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Flash Flood Safety Alert

When verbally notified “FF” (Flash Flood) in effect between (location) and (location), or at (location). Crews are reminded to be governed by Rules 6.21 and Rule 6.21.2

6.21: Precautions Against Unusual Conditions

Protect trains and engines against any known condition that may interfere with their safety.

When conditions restrict visibility, regulate speed to ensure that crew members can observe and comply with signal indications.

In unusually heavy rain, storm, or high water, trains and engines must approach bridges, culverts, and other potentially hazardous points **prepared to stop**. If they cannot proceed safely, they must stop until it is safe to resume movement.

Advise the train dispatcher of such conditions by the first available means of communication.

6.21.2: Water Above Rail

Do not operate trains and engines over tracks submerged in water until the track has been inspected and verified as safe.

Operate engines at 5 MPH or less when water is above the top of the rail. If water is more than 3 inches above the top of the rail, a mechanical department supervisor must authorize the movement.

