



# Chelan County Sheriff's Office

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For Immediate Release

Contact: Sergeant Kent Sisson

Incident: **Special Weather Statement**

**Extended Rainfall Expected**

Phone: 509-630-7506

Date: 10/21/2014

<http://www.co.chelan.wa.us>

The Chelan County Sheriff's Office Division of Emergency Management is asking the public to remain attentive during the extended rainfall event predicted for the remainder of this week. Citizens residing within or adjacent to wildfire burn scar areas caused by either the 2013 or 2014 summer fires are asked to be especially vigilant. Heavy or extended rainfall over a burn scar can cause debris flows and mud slides which may create a public safety hazard. If you observe a hazard or potential hazard during the extended rainfall, please contact the emergency management office at 509-667-6863 or RIVERCOM dispatch at 509-663-9911.

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#### HYDROLOGIC STATEMENT

National Weather Service Spokane, WA  
1111 AM PDT TUE OCT 21 2014

...Significant incoming moisture from the Pacific will bring a steady rain to the Cascades which will potentially affect creeks streams and rivers...

The steeper slopes burned this past summer in Chelan and Okanogan counties could experience some mud slides due to the upcoming period of steady rainfall. Large flash floods or debris flows are not expected since rain intensity will be low throughout the event. If you notice creeks that are backing up behind plugged culverts or debris dams and are coming out of their banks...please call your local emergency management officials or the National Weather Service so an alert message can be widely distributed.

Another round of rain is anticipated toward the beginning of next week which may affect the Cascade area as well.

Monitor current water levels on the web at:  
<http://water.weather.gov/ahps2/index.php?wfo=otx>

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