

# More Ideas and Tips on Winter Readiness

Now that rains have probably revealed some drainage issues: Check for low spots near your house's foundation or areas that send water that way, and do what you can so water will course away from the house. Make sure you're not sending it toward a neighbor. You can check at a hardware store for flexible piping to attach to the bottom of your drainpipe to move gutter-water further away from the foundation.

Find a high spot to park your vehicle(s). Check to make sure it's not in a low area that could get flooded and/or muddy, causing it to get stuck.

Get ready with sandbags. Only fill them half or a third. That makes them less heavy and stackable for a better seal. There is a sandpile at the sheriff's substation in PRS.

Get a crank radio. Get a good flashlight with lots of extra batteries. Stay tuned to KWMR.

Store valuable documents where you can grab them if you have to evacuate. In *Getting Ready for Winter, #2* (the LA Times article with many ideas), a thumb drive for documents was suggested.

Go to [readymarin.org](http://readymarin.org) for information on preparing a 'grab and go' bag and LOTS of other information.

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