



Evacuation Plan

Yankee Hill Concow Cherokee Pulga Jarboe Gap



Wildland Fire—Are you prepared?

Here's what to do:

- Create a household safety plan
- Assemble an emergency “go bag”
- Develop and maintain 100' defensible space
- Learn about the new evacuation notices
- Understand what to do when a wildfire approaches
- Discover what to do if you become trapped and how to “shelter in place”

INSIDE: What you need to know and can do before, during and after a wildfire



American Red Cross



Prepare Your Household Safety Plan

1. Meet with your entire family and discuss what each member needs to do to remain safe.
2. Determine how and where you would transport family pets and animals. Make sure your animals are easily identified and plan for food and water. Remember the Red Cross shelters do not accept pets. Contact the North Valley Animal Disaster Group for assistance. 530/895-0000
3. Determine an out-of-area central point of contact; this can be a physical location and/or a phone number.
4. Designate a local contact for care of children and pets.
5. Review the Emergency Travel Routes and Public Assembly Points. Make sure everyone becomes familiar with each location and would be able to find them if need be.
6. Complete your personalized Household Safety Plan (below).
7. Set up practice drills with your family before fire season starts.
8. Update your Household Safety Plan annually or as needed.

Our Household Safety Plan

Our address _____

Our phone(s) _____

If evacuated, we will meet at _____

Our local contact to care for our children and pets in the event roads are closed is _____

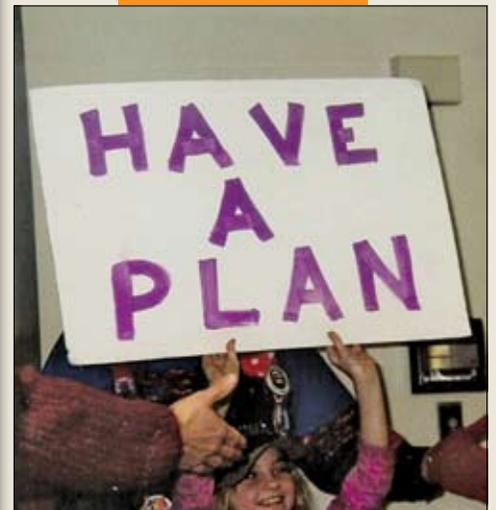
Relationship _____

Our children's school and phone(s) _____

Other important contacts _____

Neighbors who may need assistance to evacuate _____

Emergency: 911 | Red Cross: 530/891-0811
North Valley Animals Disaster Group Hotline: 530/895-0000



Assemble a “Go Bag”

Notice of an evacuation doesn't always allow you time to gather needed essentials. Plan ahead and place them in one or more easy-to-carry containers; keep your “Go Bag” items in a location where you can quickly grab them. Update your “Go Bag” every six months—or as your needs change. Replace food, water, batteries and other perishable items with “first in, first out” practices.

Contents: Include a three-day supply for each family member

- Cash. In small denominations.
- Clothing. Change of clothes including undergarments (consider warm and cold weather).
- Deck of cards/small game (entertainment for children or adults).
- Duct tape, cord and zip ties.
- Dust mask and gloves . N95 Respirator face mask.
- Emergency blanket.
- Emergency lighting. Glow Sticks, flashlight, headlamp and extra batteries.
- Evacuation plan and maps. Includes completed “Household Safety Plan” and “Evacuation Route Map.”
- First aid kit (with first aid manual).
- Food. Dried or canned that doesn't require cooking.
- Identification. Copy of driver's license/ID card, health insurance card. Contact Information/contacts. Include family and friends.
- Keys. Extra set.
- Medications. Non-prescription medications, list of prescription numbers and allergies.
- Multi-purpose tool. Several tools that fold up into a pocket-sized unit (includes a can opener).
- Pen and paper.
- Personal documents. Copies of insurance policies, birth certificates, deed/lease to home.
- Personal hygiene. Toothbrush/paste, hair brush.
- Pet “Go Bag” – Food, water, bowl, plastic bags, litter, leash, medical and immunization records, medicine, current photo, transport carrier and names and phone numbers of your veterinary hospitals and animal shelters.
- Radio. Hand-crank style or include extra batteries.
- Sanitation. Include Wet Wipes, toilet paper, garbage bags and twist ties.
- Sturdy shoes.
- Utensils and cups. As needed for food and water.
- Visual aids. Spare eyeglasses or contacts/solution.
- Water. One gallon per person, per day.
- Whistle. To signal for help.

These last-minute items should be added to the bag as time allows:

- Medications/prescriptions.
- Cell phone/charger.
- Family photos.
- Emergency scanner/radio.
- Computer hard drives/laptop.

Want more ideas? Go to RedCross.org and 72Hours.org

Take Responsibility...

