Always do this...

**PREP YOUR COMMUNICATIONS:**
- **Keep** your cell phone fully charged.
- **Notify** an out-of-area contact of your phone number, location and status. Update regularly.
- **Leave** a note with your contact info and out-of-area contact taped to fridge or inside a front window.

**KEEP ON YOUR PERSON:**
- **Dress** all family members in long sleeves and long pants; heavy cotton or wool is best, no matter how hot it is.
- **Wear** full coverage goggles, leather gloves, head protection.
- **Cover** faces with a dry cotton or wool bandanna or scarf over an N95 respirator. **Tie** long hair back.
- **Carry** car keys, wallet, ID, cell phone, and spare battery.
- **Drink** plenty of water, stay hydrated.
- **Put** “Go Kits” in your vehicle.

**PETS AND ANIMALS:**
- **Locate** your pets and place in carriers NOW. You won’t be able to catch them when the fire approaches.
- **Pets are wearing tags and are registered with microchips.**
- **Place** carriers (with your pets in them) near the front door, with fresh water and extra food.
- **Prepare** horses and large animals for transport and consider moving them to a safe location early, before evacuation is ordered.

**When you leave...**
- **Leave immediately** if ordered.
- **Don’t wait**—if you feel unsafe or conditions worsen, leave early.
- **Assist** elderly or disabled neighbors.
- **Carpool** with neighbors.
- **Take** only essential vehicles with adequate fuel.
- **In your car,** **turn on** headlights, **close** windows, **turn on** inside air and AC, **tune to** local radio.
- **Drive slowly** and be observant.
- **Take** the fastest paved route to a valley floor, away from the fire.
- **Know at least two routes.** Proceed downhill, away from the fire.
- **If roads are impassable or you are trapped:** take shelter in a building, car, or an open area; stay far from vegetation; look for wide roads, parking lots, playing fields, etc.
- **If trapped,** you are better protected inside a building or vehicle.
- **Don’t abandon your car** in the road. If you must leave your car, park it off the road.
- **Evacuate on foot only** as a last resort.
- **Don’t evacuate** by fire road, uphill, or into open-spaces near unburned vegetation.
- **Remain calm**—panic is deadly.

**HANDY SHOPPING LIST (START SMALL AND WITH A FEW ITEMS AT A TIME)**

**WILDFIRE & EMERGENCY Go Kit**
- Sturdy shoes or boots
- Long sleeve shirt, long pants (cotton or wool, bright colors are best)
- Floppy cotton hat (to keep embers out of hair)
- Leather work gloves
- Full coverage goggles
- N95 respirator
- Cotton bandanna
- A copy of this flyer and map
- Prescriptions medications (ask your doctor for a multi-day emergency supply, rotate annually)
- Spare battery & charger for phone
- Extra eyeglasses or contact lenses
- Extra set of car keys
- Credit cards, cash or traveler’s checks
- First aid kit (compact)
- Headlamp and Flashlight (handheld)
- Battery-powered radio
- Spare batteries
- Sanitation supplies
- Copies of important documents (birth certificates, passports, etc.)

**PET SUPPLIES:**
- Carriers for each pet
- Leashes
- Pet food and water

**ITEMS TO TAKE IF TIME ALLOWS:**
- Easily carried valuables
- Family photos and other small, irreplaceable items
- Personal computer information on hard drives and/or disks (offsite or “cloud” backup is best)
- Laptop or tablet & spare chargers

GET CONNECTED