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Emergency Procedures during a Flood Threat

1. If you live in a flash flood area such as a mountain valley, be especially alert for floods. If you suspect a flash flood, do not wait until you are instructed to move. Go immediately to higher ground.
2. Never disregard a flood warning.
3. If you receive a flood warning, listen to your radio for emergency instructions. Proceed with emergency preparations if evacuation is not yet necessary.
4. If you are the first in your immediate area to know about the flood, report the situation to authorities.
5. Do not tie up telephone lines. Keep the lines open for emergency use.
6. Do not pass along rumors.
7. Be ready to help with rescue operations if called upon.
8. Never disregard an official evacuation advisory. If you are advised to evacuate, do so immediately. Family safety is more important than protection of property or possessions. Evacuation is much simpler and safer before flood waters are too deep for ordinary vehicles. Listen to your radio and follow directions for evacuation routes.