

County Impacts Associated with Tropical Storm Hilary (2023)

Narratives listed in alphabetical order by counties.

Updates:

- 08/24/2023 - Initial issuance.

County Name	Injuries:	Fatalities:	Evacuations:
Los Angeles	0	0	5
<p>Numerous flooded roads, mudslides, rockslides, road closures, power outages, trees downed etc. According to the L.A. Times “The first tropical storm to hit Los Angeles in 84 years dumped record rainfall and turned streets into muddy, debris-swollen rivers; downed trees and knocked out power for thousands of residents; and closed schools across the Southland.” Evacuation Warning was given for Santa Catalina Island. Evacuation Warnings were given for Juniper Hills (San Gabriel Mountains) and the Valyermo area (Mojave Desert in Antelope Valley), Lake Hughes (Sierra Pelona Mountains northwest of Palmdale) and the Kings Canyon (Antelope Valley) area due to possible mud/debris flows. Avalon Harbor (Santa Catalina Island) reported no marine impacts aside from dewatering their boats and small craft. The Los Angeles river peaked at 10.24 ft (at Tujunga Ave) on Sunday 8/20, which was below the 12 ft action stage. The L.A. Times wrote that local beaches “appear to have escaped serious damage.” The article continued, “Overall, we made it through OK,” said Nicole Mooradian, public information specialist with LA County’s Department of Beaches and Harbors, in an email. “We saw erosion at our most vulnerable beaches, but it could have been much worse.” During a news conference on 8/21, Los Angeles Mayor Karen Bass reported that there had been no deaths or serious injuries.</p>			

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Ventura	0	0	0
<p>Numerous flooded roads, mudslides, rockslides, road closures, power outages, trees downed etc. One swift water rescue was made in the Santa Clara River near Fillmore. Record daily rainfall was recorded on the city of Oxnard (1.77 inches). Conejo Creek at Ridge View (near Camarillo) reached Minor flood stage late on Sunday 8/20 which mostly impacted a nearby farm field. Three homes experienced flooding elsewhere in Camarillo, but no communities required evacuation per Ventura County OES. No fatalities related to the storm were reported. Ventura Harbor Patrol personnel said the beach erosion was “minor” from the storm and actually produced some mud/sand deposits from river runoff.</p>			