



Emergency Message for U.S. Citizens: Fiji Reports Heavy Flooding

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The U.S. Embassy in Suva, Fiji, alerts U.S. citizens residing in or traveling to the Republic of the Fiji that torrential rains have created widespread flooding in low-lying areas throughout the country.

Major roads have been closed, and re-opened roads may be difficult to use because of downed power lines and debris. Electricity, water, and landline telephone communications in some of the most affected areas have also been disrupted due to flooding. If you are traveling to Fiji in on a holiday in the next few days, you should check with the resort/hotel where you will be staying to determine if guests are encountering problems getting from the airport to the resort. If you are planning a business trip and/or visit family, please check with your airlines whether roads are open/accessible to your destination. More rainfall and possibly more flooding are predicted in the next three to four days on Fiji's islands. For updated weather information, please consult the Fiji Meteorological Service's website.

Tell family and friends in the United States of your whereabouts, and keep in close contact with your tour operator, hotel staff, and local officials for information about the flooding, including possible evacuation and shelter information. Please protect your travel and identity documents against loss or damage, as the need to replace lost documentation could delay or otherwise complicate your return to the United States.

For the latest security information, U.S. citizens living and traveling abroad should regularly monitor the Department's Bureau of Consular Affairs Internet web site at <http://travel.state.gov>, where the current Worldwide Caution, Travel Alerts, Travel Warnings, and health-information resources can be found. Up-to-date information on security can also be obtained by calling 1-888-407-4747 toll free in the U.S. and Canada or, for callers in other areas by calling a regular toll line at 1-202-501-4444. These numbers are available from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays).

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