

EVACUATION ADVICE

Pre-Evacuation Steps

Prepare Yourself

- Stay calm. Follow your evacuation plan.
- Dress in pants & a long-sleeved shirt (cotton or wool) and close-toed shoes.
- Pull car up to house and park facing outward. Roll up all windows & turn off the vent or a/c.
- If you're pulling a trailer, hook it up.
- Load go-box (see below) and anything else you want to take (cellphones, computers, medications, sentimental treasures) in the car. Load the most important items first.
- Get pets/livestock rounded up & ready to go.
- Put hats, bandanas, goggles/safety glasses in car.
- Fill windshield wiper reservoir, put wet-wipes or roll of paper towels & spray bottle of cleaner in car.

Prepare Your Property (last-minute mitigation steps)

- Clean leaf/needle litter out of gutters, off & out from under decks, etc.
- Move small propane bottles away from structures & flammable areas.
- Move all flammable objects away from structure or put inside (mats, brooms, etc).
- Move patio furniture away from house & out of the way of firefighters.
- Clearly mark locations of cisterns & other water sources.
- Attach hoses to outside faucets and charge the hoses (run water until it comes out the end), but do not leave running.
- Shut off propane tank & close all exterior vents.
- Lean a metal ladder against the house.

Prepare Your House

- Close all windows and doors (do not lock doors).
- Leave some lights on.
- Turn off all fans and air conditioners.
- Close heavy drapes or shutters. Remove any light curtains.
- Close all interior doors.
- Wrap a white towel around the doorknob and, if possible, leave a note on the door saying that everyone is out.
- If you're leaving a vehicle, don't park it over flammable materials or blocking a driveway or road. Make sure all the windows are up.

Your Go-Box should contain:

- Important documents (birth certificates, deeds, wills, bank & credit card statements, insurance papers, etc)

- Medications, spare glasses, first aid kit
- Money/checkbook
- Spare clothing
- Toiletries
- Sentimental items
- Pet food, leashes, etc (keep pet carriers near your go-box)
- Additional to add during an evacuation:
 - Computers & other electronics
 - Cellphone
 - Money
 - Food & water (also keep water in your car at all times)
 - Sentimental items

Tape a list of what's in the go-box on top of the go-box. Also tape on the go-box a list of any additional items you want to gather up if you receive a pre-evacuation notice.

******* SIGN UP TO RECEIVE CELLPHONE ALERTS FROM LETA *******

Larimer Emergency Telephone Authority (LETA) Contacts you about evacuations in the area you've registered to receive notifications for via whatever method you choose:

Phone – landline or cellphone

Text

E-Mail

You must sign up at www.leta911.org
OR
www.nocoalert.org