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Evacuation Order (Mandatory) Issued for Bond Fire Burn Area

Santa Ana, Calif. (December 23, 2021): Effective Thursday, December 23, 2021, at 8 p.m. an Evacuation Order (Mandatory) will be issued for Silverado Canyon, Williams Canyon and Modjeska in the Bond Fire burn area due to possible debris flows along or near the burn scar.

The National Weather Service has issued a Flash Flood Watch for the burn scar area in effect from 7 p.m. Thursday, December 23 until noon, Friday, December 24 for the expected rain event. The Evacuation Order (Mandatory) is expected to be in place through the Flash Flood Watch.

An evacuation warning (voluntary) was put into effect at 8 a.m. on Thursday, December 23 in anticipation of the rain event. Canyon residents are strongly encouraged to evacuate prior to 8 p.m. Hard road closures will be in effect at 8 p.m. and access in and out of the canyon will be restricted to public safety and public works vehicles.

Any person with disabilities and those with access and/or functional needs requiring evacuation assistance should call Orange County Sheriff's Department Dispatch at 714-647-7000.

To report storm-related issues with a County road or flood control channel, call the Orange County Public Works Storm Center 714-955-0200 during standard business hours and 714-955-0333 during flash flood events and emergencies when OC Public Works' Department Operations Center is activated.

Due to road closures in the area, the Library of the Canyons is closed on Thursday, December 23 and will remain closed until Monday, December 27.

A map with detailed depictions of the areas under mandatory evacuation may be found at www.ocsheriff.gov/bondfire.

Evacuation Areas
- Silverado Canyon - Evacuation Order (Mandatory – as of December 23, 2021 at 8 p.m.)
- Williams Canyon - Evacuation Warning (Mandatory – as of December 23, 2021 at 8 p.m.)
- Modjeska Canyon - Evacuation Warning (Mandatory – as of December 23, 2021 at 8 p.m.)

Hard Road Closures
- Hard road closures will be in place at canyon entrances beginning at 8 p.m. Thursday, December 23, 2021.

Sheltering
Residents are encouraged to leave early and plan for alternate shelter with friends, family or at a local hotel outside of the mandatory evacuation area.

The County of Orange Social Services Agency opened a Care and Reception Center at 3 p.m. at the Lake Forest Sports Park – 28000 Rancho Parkway, Lake Forest, CA 92630. Directions may be found here: https://www.lakeforestca.gov/722/Address-Directions.

The American Red Cross will open an overnight, congregate, dormitory style shelter at the Lake Forest Sports Park location starting at 7 p.m.

Evacuating residents who have COVID-19 or COVID-like symptoms are asked to call 714-628-7085 for further screening before arrival at the shelter.

Household pets will not be accepted by the shelter, but OC Animal Care is open to house dogs, cats and small pets and has accommodations for large animals at the OC Fair and Events Center. For information about other large animal housing arrangements, please call OC Animal Care at 714-935-6848 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. or 714-259-1122 during after-hours from 5 p.m. to 8 a.m.

Pets and Large Animals
OC Animal Care is open to house dogs, cats and small pets for Orange County residents under mandatory evacuation orders. The shelter is at 1630 Victory Road Tustin, CA 92782. If possible, please bring photo identification, veterinary/vaccination records, special food, and medications along with your animals.

For those under mandatory evacuation order with large animals, OC Fair and Events Center located at 88 Fair Drive Costa Mesa, CA 92626 will open at 8 p.m. with uncovered temporary stalls. Please call 714-708-1588 to ensure your animals can be accommodated. For large animal sheltering at the OC Fair and Events Center, enter at Gate 5 off Arlington Drive.   The daily care as well as feed, medications and other necessary supplies will be the responsibility of the animal owner.

While evacuating please ensure that vehicles such as large trailers do not block roadways as this may impact the ability of first responders to travel to impacted areas.

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Orange County Public Works, Orange County Animal Care, the Orange County Fire Authority and the Orange County Sheriff's Department are working in Unified Command.

Residents are encouraged to check regularly for updates through local media, on the County of Orange's website – OCGov.com/News - and on social media following #OCCanyonFlood at:

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