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PREPARE NOW FOR POTENTIAL SPRING FLOODING

With above-average snowfall in the Uinta Mountains and the Uintah Basin this winter, the Duchesne County Emergency Management Office encourages county residents to be aware of the possibility of spring flooding. Sudden warming or a rain-on-snow event could trigger floods in certain parts of the county. If you are residing in an area where your property could be affected by high water levels, we encourage you to make plans and take action now to reduce the potential for damage or hazards that may arise from the anticipated spring run-off.

If spring flooding does occur, county crews must first focus on protecting public infrastructure and broader community needs and may not have the ability to meet individual property owners' needs. Individuals should consider their potential for sustaining flood damage and take proactive measures to reduce it. Measures that you can take now include stocking up on sandbags or clearing debris from nearby watercourses.

For flood mitigation information, please call the County Emergency Management Office at 435-602-7001.