LEVELS OF RESPONSE:

LEVEL 3: GO (EVACUATION ORDER)
Leave now. Do not gather valuables or prepare your home. Follow instructions given in the evacuation order.

LEVEL 2: BE SET (EVACUATION WARNING)
Evacuate as soon as possible. Taking a little time to gather your belongings and prepare may be ok, but conditions may change quickly. Be prepared to leave at a moment's notice.

LEVEL 1: BE READY
Elevated risk for wildfires danger. This is a good time to take preparations and precautions to mitigate damage to your home. Monitor local news and information for changing conditions.

COMMUNICATIONS:
- Always keep your cell phone charged and carry back-up portable battery charger(s) and extra charging cables, if available.
- Notify an out-of-area contact of your phone number, location and status. Update them regularly.
- Notify your manager and advise them of your situation.
- Check on or call neighbors to alert them to prepare for a possible evacuation.

PREPARING YOURSELF AND FAMILY:
- Wear a long sleeve shirt, full length pants, and closed footwear. Remember to pack jackets and coats for inclement weather.
- Consider having goggles, leather gloves, and head protection.
- Wear a cotton mask, face covering, or bandana over your nose and mouth.
- Tie back long hair.
- Take a flashlight or other light source even if you evacuate during the day.
- Take your ID, wallet, cell phone and spare batteries/charger.
- Keep your car and house keys with you, in event you have to quickly evacuate.
- Have drinking water prepared and available.
- Ensure that your vehicle has a full tank of gas.
- Prepare an emergency “go kit” (contents outlined below).

PETS / ANIMALS:
- Put name and contact information tags on your pets.
• If there is time, identify areas that will accept pets or allow them to keep with you.
• If you are in an evacuation warning, immediately locate your pets and place them in carriers so you are ready for a quick evacuation.
• Pack pet food, water, and any required pet medication.

WHEN YOU LEAVE YOUR HOME:
• Leave immediately if ordered or if you feel unsafe.
• Leave your house lights on to help responding fire fighters see your home within smoky conditions.
• Carpool if you can to reduce traffic.
• The best evacuation route is the one you know best. Try to stay on paved roads.
• Proceed downhill, away from the fire if possible.
• If you get trapped enroute, you are safer in a car or building.
• Don’t abandon your car on the road if passage is impossible. If you must leave your car, park it off the road and consider other options for shelter.
• Evacuate on foot only as a last resort.
• Remain calm.

IF TIME PERMITS:
• Shut all windows and doors prior to evacuating.
• Turn off air conditioners.
• Remove all curtains and close any metal blinds.
• Turn off all gas meters/lines and pilot lights.
• Shut off the gas meter and propane tanks.
• Assist elderly or disabled neighbors.

OUTSIDE & IN NEIGHBORHOOD (IF TIME PERMITS):
• Place combustible outdoor items inside your garage, 30’ from structures, or in a swimming pool, if applicable.
• Shut off the gas at the meter or propane tank; move small tanks at least 15’ away from combustibles.
• Connect garden hoses with squeeze-grip nozzles to outdoor spigots for use by firefighters.
• Fill water buckets and place around outside of the house, especially near decks and fences.
• Clean your gutters and move leaves away from your house.
• Back your car into the driveway, packed with your supplies, with doors and windows closed.
• Prop open fence and side gates for quick access.
• Place any ladder(s) at the corner(s) of structures for firefighters.
• Seal attic and ground vents with pre-cut plywood, metal covers, or duct tape.
• Check your property and monitor conditions. Leave if spot fires ignite or conditions change.
PREPARING AN EMERGENCY SUPPLY KIT (“GO KIT”):
If time permits, an emergency supply kit ("go kit") should be prepared in advance for each family member. Be mindful that we are also in a pandemic, so necessary health precautions need to be considered.

- Face coverings, cotton bandanas, goggles, leather gloves, long shirt and pants (cotton or wool), boots, hat
- Battery operated flashlight, headlamp, or light with spare batteries
- Extra car keys, credit cards, cash
- Road map marked with two evacuation routes from your home to safer location(s)
- Prescription medications
- Extra eyeglasses and/or contact lenses
- First aid kit
- Battery-powered radio and extra batteries
- Copies of important documents (birth certificates, passports, insurance policies, etc.)
- Pet food and water, leashes, pet supplies, and medications
- Extra water and food
- Sanitation supplies, to include soap, extra water, and/or hand sanitizers.
- Extra clothes and blankets
- Chargers and portable batteries for cell phones, laptops, etc.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

CAL TRAINING: WILDFIRE PREPAREDNESS
FEMA: BE PREPARED FOR A WILDFIRE
FEMA: HOW TO PREPARE FOR A WILDFIRE