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SOUTH COAST Know your way out.

Familiarize yourself with major routes out of your neighborhood in case of an evacuation.



Scan this QR code to download your neighborhood map on your phone or tablet!

TYPES OF EVACUATION ORDERS

Immediate Evacuation Order

Immediate Evacuation Order means there is an imminent threat to life and property. People and their pets in the Immediate Evacuation Order area should evacuate now, without delay. Law enforcement personnel will clearly state failure to evacuate may result in physical injury or death, a future opportunity to evacuate may not exist, and resources to rescue them may not be available.

Potential Evacuation Order

During events with notice or other slowly unfolding incidents where advance warning is available, there may be situations where Potential Evacuation Orders are warranted. Potential Evacuation Order means that there is a potential threat to life and property and preparations should be made should an Immediate Evacuation Order be issued. Individuals with access or functional needs should consider leaving now. If at any time you feel threatened, action should be taken to leave for a safe area.



Ready, Set, Go.

EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS

Notifications from **AlertOC** are targeted to areas with an imminent threat to life and safety rather than the entire city. Notifications from **Nixle** are sent to anyone registered regardless of where the incident is in the city. Register for AlertOC by visiting www.alertoc.com and Nixle by texting 92651 to 888-777. **Both are important!**

PUBLIC SAFETY POWER SHUTOFF PROGRAM

During elevated wildfire conditions, your power company may turn off power in some areas for safety. This is called a Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS). All Californians could be impacted by these emergency events and need to be prepared. For more information, visit: www.prepareforpowerdown.com.

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READY...

SCAN THE QR CODE FOR MORE DETAILS



SET...

A family plan is only useful if completed well before a wildfire occurs. Your plan should address the needs of every member of your family or household, including pets. An escape route is a preplanned route designed to help your family get to a safe area during a wildfire. It's important to map out several in case roads are blocked or unsafe for travel.

Create a DEFENSIBLE SPACE. By following these suggestions a buffer can be made to slow or halt the spread of wildfire to a structure, and provide adequate safety for firefighters protecting the building.

- Remove all dead vegetation, including leaf litter, from yard, roof and rain gutters.
- Trim trees to keep branches a minimum of 10 feet from structures and other trees.
- Remove combustible material and vegetation from around and under decks.
- Remove or prune vegetation near windows.
- Remove "ladder fuels" (low-level vegetation that allows the fire to spread from the ground to the tree canopy).

Create a DEFENSIBLE HOME. There are measures that can be taken to safeguard a home from wildfire. Each of them will increase the home's, and possibly your family's, safety and survival during a wildfire.

- Roofs covered with composition, metal or tile.
- Eaves protected by enclosing them with stucco or siding.
- Vent openings covered with 1/8" to 1/4" metal mesh.
- Exterior walls covered with non-combustible siding or stucco.
- Windows and door glazing of double pane with at least one pane tempered.
- Balconies and decks built with ignition resistant or non-combustible materials.

Emergency kits should contain enough supplies and belongings for every member of your household for at least 3 days. Your to-go bag holds items needed to help you evacuate quickly and safely.



GO.

Leave early!

Knowing when to leave, what to take, where to go, and how to get there will prevent you and your family from being caught in smoke, fire, or road congestion while

evacuating during a wildfire. **Don't wait** to be told by authorities. If you are advised to leave, don't hesitate. Leave to a predetermined location. Have several travel routes in case one route is blocked by the fire or by emergency vehicles and equipment. Choose the route away from the fire.

Take your emergency kit containing your family and pets' necessary items.



Shelter in place

If trapped by a wildfire,

know when and how to shelter in place. Shelter away from outside walls. Patrol inside your home for spot fires and extinguish them. Wear long sleeves and long pants made of natural fibers such as cotton. Stay hydrated. Ensure you can exit the home if it catches fire (remember that if it's hot inside the house it is four to five times hotter outside) Check your roof and extinguish any fires, sparks, or embers. Check inside the attic for hidden embers. Patrol your property and extinguish small fires.