



Public Service Announcement

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It is critical that residents living in and below burn areas remain aware of the unpredictability of thunderstorm activity. The County of San Bernardino is advising residents to be on alert and prepare for the possibility of flash floods as the first winter storm of the season approaches the region. If a flood warning for your area is issued by the National Weather Service, or you are asked to evacuate, you should do so immediately. Move immediately to higher ground. Do not wait for further instructions.

Here are certain DOs and DON'Ts to follow.

Evacuation DOs and DON'Ts

DOs

- DO familiarize yourself with all the routes leading in and out of your community.
- DO drive with your headlights on
- DO drive calmly
- DO obey law enforcement -- evacuate immediately if told to do so.
- DO keep your gas tank at least half full
- DO leave a note telling others when you left and where you are going
- DO lock your home

DON'Ts

- DON'T use off-road shortcuts
- DON'T attempt to drive across creeks or flooded roads – a foot of water can float many vehicles.
- DON'T walk through moving water.
- DON'T attempt to re-enter the area until officials declare it safe.
- DON'T stop to collect belongings if officials say to leave immediately. BUT if there's time, load your important items in the car and load pets last

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