



# CALTRANS COMMUTER ALERT

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**Date:** Thursday, December 18, 2008  
**District:** 8 – San Bernardino  
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**WHAT:** **STORM WATCH**  
**WHEN:** **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2008 (1200)**  
**WHERE:** **SAN BERNARDINO & RIVERSIDE COUNTIES**

**CHAINS ARE REQUIRED IN ALL MOUNTAIN AREAS!**  
**TRUCKS AND BUSES ARE RESTRICTED IN THE**  
**SAN BERNARDINO MOUNTAINS**

**If a road is not listed it is open without restrictions.**

HIGHWAY	STATUS	REASON	DURATION
I-15 from Baker to Primm, NV	OPEN		Possible escorts
SR-18 from Big Bear Dam to Talbot (toward Big Bear) CLOSED – motorists use SR-38 from the Dam through Fawnskin – turn right at Stanfield into Big Bear	CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE	SNOW	Unknown
SR-38 closed at Mill Creek – open above Mill Creek	CLOSED at Mill Creek	SNOW	Unknown
SR-74 from SR-371 to Palm Desert	R-1	SNOW	
SR-2 from Big Pines to SR-138	R-2	SNOW	
SR-138 I-15 to LA County Line	R-2	SNOW	
SR-18 from 4000' level to Mitsubishi Plant	R-2	SNOW	
SR-173 from SR-189 to Grass Valley Rd.	R-2	SNOW	
SR-189 from SR-18 to SR-173	R-2	SNOW	
SR-243	R-1	SNOW	
SR-371 from Anza to SR-74	R-1	SNOW	

**CHAIN CONTROL REQUIREMENT LEVELS:**

- R-1: Chains are required on all commercial vehicles (trucks or buses). All other vehicles (cars, pick-ups, vans, etc.) must have either snow tread tires or chains on the drive axle.
- R-2: Chains are required on all vehicles except four-wheel drives with snow tread tires. Four-wheel drive vehicles must carry chains in the vehicle.
- R-3: Chains required - ALL VEHICLES - no exceptions.





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