

ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY WILDFIRE PREPAREDNESS CAMPAIGN SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS 2021



Is your home wildfire ready? Set up a FREE Wildfire Home Assessment to protect your home today! Wildfires can happen at any time. Take the steps to protect your family, home, and neighborhood from Orange County's #1 fire risk. Prepare now at ocfa.org/RSG

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Is your yard wildfire ready? Remove leaves, branches, and weeds to help protect your home and your family during a wildfire. Prepare your home now and visit ocfa.org/RSG

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VENTS

Install 1/8-inch metal mesh on vents to help protect your home in a wildfire



Simple additions to your home can give it the best chance to survive a wildfire. Home Hardening reduces the chance of ignition from direct flame, flying embers, and radiant heat. Harden your home now before a wildfire starts. Visit ocfa.org/RSG.

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Is your home ready for a wildfire? Strong winds can cause embers to travel up to 5 miles! Embers can land in small open spaces on your roof or walls, and ignite, threatening your home. To give your home a better chance of survival, visit ocfa.org/RSG

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Are you wildfire ready? Prepare now by creating a Disaster Supply Kit and Go! Bag. They should contain the 6P's: prescriptions, papers (copies of important documents), and personal supplies. If you are forced to evacuate, your Go! Bag will ensure you're prepared during and after a wildfire.

To prepare your family, visit ocfa.org/RSG

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Are you wildfire ready? Create a Wildfire Action Plan and review it with your family. Visit ocfa.org/RSG to learn how to create a plan to keep you and your family safe.

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Early evacuation is the best way to protect yourself and your loved ones during a wildfire. As a wildfire approaches, follow these steps to help prepare your family and home, and make your evacuation safer.



Review your Wildfire Action Plan so all family members have the same information and know what to do.



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Have all necessities ready, including the 6 P's, in case you have to evacuate:

- People and pets
 Papers, phone net
 - Papers, phone numbers, and important documents
 - Prescriptions, medical equipment, and eyeglasses
- 4. Pictures, family keepsakes, and other meaningful items
- 5. Personal computers, hard drives, tablets, or other data storage devices, including cell phones, and chargers
- 6. Plastic credit cards, ATM cards, and cash

Load everything into your car, including your Disaster Supply Kit and Go! Bag. Then, back the car into the driveway and close the windows and doors. Keep the keys with you, in case you need to leave quickly.

At Home:

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- Close all windows and doors
- Shut off air conditioning and fans
- Close the fireplace flue
- Leave lights on, including porch lights
- Move outdoor combustible items (patio furniture, door mats, charcoal, firewood, lighter fluid, brooms, trash cans, etc.) away from the house or bring them inside
- Turn off propane tanks
- Close the garage door
- Connect garden hoses to spigots and place them so they can reach any area of the house
- Don't leave sprinklers on or water running as this can waste critical water pressure

For more information, please visit the OCFA website or call **(714) 573-6774** to schedule a Wildfire Home Assessment.



Wildfires are unpredictable. Strong winds can change a fire's direction and strength in an instant, making it impossible for law enforcement to carry out evacuation orders or make door-to-door announcements.



GO EARLY! If your family is in danger from a wildfire, leave immediately. Early evacuation is the safest choice and gives your family the best chance of survival.



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Whether you go early or leave during a mandatory evacuation, it's important to follow your Wildfire Action Plan.

- Make sure all family members are dressed in cotton or naturalfiber clothing
- Load your family, pets, Disaster Kit and Go! Bag into one car if possible
- Follow one of your pre-determined escape routes or evacuate as directed by law enforcement. The escape route should take you away from the fire, which is the same direction it's traveling
- Tune in to a local radio station and listen for instructions
- Drive with your headlights on for better visibility. Be aware of potential road hazards, including fire vehicles
- Don't attempt to pick up children from school or daycare. Teachers and staff members will respond according to the school's disaster plan
- Drive immediately to your family's meeting location. If you're separated from one or more family members, make contact according to your communication plan

Early evacuation is the safest choice during a wildfire, but it's only possible if you're prepared.

- If you don't have a Wildfire Action Plan, start one today. Make sure it includes at least two possible escape routes, a Family Communication Plan, and a Pet Disaster Plan
- Put together a Disaster Kit and Go! Bag
- Find out about the disaster plans at your workplace and your children's schools
- Keep the car fuel tank at least half-full at all times

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Vegetation Management is controlling plant material to prevent wildfire spread. It requires a constant commitment to follow the 4 R's of Vegetation Management to reduce the threat.

Removal:

- Remove all dead and dying plants within 100 feet of your home
- Identify and remove plants found on OCFA's Undesirable Plant List
- Remove dry leaves, bark and pine needles from the yard, roof, and rain gutters

Reduction:

- Prune and thin plants within 100 feet of your home, including your plants within 100 feet of your neighbor's home
- Provide 4 feet vertical separation between shrub tops and lower tree branches to reduce "ladder fuels"
- Use Horizontal Separation Guidelines for plants over 2 feet in height (15 feet minimum or 3 times the tallest plant)
- Keep all shrubs within 10 feet of your home trimmed to 2 feet or lower
- Prune or remove plants near windows
- Remove all tree branches or plants within 10 feet of chimney outlets
- Move wood piles at least 30 feet from your home, or to the property line
- Keep annual grasses and weeds cut to 4 inches or less

Replacement:

- Replace fire-prone plants with fire-resistant and drought tolerant plants. See the OCFA Planting Guide for recommendations
- When putting in new plants, leave enough space for them to grow to mature size

Resistant:

- Use fire-resistant plants whenever possible
- Keep in mind that even plants listed on the Planting Guide must be maintained using Spacing Guidelines for both vertical and horizontal separation. Plant separation is an important part reducing wildfire threat

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Vegetation Management isn't a onetime fix. It's an ongoing commitment.



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Orchard Hills Village II Fuel Mod Locations

Areas addressed per 2021 OCFA Vegetation Management Requirments

