

# **WILDFIRES CAN STRIKE SUDDENLY** AND WITHOUT WARNING

Every effort will be made to notify residents when an evacuation is necessary, but this is not always possible. Advanced preparation and situational awareness is required. Take personal responsibility and prepare today.



## **LEVEL 1 – BE READY**

Residents should be aware of the danger that exists in their area, monitor emergency services websites and local media outlets for information. This is the time for preparation and precautionary movement of persons with special needs, mobile property and (under certain circumstances) pets and livestock. If conditions worsen, emergency services personnel may contact you via an emergency notification system.



## LEVEL 2 - BE SET

#### YOU MUST PREPARE TO LEAVE AT A MOMENT'S NOTICE.

This level indicates there is significant danger to your area, and residents should either voluntarily relocate to a shelter or with family/friends outside of the affected area, or if choosing to remain, be ready to evacuate at a moment's notice. Residents MAY have time to gather necessary items, but doing so is at their own risk.

#### THIS MAY BE THE ONLY NOTICE THAT YOU RECEIVE.

Emergency services cannot guarantee they will be able to notify you if conditions rapidly deteriorate. Area media services will be asked to broadcast periodic updates.



## LEVEL 3 - GO!

#### **LEAVE IMMEDIATELY!**

Danger to your area is current or imminent, and you should evacuate immediately. If you choose to ignore this advisement, you must understand emergency services may not be available to assist you further. DO NOT delay leaving to gather any belongings or make efforts to protect your home.

### THIS WILL BE THE LAST NOTICE THAT YOU RECEIVE.

Entry to evacuated areas may be denied until conditions are safe. Area radio and TV stations have been asked to broadcast periodic updates.



## **✓** BE PREPARED

#### PREP YOUR COMMUNICATIONS:

- O **Keep** your cell phone fully charged.
- O **Notify** an out-of-area contact of your phone number, location and status. Update regularly.
- O **Update** your information online in Community Connect.
- O **Check** on or call neighbors to

#### PETS AND ANIMALS:

- O **Locate** your pets and place in carriers NOW. You won't be able to catch them when the fire approaches.
- O **Place** carriers (with your pets in them) near the front door, with fresh water and extra food.
- O **Be sure** your pets wear tags and are registered with microchips.
- O **Prepare** horses and large animals for transport and consider moving them to a safe location early, before evacuation is ordered.

#### **KEEP ON YOUR PERSON:**

- O **Dress** all family members in long sleeves and long pants; heavy cotton or wool is best, no matter how hot it is.
- O **Wear** full coverage goggles, leather gloves, head protection.
- O **Cover** faces with a dry cotton or wool bandana or scarf over an N95 respirator.
- O **Tie** long hair back.
- O **Take** a headlamp and flashlight (even during the day).
- O Carry car keys, wallet, ID, cell phone, and spare battery.
- O **Drink** plenty of water, stay hydrated.
- O **Put** "Go Kits" (see back) in your vehicle.

