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Do's and Don'ts For Landslides

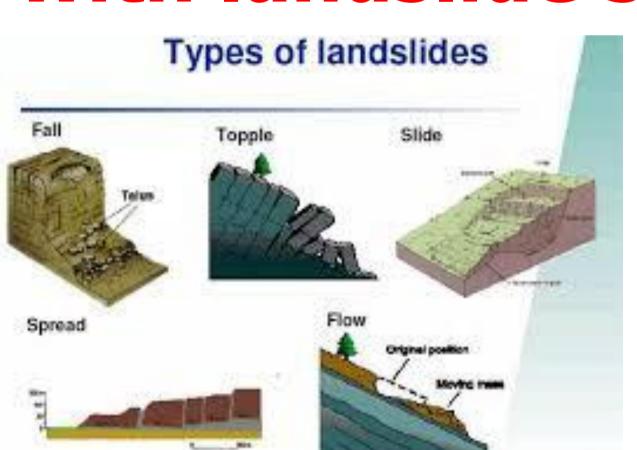
Landslides can be devastating, but knowing what to do can significantly increase your chances of staying safe.

Before a Landslide (Preparation): Do:

- Understand your risk, if your area is prone to landslides.
- Check for warning signs in the land like cracks, tilting trees, or new springs.
- Know where to go and how to get there quickly.
- Create an emergency kit e.g., water, food, first-aid, flashlight, radio, etc.
- Learn about your local warning system.
- Plant Vegetation on slopes to help stabilize the soil.
- Consult with experts for proper construction

Don't:

- Don't ignore warning signs.
- Don't build near steep slopes or at the base of slopes and along waterways.
- Ensure any construction complies with landslide safety guidelines.





After a Landslide (Recovery):

Do:

- · Stay away from the landslide area as it may still be unstable.
- · Check for injuries and provide first aid.
- · Listen to a battery-powered radio for emergency information.
- Report damaged utilities to the authorities.
- · Help neighbors if it is safe to do so.
- Seek advice from a geotechnical expert before rebuilding or repairing damage.

Don't:

- Don't return to the affected area until it is declared safe.
- Don't disturb the landslide debris as it may be unstable.
- Don't spread rumors. Stick to official information sources.
- Don't attempt to clear debris yourself. Wait for professionals.

During a Landslide (Action): Do:

- Evacuate immediately if you hear unusual sounds like cracking trees or shifting ground.
- Move away from the path of the landslide.
- Stay alert and awake as Landslides can occur quickly and without much warning.

Don't:

- Don't try to outrun the landslide as it's faster than you think.
- Don't go near the landslide area as it's unstable and dangerous.
- Don't delay evacuation as time is critical.



