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Storm damaged properties could get relief through tax adjustments

MARYSVILLE, CA – Recent storms that brought heavy rains, snow and brutal winds to the region resulted in property damage for some residents and businesses. Yuba County Assessor Stephen Duckels said damage to real and personal property that amounts to at least \$10,000 can get relief through an adjustment to the taxable value of the property.

Flood damage, fallen trees, equipment losses; all of these and more can be considered when calculating the losses to a particular piece of property. Existing law allows for the assessor to adjust the taxable value of properties suffering damage.

“Anyone who has experienced considerable damage to their property should call us to discuss whether they qualify for a reduction in their taxable value,” Duckels said. “For those who do qualify, the relief would be applied beginning on the date of the actual damage.”

Duckels said the \$10,000 threshold for property damage is available any time there is damage to property, whether that damage is caused by flooding, winds, fire, or some other catastrophic event. Property damage that is caused by actions of the property owner would not qualify for relief.

Those who live in Yuba County or operate a business there and believe they experienced at least \$10,000 in damages to their property may contact the Assessor’s Office at 749-7820. Staff is available to work with callers to see if their property qualifies for a tax relief.