

Juneau's 2026 annual Glacial Lake Outburst Flood (GLOF) is forecasted to occur during the first week of August. Although we anticipate the HESCO barriers will prevent extensive damage, there may be recommended or mandatory evacuations for individuals and families living in high-risk areas.

As always, if you are asked to evacuate, please evacuate with all domestic animals that you are responsible for in your custody. Leaving domestic animals behind during a disaster evacuation puts the lives and safety of these animals along with first responders at unnecessary risk.

We strongly recommend that, prior to the 2026 GLOF event, any individuals or families with domestic animals line up an available safe sheltering location for their animals during the evacuation period. This location must not be within the anticipated GLOF evacuation zone for the event.

See [the CBJ Evacuation Advisory map](#) for the current evacuation zones.

Safe sheltering locations for pets or other domestic animals may include, in order of recommendation by Juneau Animal Control & Protection:

- 1) The home of a dedicated caregiver who does not live in the flood zone and is familiar with the animals' care and needs. This may include friends, family, or an experienced pet sitter.
- 2) The location where the family or individual is sheltering, whether this be a pet-friendly hotel, an RV/motor home/camper, or other appropriate and safe location. Please be aware that few hotels in the Juneau area are pet-friendly, and housing animals in personal vehicles comes with significant risks of potentially lethal heat exposure if animals are left unattended on warm, sunny days.
- 3) The CBJ-approved American Red Cross Shelter at Floyd Dryden, the former middle school located at 3800 Mendenhall Loop Rd. Floyd Dryden will have limited space for dogs and cats to shelter in separate rooms from humans. Animals will be required to remain in kennels during the shelter period and owners will be expected to take their animals out for exercise and potty breaks at least once every 12 hours. Animal activities will be monitored by shelter volunteers and staff. *If you plan to use the Floyd Dryden Evacuation Shelter and have pets, please bring your animals' food, medications, water and food bowls, travel kennels (if available), leashes, muzzles (if needed), toys, blankets or beds, etc. Limited supplies will be provided by Juneau Animal Rescue.*
- 4) Juneau Animal Rescue's (JAR) Emergency Safekeep Program. Safekeep of pets at JAR is available on a first-come, first-serve basis and as space allows. Prices depend on animal species and the spay/neuter and vaccination status of each animal. Please call Juneau Animal Control at (907) 789-6997 with questions or inquiries about our Safekeep Program.