

>>>> TAKE ACTION IMMEDIATELY WHEN WILDFIRE STRIKES <<<<

When Immediate Evacuation is necessary - Take Action As Soon As Possible to get ready to GO!
Be sure your plan covers all household members (and possibly neighbors) with additional needs.
This week will: 1) Evacuation Reminders 2) Further information for a quick and safe evacuation

KEY Evacuation steps you learned previously: What to Take and Do:

1. Review your [Evacuation Plan Checklist](#).
2. Ensure your [Emergency Supply Kit](#) is in your vehicle.
3. Cover-up to protect against heat and flying embers. Wear long pants, long sleeve shirt, heavy shoes/boots, cap, dry bandanna for face cover, goggles or glasses. 100% cotton is preferable.
4. Locate your pets and take them with you.

Cal OES recently issued state-wide Evacuation Terminology. What You NEED to KNOW:

- **EVACUATION ORDER:** Immediate threat to life. This is a lawful order to leave now. The area is lawfully closed to public access.
- **EVACUATION WARNING:** Potential threat to life and/or property. Those who require additional time to evacuate, and those with pets and livestock should leave now.
- **SHELTER IN PLACE:** Go indoors. Shut and lock doors and windows. Prepare to self-sustain until further notice and/or contacted by emergency personnel for additional direction.

Additional Information regarding: When to Evacuate

Leave AS SOON AS evacuation is recommended by fire officials to avoid being caught in fire, smoke or road congestion. Don't wait to be ordered by authorities to leave. Evacuating the forest fire area early also helps firefighters to do their jobs and keep roads clear of congestion. In an intense, fast-moving wildfire, they WILL NOT have time to knock on every door. **If you are advised to leave, don't hesitate!**

- Officials will determine the areas to be evacuated and escape routes to use depending upon the fire's location, behavior, winds, terrain, etc.
- Law enforcement agencies are typically responsible for enforcing an evacuation order. Follow their directions promptly.
- Advice on potential evacuations will come as early as possible. Take initiative to stay informed and aware. Listen to radio/TV/internet- for updates from law enforcement and emergency personnel.
- You may be directed to temporary assembly areas to await transfer to a safe location.



>>> Do NOT return to your home until fire officials determine it is safe. This notification will happen ASAP <<<

When You Return Home:

- Be alert for downed power lines and other hazards.
- Check propane tanks, regulators, and lines before turning gas on.
- Check your residence carefully for hidden embers or smoldering fires.

