to be federal disasters. With each event, people who prepared for flooding, extended snows and ice fared better than those who didn't.

To encourage preparedness in time for the fall and winter flood seasons, DEM staff will be available at the following events to offer advice on how to become aware of dangers associated with different disasters, how to make basic preparations, and how to help neighbors in need.

- **Weather Radio Event:** 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Sept. 26, Wal-Mart, Tulalip;
- **Preparedness Event:** 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Sept. 26, Lowes, Lynnwood;
- **Emergency Operations Center Training:** September 26, Snohomish County DEM,

Snohomish County DEM is proudly partnering with local volunteers, agency partners, and other government departments to promote safety, preparedness and assistance during a busy season.

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