



# City of Monterey Park

## Recommendations for Hillside Protection

### PURPOSE

With the rainfall from the recent storms, the slopes in our community are saturated and lend themselves to mudslides. The City of Monterey Park is concerned about your property and your safety. Therefore, we have put together a helpful hint sheet so that you may undertake steps that should protect your family and home.

### Prior to Storms

- Become familiar with your surroundings. Have possible evacuation routes thought out in advance.
2. Watch the patterns of storm-water drainage on slopes near your home. Especially note the places where runoff water converges, increasing flow over your hillsides. Watch the hillsides around your home for any signs of land movement, such as small mudslides or debris flows or trees that begin to tilt.
  3. During periods of sunshine, if possible, leave already soaked hillside areas uncovered for the purpose of letting the hills dry out.
  4. Facilitate any runoff by channeling water away from the slopes and structures.
  5. We strongly recommend that you turn-off your irrigation systems and/or stop watering vegetation.
  6. Within 48 hours of any anticipated storm, cover your hillsides with plastic. Plastic rolls may be purchased at hardware stores or large home improvement centers. In an emergency, a limited amount of plastic rolls may be available at the Fire Department Headquarters located at 350 W. Newmark Avenue in our city.
  7. Sandbags can be utilized to secure plastic sheeting and to channel water away from structures. Sand and Sandbags are available for free at the Fire Department Headquarters.

## During Intense Storms

Stay alert! Many debris-flow injuries occur when people are sleeping. Listen to a radio for warnings of intense rainfall. Be aware that intense short bursts of rain may be particularly dangerous, especially after longer periods of heavy rainfall and damp weather.

2. If you are in areas susceptible to mudslides, consider leaving if it is safe to do so. Remember that driving during storms requires extra attention and awareness.
3. Listen for any unusual sounds that might indicate moving debris, such as trees cracking or boulders knocking together. A trickle of flowing or falling mud or debris may precede larger flows.
4. If you have noticed any mudslide and/or hillside failure, contact a soil engineer or other qualified licensed contractor (list attached) to assess and mitigate the potential hazard to your property.

## What to do if you suspect imminent mudslide danger

Evacuate your home.

2. Call 9-1-1 Emergency to report the danger.
3. Inform affected neighbors, if it is safe to do so.

For more information, or if you are disabled or elderly and may need some assistance, please contact the City of Monterey Park Public Works Department at (626) 307-1320.

You may visit us on the web at: [www.ci.monterey-park.ca.us](http://www.ci.monterey-park.ca.us)

If you need assistance in translating this document, visit the City Hall information desk or call (626) 307-1320.

Si necesita asistencia en Español, visite la oficina de informacion en la municipalidad o hable al telefono 626-307-1320.

若您需要協助翻譯這份文件，請到市政府  
資訊中心或電 (626) 307-1320 詢問詳情。

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## **HELPFUL HINTS IN OBTAINING A CONTRACTOR**

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**STATE OF CALIFORNIA LICENSED CONTRACTOR  
IT IS RECOMMENDED TO GET THREE REFERENCES  
PROVIDE PROOF OF LIABILITY AND WORKMAN'S COMP INSURANCE  
MAKE SURE THEY OBTAIN ALL NECESSARY PERMITS  
FROM THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK  
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONCERNING CONTRACTORS CALL  
THE STATE CONTRACTORS LICENSE BOARD AT (800) 321-2752**

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以下幾點可幫助您選擇營建商

- 需備有合法加州執照的營建商
- 查問三家曾做完工程後的客戶已備參考
- 必須備有責任險及雇員工傷保險
- 必須到蒙特利市市政府申請所需要的施工許可
- 若有任何問題關於營建商請致電聯絡各加州營建商執照考核委員會 (800) 321-2752 查問詳情

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## **CONSEJOS PARA OBTENER UN CONTRATISTA**

*Contratistas licenciados en California*

*Es recomendado conseguir tres referencias*

*Es necesario tener comprobante del seguro para los trabajadores y responsabilidad.*

- *Este segura de obtener todos los permisos necesarios de la ciudad de Monterey Park.*
- *Para mas information sobre contratistas llame al (800) 321-2752 del departamento del estado para contratistas.*