

Flash flood watch issued for Lake Tahoe

A flash flood watch has been issued for the Lake Tahoe Basin from 2-10pm today.

The National Weather Service in Reno says Truckee, Reno, Carson City and the Carson Valley are also under the same watch for Aug. 21.

Thunderstorms like the one that rolled through South Lake Tahoe on Aug. 20 will return. That storm dumped nickel-size hail that covered city streets to make it look like it had snowed in mid-August.

Hail 1-inch in diameter could fall today. Waves on Lake Tahoe may reach 3 feet.

Recent wildfire burn scars and locations near steep terrain are prone to flash flooding and debris flows. Flooding of streets and intersections in urban areas with poor drainage may also occur, warns the Weather Service.

– Lake Tahoe News staff report