



OUR FAMILY EVACUATION CHECKLIST



Family Name: _____



PREPARE FAMILY MEMBERS:

- ☐ If possible, evacuate all family members not essential to preparing the house for wildfire
- ☐ Wear only cotton or wool clothes, including long pants, long-sleeved shirt or jacket, a hat, and boots
- ☐ Carry gloves, water to drink, and goggles
- ☐ Keep your cell phone, a flashlight, and portable radio with you at all times
- ☐ Tune into a local radio station and listen for instructions



PREPARE VEHICLE:

- ☐ Keep your vehicle's gas tank full
- ☐ If you can lift your garage door manually, place vehicle in the garage pointing out with the keys in the ignition and disconnect the electric garage door opener. If not, park in your driveway facing out
- ☐ Roll up the car windows
- ☐ Close the garage door
- ☐ Place essential items in the car
- ☐ If you do not drive, make other arrangements for transportation in advance
- ☐ Close garage door when you leave



INSIDE THE HOME:

- ☐ Close all interior doors
- ☐ Leave a light on in each room
- ☐ Remove lightweight, non-fire-resistant curtains and other combustible materials from around windows
- ☐ Close fire-resistant drapes, shutters, and blinds
- ☐ Turn off all pilot lights
- ☐ Move overstuffed furniture, such as couches and easy chairs, to the center of the room
- ☐ Close fireplace damper
- ☐ Close or block off any doggie-doors



PREPARE PETS & LARGE ANIMALS:

- ☐ Have identification on your animal
- ☐ Have veterinary records and medications in one easy-to-find place
- ☐ Transport food, water, and bowls in easy-to-carry, sealed containers
- ☐ Have a buddy system
- ☐ Dogs and small pets should be securely crated with only one animal per carrier
- ☐ Remove any non-essential items from carriers or cages, as unsecured items can injure a pet during transport
- ☐ Have a livestock trailer and reliable vehicle for towing the trailer
- ☐ Practice loading your livestock into the trailer and towing it before an emergency
- ☐ IF YOU MUST LEAVE ANIMALS BEHIND, NOTIFY YOUR LOCAL ANIMAL SERVICE AGENCY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE



OUTSIDE THE HOME:

- ☐ Place combustible patio furniture and barbecues in the house, the garage, or away from the home
- ☐ Shut off propane at the tank or natural gas at the meter, and clear the area of combustible material
- ☐ Close all exterior vents, doors, and windows including skylights
- ☐ Leave gates unlocked
- ☐ Turn on outside lights
- ☐ If available and if there's time, cover windows, attic openings, and vents with plywood that is at least one-half inch thick
- ☐ Ensure that all garden hoses are connected to faucets and turned off
- ☐ Don't leave sprinklers on, or water running; they can affect critical water pressure
- ☐ Ensure that house numbers and street signs are visible and reflective if possible