

Family Preparations for Wildfire

- Review insurance policy yearly.
- Make sure you know where the shut-off valves (propane/gas) are and how to turn them off.
- Create an evacuation plan and meeting location for your family.
 - 2 or more meeting locations
 - 2 or more escape routes
 - Communication plan (if you have no cell service how will you communicate)
 - Have a single contact person that is out of state or county that family can call for information.

- Install a CLEARLY marked reflective non-flammable address sign.
- Always keep your car gas tank at least half full.
- Reduce wildfire risk outside your home.
 - Home Ignition Zone Guide - <https://gilpin.extension.colostate.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/29/2021/06/Home-Ignition-Zone-Guide-CSFS.pdf>

Secure important documents - Get an external hard drive or a small accordion file holder, that can be easily transported with you in an evacuation, to save scans of:

- Medical information
- Driver's license
- Passport
- Insurance papers
- Vehicle titles
- Birth certificates
- Utility bills and account numbers
- Bank info and accounts
- Loan records
- Trust and investment info
- Wills and other valuable legal information
- Rental agreements/leases
- IRS records
- Military records
- Important contacts (address book)
- Family photos or other sentimental documents
- Safety Deposit Box information
- Use phone or camera to take photos or videos of every room in your house, and outside too. Once complete, store on external drive. This can be valuable for insurance claims.

Pack "Grab and Go" Bags containing:

- 3-5 days of clothing
- Extra pair of shoes
- Outerwear appropriate to the season
- Medications
- Prescription glasses
- Medical equipment
- Blankets/pillows/sleeping bag
- Hygiene/toiletry products
- Cell phone charger
- External hard drive with records
- Flashlight with extra batteries
- Valuable items (such as jewelry and sentimental items)
- KN95 Masks (smokey air may not be suitable for your lungs)
- Comfort items for your children (stuffed animal, blanket, etc.)

If you have Pets:

- Food and water for 3 days
- Crate (metal, foldable is best)
- Comfort items (bed, blanket, other items in-case you have an animal with anxiety)
- Medications
- Proof of ownership
- Collar, something to I.D your pet
- Leash

If you have Livestock:

- Transportation (extra driver, trailer, make sure they will load)
- Where will you take them?
- Feed for 3 days (if possible)
- Brand Inspection papers
- Registration
- Bill of Sale (proof of ownership)
- If they aren't branded make sure they are identifiable (spray paint, I.D. on hoof, etc.)
- Have a plan if you are unable to transport them.

** If you have to turn them loose, please don't leave halters on (they may get caught on something), write your information on their hoof/ spray paint their rump/tie an info tag to their mane or leg. **