

## Prepare Now

- Provide defensible space around structures for a distance of at least 100 feet.
- Clear flammable materials from rain gutters and roof.
- Trim tree branches at least 10 feet from chimney.
- Clear at least 10 feet around propane tanks
- For more information on legal requirements see [www.calfireslo.org](http://www.calfireslo.org)
- Replace flammable vegetation with less flammable plants.
- Use fire resistant materials for roofing and siding.
- Move wood piles away from house.
- Make sure your water tank is full and the hydrant is accessible and marked with a blue reflector.
- Have garden hose and ladder available that will reach the roof.
- Locate escape routes and Temporary Safe Refuge Areas. (See map inside)
- Have an escape plan. Know where to meet your family.
- Choose an out-of-area friend or relative as a check-in contact. Write his/her phone number on the phone list inside.

## Evacuation Procedures

- Citizens may be notified by fire personnel and/or law enforcement personnel if evacuation is necessary.
- Safely make your way out of the area. If unable to evacuate completely, go to the closest Temporary Safe Refuge Area. (See map inside)
- The Red Cross will establish evacuation centers.
- If evacuated, contact the Red Cross to provide information about your status so that family or friends can be informed.
- After an area has been evacuated, the area will remain closed until the threat has passed.
- MOST IMPORTANTLY, if you feel unsafe, don't wait. Follow the checklist items and get out.

## If You Become Trapped...

### In your home:

- Stay inside until the fire passes.
- Close all windows.
- Keep all doors closed, but unlocked.
- Keep family together and remain calm.
- Remember, if it gets hot inside your house, it will be much hotter outside.

### In your car:

- Park away from vegetation.
- Roll up windows.
- Cover mouth with dry cloth to protect airway.
- Cover yourself with a blanket or jacket.
- Stay in the car until the fire passes.
- If the vehicle catches on fire, exit only after the wildfire has passed.

### On foot:

- Find an area away from vegetation.
- Lie face down.
- Cover mouth with dry cloth to protect airway.

## After the Fire Passes

- Check the roof and exterior of your home, extinguish all sparks and embers.
- Check your attic for hidden embers.
- Check your yard for burning wood piles, trees, fence posts or other materials.

## Returning to Your Home

- Emergency Managers will decide when it is safe to return.
- Information will be available through the media, at road blocks, shelters, Temporary Safe Refuge Areas, and the CAL FIRE information line.

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# Avila Valley

## Fire Evacuation Plan



*You live in  
wildfire country...  
Are you prepared to evacuate?*

## CHECKLIST

What to do if a wildfire is approaching

- Park vehicles facing outward.
- Put valuables, important documents and essentials, such as medications, in your vehicle.
- Keep keys where you can find them.
- Secure pets and prepare them for transport. Horse owners may call the Horse Emergency Evacuation Team (HEET) for assistance. See phone list for number.
- Close shutters, windows, heavy drapes and fireplace dampers.
- Remove thin drapes and other flammables near windows.
- Turn on outside lights and leave some inside lights on.
- Wear long pants, long sleeved shirt, goggles or glasses, hat and a dry bandana over your face. Cotton clothing is best.
- Turn off gas at meter or propane tank.
- Tune in to Emergency Alert System on any local radio or TV station.
- Safely make your way out of the area. If unable to evacuate completely, go to the closest Temporary Safe Refuge Area (see map).
- Drive with headlights on.

**Keep this evacuation plan for future reference.**

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## Avila Valley Area Emergency Travel Routes & Safe Refuge Areas

### Temporary Refuge Areas

A gathering for residents if evacuation routes are obstructed by smoke, incoming emergency equipment, or directly threatened by fire. Examples: lee side of structure, inside of structure, large lawn or parking area, cab of apparatus.

#### Area #1–FAA Parking Area

Access off Prefumo Canyon Rd through Chamise Ln

#### Area #2–Rumore Ranch

Arena located at 4450 See Canyon Rd

#### Area #3–Pippin Lane

Intersection of Pippin Ln and See Canyon Rd

#### Area #4–San Luis Bay Inn

Access off Avila Beach Dr

#### Area #5–Helispot on Balm Ridge Road

Baron Canyon Ranch Rd

#### Area #6–Gragg Canyon

Main gate Access off Southern Monte Rd

#### Area #7–State Parks “drill hole”

Access off Ruda Rd/upper Davis Canyon Rd

#### Area #8–Davis Canyon

Historic orchard adjacent to Diablo Siren ½ way up Davis Canyon Rd

### IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

#### Life Threatening Emergencies: 911

Non-emergency numbers

CAL FIRE \_\_\_\_\_ (805) 543-4244

County Sheriff \_\_\_\_\_ (805) 781-4550

Horse Emergency Evac. Team (HEET) \_\_\_\_\_ (805) 466-7457

Animal Control \_\_\_\_\_ (805) 466-7457

Red Cross \_\_\_\_\_ (805) 543-0696

My out-of-area contact \_\_\_\_\_

