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Flood-Displaced Pierre-Fort Pierre Residents to Receive ID Cards

PIERRE, S.D. – The State Emergency Operations Center will begin issuing identification cards Sunday, June 5, 2011, to residents of the Pierre and Fort Pierre area who have been displaced by Missouri River flooding.

The ID cards are part of a system to control access to threatened areas of the communities where citizens have left their homes. Law enforcement plans vigilant patrols of those neighborhoods and will permit access only to those with official authorization

Displaced residents are asked to bring a South Dakota Driver License or non-driver ID card to the Red Cross Shelter at Georgia Morse Middle School. Those without a driver license or ID card will be required to produce some other form of valid identification.

In Pierre, the areas affected by the flooding are:

- Zone 1 - Buchanan St. east to the City limits and north to Dakota Ave.
- Zone 2 - Buchanan St. west to Crow St. and north to Dakota Ave.
- Zone 3 - Crow St. to River Place Drive

In Fort Pierre, the areas affected by the flooding are:

- Zone 4 - Highway 14/83 Bridge north.
- Zone 5 - Highway 14/83 Bridge to Bad River.
- Zone 6 - Bad River south.

The cards are about the size of a driver license, white with an orange stripe across the middle and the words "May 2011 Flood. The resident's name, date of birth and address will be documented on the card, which identifies the holder as a resident of the affected area. The displaced resident will be able to escort other persons into the affected area.

If a resident requests, a designee may be named. The designee will have access to the affected property and will be issued a card only if the displaced resident is present when the card is issued. At this time only one designee will be issued an ID card per residence.

The cards will be issued at the Georgia Morse Middle School in Pierre on Sunday, June 5, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday, June 6, from noon to 8 p.m. and Tuesday, June 7, from noon to 8 p.m.