Protect your home. Create 100 feet of defensible space!

Why 100 feet? It's the law!

California Public Resource Code, section 4291 | California Government Code, section 51182

Contact the Yankee Hill Fire Safe Council for a free Dooryard Education Visit and Home Evaluation. Consider developing a water source for your property: Approved sites will receive a “water source” identification sign from the Yankee Hill Fire Safe Council.



Resources:

Fire Safe Councils

Yankee Hill Fire Safe Council
YankeeHillFireSafe.org
Butte County Fire Safe Council
TheNet411.net
California Fire Safe Council
FireSafeCouncil.org

Additional information

California Fire Alliance
CaFireAlliance.org
FIREWISE
FireWise.org
Center for Fire Research and Outreach
FireCenter.berkeley.edu
CALFIRE
Fire.ca.gov

Burn Permits/Burn Day Status

CALFIRE
Fire.ca.gov
Butte Unit: 530/538-7111
Jarboe Gap: 530/538-7199
Butte County Air Quality Management District
bcaqumd.org
530/896-2537 | 866/240-0859

Red Flag Warning

California Fire Weather
www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/cafw

Fire News

YubaNet.com

Online Scanner

Butte County Fire Safe Council
TheNet411.net

How to program your personal scanner

Go to this site and click on “Resources” then “Freqs”
TheNet411.net

Ember Awareness Checklist

Wood Roof

Replace wood shake and shingle roofs with fire-resistant types such as composition, metal and tile.

Roof Openings

Plug openings in roof coverings, such as the open ends of barrel tiles, with non-combustible materials.

Roof Debris

Routinely remove plant debris, such as pine needles, leaves, branches and bark, from the roof.

Skylights

Replace plastic skylights with types constructed of double-pane glass. One of the panes should be tempered glass. Close skylights if wildfire threatens.

Spark Arrester

Install an approved spark arrester on chimneys.

Windows

Replace single-pane, non-tempered glass windows with multiple-pane, tempered-glass types. Close all windows if wildfire is threatening.

Vents

Cover attic, eave and foundation vents with 1/8-inch wire mesh or install new vent types designed to prevent ember entry. If wildfire is threatening, consider covering vent openings with pre-cut plywood or aluminum foil folded several layers thick and stapled.

Rain Gutters

Keep rain gutters free of plant debris during fire season. Consider using rain gutter covers to reduce maintenance.

Siding

Fill gaps in siding and trim materials with a good quality caulk and replace poor condition building materials.

Woodpiles

Move firewood stacks and scrap lumber piles at least 30 feet from the house or other buildings.

Patio Furniture

Place combustible patio furniture, such as lounges, tables and hammocks, inside the house or garage if wildfire is threatening.

Deck Boards

Replace deck boards that are less than one inch thick or that are in poor condition with thicker, good condition-boards. Use metal flashing between the deck and the house.

Deck Debris

Remove plant debris from the gaps between deck boards, the gap between the deck and house, and lying on top of the deck.

Porch and Deck Accessories

If wildfire is threatening, remove combustible materials from the porch and deck including newspapers, wicker baskets, door mats, pine cones and dried flower arrangements, and place BBQ propane tanks indoors.

Under the Deck

Remove plant debris, wood piles and other easily ignited materials from under decks. Consider enclosing the open sides of the deck with siding materials that are properly vented or 1/8-inch wire mesh to reduce maintenance and deter em-

ber entry. Do not use wooden lattice to enclose decks.

Flowerboxes

Remove wooden flowerboxes from beneath windows if wildfire is threatening.

Eaves

Cover open eaves with sheathing, such as plywood or fiber-cement board. Use tongue and groove joints or other intricate joint types and don't use butt joints.

Flowerbeds

Replace wood mulches with noncombustible types and remove plant debris, including dried grass and flowers, dead leaves and dead branches from flowerbeds next to the house, other buildings and next to wooden fences. Replace ornamental junipers with low-growing deciduous shrubs or flowers under irrigation.

Vehicles

Close vehicle windows. Back into the garage and close the garage door or park away from the house.

Garage Door

Adjust garage doors to achieve as tight a fit as possible with the door frame. Consider using trim around the garage door opening to reduce the size of gap openings. Close the garage door if wildfire is threatening.

Garbage Cans and Recycling Bins

Use garbage cans covered with tight fitting lids near the house or other buildings. Move newspaper recycling bins indoors.

Wooden Fences

Maintain wooden fences in good condition and create a noncombustible fence section or gate next to the house for at least five feet.



This house was ignited by burning embers landing on vulnerable spots. Notice the adjacent forest is not burning.

Evacuation advisories to be prepared for:

Evacuation advisories may stay in effect for several days. After the threat is mitigated, access will be limited to residents with identification.

