PREPARING FOR WILDFIRES

EVACUATION PLAN
Develop and practice your plan with everyone in your home – including your pets.

Know two ways out of your neighborhood.
Gather any items you and your pet would need.

Keep out of town emergency contact information.
Coordinate a designated safe meeting place.

EMERGENCY KIT
Assemble an emergency supply kit including:

- Important documents
- Medications
- Personal identification
- A flashlight
- Batteries
- Cash
- First aid supplies
- Emergency supplies for your pet, too!

PROTECT YOUR HOME

REMOVE
Remove leaves and debris from gutters, eaves, porches and decks and remove all dead vegetation around your house. Don’t forget under your deck or porch.

MOVE
Move any flammable materials (firewood stacks, propane tanks) should be at least 30 feet from your home, garage and shed.

REPLACE
Replace or repair loose or missing shingles and cover exterior vents with metal wire mesh to prevent embers from entering your home.

WATER
Water and maintain your lawn. Cut down any dead vegetation and dispose of all cuttings quickly. Prune trees so the lowest branches are 6 to 10 feet from the ground.

DURING THE TIME A WILDFIRE IS IN YOUR AREA...

1. Keep up to date with the latest news and updates from your local news and fire department.
2. Place your emergency supply kit and other valuables in your vehicle. Don’t forget crates and emergency supplies for your pets!
3. Follow the PROTECT YOUR HOME guidelines above. Also move all outdoor wooden furniture, patio cushions, door mats, potted plants, wooden containers indoors or as far away from your home as possible.
4. Connect your garden hoses. Firefighters may need your water to put out fires on rooftops!
5. If your home is at risk of being threatened, leave before you’re told to evacuate. If evacuation orders are given, leave immediately for your personal safety and so you do not block firefighters and equipment from accessing your area.

ONLY RETURN HOME WHEN AUTHORITIES SAY IT IS SAFE.