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FLOODING CLOSES MOUNT RAINIER

Ashford, WA—Superintendent Dave Uberuaga announced this morning that Mount Rainier National Park is closed due to flooding. Heavy rain early this morning caused Kautz Creek to flow over the Nisqually Road to a depth of more than 6 inches, making travel unsafe. The park is closed at the Nisqually entrance. The park is anticipating continued heavy rain today with a snow level of 9000 feet.

Mount Rainier National Park suffered extensive flood in November 2006, including at Kautz Creek. “We hope this current flooding will not damage the road and we will be able to reopen as soon as the rain tapers off and the water level drops,” said Uberuaga.

There were seven guests at the National Park Inn at Longmire last night. Park rangers escorted these visitors from the park via Skate Creek Road, a route providing administrative access to the park.

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