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# **Evacuation Order (Mandatory) Issued for Bond Fire Burn Area**

**Santa Ana, Calif. (December 29, 2021):** Effective 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 10 a.m. Wednesday, December 29 until 4 p.m. Thursday, December 30 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 10 a.m. 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 <u>714-647-7000</u>.

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

Due to road closures in the area, the <u>Library of the Canyons</u> is closed on Thursday, December 30 and will remain closed until Monday, January 3.

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

#### **Evacuation Areas**

- Silverado Canyon Evacuation Order (Mandatory as of December 29, 2021 at 8 p.m.)
- Williams Canyon Evacuation Order (Mandatory as of December 29, 2021 at 8 p.m.)
- Modjeska Canyon Evacuation Order (Mandatory as of December 29, 2021 at 8 p.m.)

#### Hard Road Closures

• Hard road closures will be in place at canyon entrances beginning at 8 p.m. Wednesday, December 29, 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 (SSA) has opened a Care and Reception Center through Thursday, December 30 at 4 p.m. at the <u>Lake Forest Sports Park – 28000 Rancho</u> <u>Parkway, Lake Forest, CA 92630.</u> Directions may be found here: <u>https://www.lakeforestca.gov/722/Address-Directions</u>.

Staff are onsite and will be available throughout the night to offer evacuated residents a warm, dry place to wait out the storm. Red Cross is on standby to support SSA in offering congregate, dormitory overnight shelter at the Sports Park as needed. Residents may also contact our hotline at <u>714-628-7085</u> to request assistance.

Evacuating residents who have COVID-19 or COVID-like symptoms are asked to call <u>714-628-</u> <u>7085</u> 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 <u>714-935-6848</u> from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. or <u>714-259-1122</u> 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 <u>1630 Victory Road Tustin, CA 92782</u>. 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, <u>OC Fair and Events Center</u> located at <u>88 Fair Drive Costa Mesa</u>, <u>CA 92626</u> will open at 8 p.m. with uncovered temporary stalls. Please call <u>714-708-1588</u> 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 – <u>OCGov.com/News</u> - and on social media following #OCCanyonFlood at:

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