Climate Change and Toxic Hazards: Preparing for Before, During, and After the Storm

States with most toxic sites in flood-prone areas

- N.J.: 35
- Calif.: 35
- Fla.: 33
- Texas: 24
- La.: 14
- Wash.: 14
- Penn.: 13
- N.Y.: 11
- Mass.: 10
- Va.: 10

Source: FEMA, NOAA, EPA and U.S. Census Bureau

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Coal Ash & Hog Farm Wastes
When Flooding Occurs
Household Chemicals

Example: Benzene

Regardless of whether exposure is from **Indoor** or **Outdoor** Sources

...Avoid contact with eyes, skin or clothing. Wash thoroughly after handling. ....

High levels of exposure: dizziness, vomiting, sleepiness, rapid heart rate

Lower levels of exposure – longer time – susceptibility to infection, cancer