

EL NIÑO

2026/2027 SEASON

Forecasts indicate the potential for El Niño conditions in the 2026/2027 season. Now is the time to prepare our homes, properties and community for heavy rains, flooding and high winds.



BE PREPARED. BE PROTECTED. BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR.



STAY INFORMED

Monitor weather forecasts and stay alert for updates from local officials and SDCEA.



HAVE A PLAN

Review your emergency plan with family and know your evacuation routes.



PREPARE A KIT

Stock essential supplies including water, food, medications, flashlights and batteries.



SIGN UP FOR ALERTS

Ensure you are signed up for emergency alerts from San Diego County by visiting AlertSanDiego.org.



CHECK ON NEIGHBORS

Look out for elderly or vulnerable neighbors and offer assistance if needed.

PREPARE YOUR PROPERTY. PROTECT OUR COMMUNITY.



PREPARE YOUR LANDSCAPING

- Clear leaves, debris and branches from yards, roofs and drains.
- Secure loose items, pots and outdoor furniture.
- Consider water-wise landscaping that allows for proper drainage.



PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY

- Ensure gutters and downspouts are clean and direct water away from structures.
- Check grading and drainage so water flows away from your home and does not impact neighboring properties.
- Inspect and repair roofs, windows, doors and exterior surfaces.



SANDBAGS AVAILABLE

Sandbags are available at the San Diego Country Estates Fire Station for member use.

Be prepared—place sandbags in areas susceptible to water intrusion or flooding.



TREE SAFETY MATTERS

- **Contact** local tree trimming companies to have trees laced, thinned and inspected.
- Ensure trees are not top heavy, diseased, or at risk of splitting or being blown over in high winds.



DRAIN REPORTING

Any **street** drains or **storm** drains, basins and channels get reported to San Diego County Public Works.
Any **common area** drains get reported to the San Diego Country Estates Association Landscaping/Open Space Department.



POWER OUTAGE PREP

- Test flashlights and batteries.
- Have a backup power plan for medical devices or other critical needs.
- For power outages or electrical issues, contact San Diego Gas & Electric (SDG&E): **1-800-411-7343** or visit sdge.com.



TREE REMOVAL OR LANDSCAPE MODIFICATIONS REQUIRE APPLICATION AND APPROVAL

Tree removal or landscape modifications require a Landscaping Application and approval by the San Diego Country Estates Environmental Control Committee. Applications can be processed through the Community Relations Department.



FOR QUESTIONS REGARDING ASSOCIATION, STANDARDS OR THE ARCHITECTURAL APPLICATION PROCESS, PLEASE REACH OUT TO COMMUNITY RELATIONS.



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Thank you!

Thank you for doing your part to keep San Diego Country Estates safe, prepared, and resilient during the upcoming El Niño season.

