

Prepping your home in case you need to evacuate

Inside the House:

- Have an emergency supply kit or evacuation bag ready
- Ensure you have a wildfire action plan
- Identify a place to go and routes to get there should you have to evacuate
- Shut all windows and doors, but leave them unlocked
- Remove flammable window shades, curtains and close metal shutters
- Remove lightweight curtains
- Move flammable furniture to the center of the room, away from windows and doors
- Shut off gas at the meter and turn off pilot lights
- Leave your lights on so firefighters can see your house in smoky conditions
- Shut off the air conditioning

Outside the House:

- Move all flammable items inside the house (patio furniture, kids toys, etc.)
- Turn off propane tanks
- Move the BBQ away from the house
- Connect garden hoses to outside water valves
- Fill water buckets and place them around the house
- Turn off sprinklers
- Leave exterior lights on so firefighters can see your house in smoky conditions
- Put your emergency supply kit in your car
- Back your car into your driveway. Leave the windows and doors closed. Keep your keys on your person
- Put a ladder on the side of the house for fighters
- Seal the attack and ground vents with plywood
- Contact your neighbors