



## **Buchanan County Emergency Management**

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

More Flooding Predicted in Buchanan County

The National Weather Service in Davenport predicts river and flash flooding in Buchanan County.

Residents in Independence can bag sand at the Independence City Shop on 12<sup>th</sup> Street N.E. or the RiversEDGE at the old Fareway building on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street S.W. next to the bridge. Jesup residents can bag sand at the Buchanan County Shop, downtown Jesup location at 831 Douglas Street, just north of the railroad tracks. Additionally, pre-filled sandbags are located at the Cromwell Unit at the MHI in Independence. The Cromwell Unit is located on the southeast side of the MHI grounds. Volunteers would be appreciated at all locations. Bring gloves and shovels. All other communities should contact their local city hall or fire department.

Roads in Buchanan County may have been comprised. Exhibit extreme caution when approaching bridges and traveling on gravel roads; do not drive through water. Avoid areas marked by barricade or flag. If you note an unmarked area please report to the Buchanan County Roads Department at 319-334-6031 or Buchanan County Emergency Management at 319-334-6411 and ideally mark to warn others.

Residents are urged not to wait until the last minute and take action now due to the expected quickness of rising river water.

The Buchanan County Emergency Management requests sightseers to stay away to keep traffic flowing for those attempting to move items from their residence.

Refer to Buchanan County Emergency Management website at <http://www.buchanancountyiowa.org> for updates and river water levels.

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