



3.5 Ratification of Proclamation of Local Emergency

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BACKGROUND

- ▶ The San José area has seen a series of wet and cold weather events over the past six weeks, with rain events beginning in late November through the beginning of the New Year.
- ▶ In the month of December, the City of San José received 50% more rain than normal (3.40" compared to 2.29").
- ▶ The primary impact from the recent storms affected our vulnerable unhoused residents who are living and sheltering along rivers and creeks.

City of San José Response

- ▶ The City established an Incident Management Team (IMT) within the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) on Friday, December 30, 2022 in anticipation of flooding from multiple significant Atmospheric Rivers forecasts.
- ▶ In consultation with the department directors in the EOC and phone conferences with the National Weather Service and Valley Water, and with evidence by the increasing flood threat, the Director of Emergency Services (City Manager) signed a proclamation of a Local Emergency at 5:30 a.m. on January 3, 2023.
- ▶ The action included an evacuation order within the boundary of the creeks and rivers in order to protect life.

Key Priorities

**Protect the Lives
of the Most
Vulnerable**

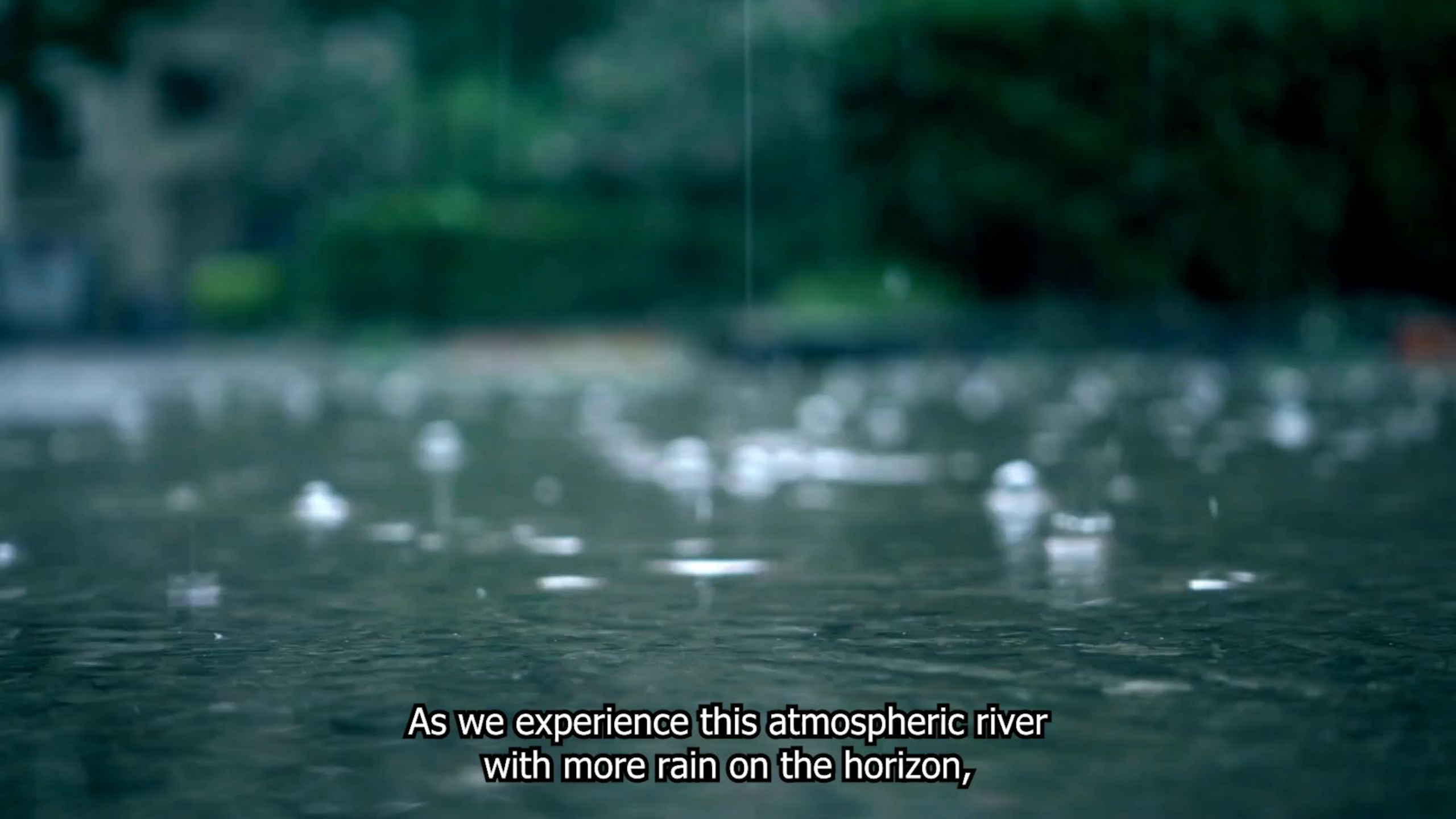
**Protect Property
from damage**

**Protect the
Environment**

**Communication
& Coordination**

Council Action

- ▶ Pursuant to Title 8, Chapter 8.08 Part 2 Section 808.210 of the San José Municipal Code and the California Government Code, Section 8680.9.
- ▶ City Council must ratify the Proclamation of Local Emergency by the Emergency Services Director within seven (7) days.



As we experience this atmospheric river
with more rain on the horizon,