Evacuation Warning: Residents in our community will be advised of a potential threat to life and property. There is probability that an area will be affected and prepares residents for a potential Evacuation Order.

Evacuation Order: This requires residents to immediately move out of an affected area due to an imminent threat.

Shelter in Place: Advises residents to stay secure at their current location. This is used only if evacuation will cause a higher potential for loss of life than remaining in place.

Rescue: Emergency actions taken within the affected area to recover and help injured or trapped citizens leave the area. Entry into this area is restricted to rescue workers only.

Traffic Closures

Level 1: Closed to all traffic except emergency responders, critical responders (e.g. public works, PG&E, animal rescue) and residents.

Level 2: Closed to all traffic except emergency responders and critical resources.

Level 3: Closed to all traffic except emergency responders.

Level 4: Closed to all traffic due to potential hazard to life.

Wildfire approaching? If you have time, do this:

Locate your “Go Bag” and put the items in your vehicle.

Park your vehicle facing outward; carry your vehicle keys with you.

Locate your pets and secure them nearby. Prepare large animals for transport.

Cover up. Wear long pants, long sleeve shirt, heavy shoes/boots and a cap. Have a dry bandanna for a face cover—or use goggles or glasses. Clothing which is 100% cotton is best.

Close drapes, blinds or shutters across your home’s windows.

Leave lights on in the house. Unlock doors.

Move propane BBQ appliances away from structures.

Turn off the main valve to the propane.

Place connected garden hoses and buckets full of water around the outside of the house.

Place ladder outside for roof access.

Clean out gutters, plug up downspouts and fill gutters with water.

If you become trapped by a quickly-approaching fire:

While in vehicle: *Stay calm and keep your family together.*

Park your vehicle in an area clear of vegetation.

Close all windows and vents.

Cover yourself with a wool blanket or jacket.

Lie on the vehicle’s floor.

Alert officials by calling 911 from your cell phone.

While on foot: *Stay calm and keep your family together.*

Go to an area clear of vegetation—if possible, a ditch or depression.

Lie face down; cover up.

Alert officials by calling 911 from your cell phone.

While in your home: *Stay calm and keep your family together.*

Call 911 and alert authorities of your location.

Fill sinks and tubs with cold water.

Keep doors and windows closed, but not locked.

Stay inside your home.

Stay away from outside walls and windows.

How you'll be notified:

- Fire personnel.
- Door-to-door contact by Sheriff's Department or their volunteers.
- Emergency Alert System on radio and television.
- Local radio stations:
KPAY—1290 AM
KMXI—95.1 FM
KHSL—103.5 FM
KCEZ—100.7 FM
KFMF—93.9 FM

**Yankee Hill
information station
AM 1630**



Sheltering options:

Shelter in Place

Your home is an option during a low intensity fire when fire officials feel it is safe to stay. Structures must have good clearance, and building construction must be of fire-resistant materials.

Public Assembly Points

These are temporary holding areas providing a safe haven for a small group of people until shelter locations are established. Safety Zones are located throughout our community. Be aware that not all Safety Zones may be in place during an emergency due to the fire's location.

Shelter

Red Cross establishes shelters for the immediate and short-term housing and care of evacuated residents. The North Valley Animal Disaster Group establishes shelter for immediate and short-term care of evacuated large and small pets.

Alternative Location

If you choose not to go to a Red Cross Shelter, determine alternative housing possibilities in advance. Notify Red Cross personnel about your location, in case family members or friends are trying to locate you.



When can people go back to their homes?

The Fire Department will determine when it's safe for citizens to move back into their homes. Be assured this will be done as soon as possible. Passes may be issued for local residents.

Return notices will be announced through the media as well as at road blocks, safety zones and relocation centers.

After the fire passes:

- Check the exterior and roof immediately; extinguish all sparks and embers. Use caution if you must climb on the roof.
- Check inside the attic for burning embers; extinguish any you find.
- Check your yard for burning woodpiles, trees, fence posts or other materials and extinguish.



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Mission

To educate the community and increase awareness to fire risks, reduce wildfire fuel loading, conserve natural resources and prepare for other disasters.

Vision

That all community members are knowledgeable, self sufficient and responsible for their own personal fire safety and, after a wildfire occurs, the impact is visibly lessened where homes and natural resources survive and no loss of life is experienced.

Values

Together we will seek to do the right thing even when it is difficult, hold ourselves accountable, do business above reproach, encourage creative problem solving and achieve our mission with integrity, enthusiasm and good ethical practices while maintaining respect for our neighbors as we help effectively and passionately achieve fire safety for families, their animals and their property through education.



Yankee Hill/Concow recognized as a FIREWISE community since 2009.