



Wildfire Pre-Evacuation

If you have prepared your Defensible Space and implemented Home Hardening measures, your home is better equipped to withstand most fires. When an evacuation is anticipated and “if time allows”, you might want to use this checklist to improve your home’s chances of surviving.

- Be ready to evacuate. Back your car into the driveway and load your “TO GO BAGS” and any other personal items. Keep your vehicle windows closed.
- Round up kids and pets, keeping them close to you until you evacuate.
- Move combustible items from the exterior of the house and put them inside the garage or house.
- Remove leaves, pine needles, and other debris from roofs, gutters, and around the foundation.
- Turn off the propane at the shutoff on top of your tank, along with the shutoff valve by your house (pilot lights will turn off). Remove BBQ propane tanks and gas cans 30 feet away from structures.
- Place a metal ladder against the roof at the location that you would typically use to access your roof.
- Attach a hose (uncharged) with a spray nozzle to every hose bib around your home for quick deployment.
- Turn on exterior lights.
- Shut all windows and doors, and secure pet doors.
- Remove flammable furniture and curtains away from windows and doors.
- Shut off central/portable heat and air appliances.

DO NOT DO THESE

- Do not turn on any water or sprinklers on your property.
- Do not tie up phone lines unnecessarily.
- Do not panic. During an evacuation, people and pets react differently than normal. If you keep calm, so will your kids and pets