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Effective Thursday, February 12 at 8 am: Evacuation Warning (Voluntary) Issued for Canyons Near Airport Fire Burn Scar

Santa Ana, Calif. (February 12, 2025) Effective Thursday, February 13 at 8 am, an Evacuation Warning (Voluntary) will be issued for areas in Trabuco Canyon, Hot Springs Canyon, Bell Canyon, Long Canyon and Modjeska Canyon due to possible debris flows along or near the Airport Fire burn scar. A map with detailed depictions of the areas under Evacuation Warning (voluntary) can be found at www.ocsheriff.gov/airportfire.

The National Weather Service has issued a Flood Watch for the burn scar area for Thursday, February 13 at 10 am through Friday, February 14 at 4 am for the expected rain event.

Canyon residents are strongly encouraged to prepare and voluntarily evacuate on Thursday, February 13 at 8 am, especially those with disabilities, access and/or functional needs, and canyon residents with large animals.

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](tel:714-647-7000).

Orange County Animal Care encourages animal owners in voluntary evacuation areas to implement their personal evacuation plans at this time. Pet evacuation tips are available at: <https://ocpetinfo.com/education-resources/disaster-preparedness>.

Any person needing assistance with information about animal or large animal evacuations should call Orange County Animal Care at [714-935-6848](tel:714-935-6848) during normal hours from 8 am to 5 pm or [714-259-1122](tel:714-259-1122) during after-hours from 5 pm to 8 am.

To report storm-related issues with a County road or flood control channel, call the Orange County Public Works Storm Center at [714-955-0333](tel:714-955-0333) during flash flood events and emergencies when OC Public Works' Department Operations Center is activated.

Evacuation Areas

- Trabuco Canyon - Evacuation Warning (VOLUNTARY – as of February 13 at 8 a.m.)
- Hot Springs Canyon Evacuation Warning (VOLUNTARY – as of February 13 at 8 a.m.)
- Bell Canyon Evacuation Warning (VOLUNTARY – as of February 13 at 8 a.m.)
- Long Canyon Evacuation Warning (VOLUNTARY – as of February 13 at 8 a.m.)
- Modjeska Canyon Evacuation Warning (VOLUNTARY – as of February 13 at 8 a.m.)



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Road Closures

Soft road closures may be in place in the Canyon locations, particularly in Trabuco Canyon and Modjeska Canyon near the Airport Fire burn scar.

OC Parks

Beginning on Thursday, February 13, [O'Neill Regional Park](#) will be closed, including the campgrounds, out of an abundance of caution.

Sheltering

Residents living in the evacuation areas are encouraged to leave early and plan for alternate shelter with friends, family or at a local hotel outside of the evacuation area. Depending on conditions, the Evacuation Warning (Voluntary) may transition to Evacuation Order (Mandatory) with little or no notice, so residents leaving the area are encouraged to plan accordingly.

In coordination with the Orange County Social Services Agency, Orange County Public Libraries and the American Red Cross will open a congregate (dormitory style) shelter location for evacuated residents of the Canyons 8 am on Thursday, February 13. The shelter will be located at the Foothill Ranch Library Program Annex, which is directly adjacent to the [Foothill Ranch Library](#) located at [27002 Cabriole Way, Foothill Ranch, CA 92610](#).

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 and on Facebook and Twitter following #OCCanyonFlood at:

Twitter: [@OCGovCA](#)

Facebook: [@OCGov](#)

Instagram: [@OCGov](#)

Twitter: [@OCSheriff](#)

Facebook: [@OCSheriff](#)

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