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STRANDED PEOPLE RESCUED

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91 SECONDS

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VIDEO

AUDIO

M/S CHINOOK HELICOPTER

FIERCE RAIN DRIVEN BY 50-MILE-AN-HOUR WINDS SLAMMED CALIFORNIA'S CENTRAL COAST, CAUSING LANDSLIDES, AND DOWNING POWER LINES.

L/S LANDSLIDES

THE NEXT MORNING, RESIDENTS AND VACATIONERS IN THE TOWN OF BIG SUR FOUND THAT LANDSLIDES HAD REMOVED

L/S BREAK IN HIGHWAY

COASTAL HIGHWAY ONE, BOTH NORTH AND SOUTH OF THE TOWN. AN INSTRUCTOR HAD DRIVEN DOWN THE AFTERNOON BEFORE TO THE ELDER HOSTEL RESORT, TO GIVE A CLASS.

M/S EVACUEES & SCHOOLBUS

SOUND BITE (19 SECONDS)

INCUE: "IT WAS A WILD..."

OUTCUE: "...COMPLETELY ISOLATED THERE

(MORE)

L/S 3 PEOPLE WALKING

SEVERAL OF THE GUESTS HAD MEDICAL
CONDITIONS THAT, AS ONE OFFICIAL
PUT IT, COULD GET UGLY, FAST.

M/S VIEW FROM HELICOPTER

OFFICIALS TASKED TWO C-H-47-D,
"CHINOOK" HELICOPTERS FROM COMPANY
G, 140TH

M/S EVACUEES READY

AVIATION, TO FLY THE STRANDED BACK
TO MONTEREY. BY THE SECOND DAY OF
THE MISSION, THE TWO FOUR-MAN
CREWS HAD MADE 27 SORTIES

M/S EVACUEES MOVE UP

AND HAD AIRLIFTED OVER 100 PEOPLE
AND THEIR LUGGAGE FROM ISOLATION.

MCU HELICOPTER PASSENGERS

SOUND BITE (16 SECONDS)

INCUE: "PEOPLE HAVE BEEN..."

OUTCUE: "...HAPPY TO HELP."

M/S HELICOPTER LIFTS OFF

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