



EDUCATE YOURSELF!



BEWARE CALIFORNIA WILDFIRES



Let's work together to make our home a greener place.

**HOW TO PREPARE AND SURVIVE THE
RAGING FLAMES**

DID YOU KNOW?

-FROM JANUARY 1, 2018 TO NOVEMBER 26, 2018, THERE HAVE BEEN 52,303 FIRES WITH 8,543,463 ACRES BURNED

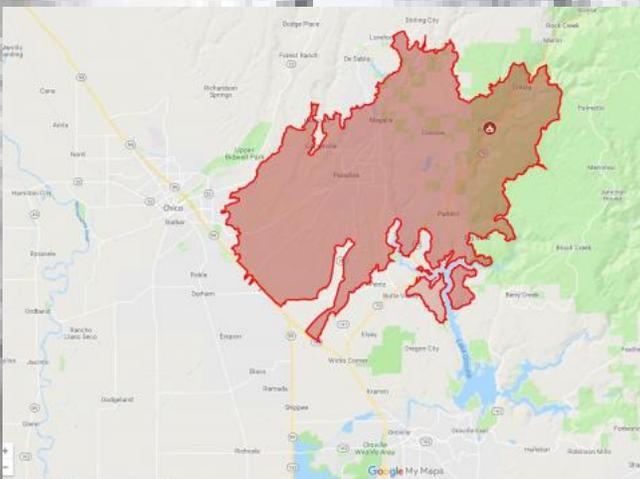
**- AS MANY AS 90 PERCENT OF WILDLAND FIRES IN THE UNITED STATES ARE CAUSED BY PEOPLE
- CAN RESULT FROM CAMPFIRES LEFT UNATTENDED, THE BURNING OF DEBRIS, DOWNED POWER LINES, NEGLIGENTLY DISCARDED CIGARETTES AND INTENTIONAL ACTS OF ARSON. THE REMAINING 10 PERCENT ARE STARTED BY LIGHTNING OR LAVA.**



CAMP FIRE

-THE CAMP WILDFIRE BROKE OUT IN BUTTE COUNTY, NORTHERN CALIFORNIA ON NOVEMBER 8TH AND BECAME THE DEADLIEST AND MOST DESTRUCTIVE FIRE ON RECORD

-CAMP FIRE (NOW CONTAINED) BURNED 153,336 ACRES, KILLED 88 PEOPLE AND DESTROYED 18,733 STRUCTURES WITH 13,972 HOMES LOST



WHAT TO DO WHEN WILDFIRE STRIKES

- EVACUATE IMMEDIATELY IF TOLD TO DO SO
- IF TRAPPED, CALL 911 AND GIVE YOUR LOCATION. BE AWARE THAT EMERGENCY RESPONSE COULD BE DELAYED OR IMPOSSIBLE. TURN ON LIGHTS TO HELP RESCUERS FIND YOU.
- LISTEN TO EAS, NOAA WEATHER RADIO, OR LOCAL ALERTING SYSTEMS FOR CURRENT EMERGENCY INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS.
- USE N95 MASKS TO AVOID BREATHING IN HARMFUL PARTICLES
- IF NOT ORDERED TO EVACUATE BUT SMOKY CONDITIONS EXIST, STAY INSIDE IN A SAFE LOCATION OR GO TO A COMMUNITY BUILDING WHERE SMOKE LEVELS ARE LOWER.

FUN FACT!

LARGE FIRES CAN CREATE THEIR OWN WINDS AND WEATHER, INCREASING THEIR FLOW OF OXYGEN...
A REALLY LARGE FIRE CAN GENERATE HURRICANE-FORCE WINDS, UP TO 120 MPH!





**HANDLE
WITH CARE...
KEEP AN EYE
ON YOUR
CAMPFIRE!**



HOW TO PREPARE FOR A WILDFIRE IN THE FUTURE

- SIGN UP FOR YOUR COMMUNITY'S WARNING SYSTEM**
- KNOW YOUR COMMUNITIES EVACUATION PLANS & FIND SEVERAL WAYS TO LEAVE THE AREA**
- GATHER EMERGENCY SUPPLIES**
- DESIGNATE A ROOM THAT CAN BE CLOSED OFF FROM OUTSIDE AIR**
- CLOSE ALL DOORS AND WINDOWS**
- KEEP IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS IN A FIREPROOF, SAFE PLACE**
- FIND AN OUTDOORS WATER SOURCE WITH A HOSE THAT CAN REACH YOUR PROPERTY**
- CREATE A FIRE RESISTANT ZONE- ONE FREE OF DEBRIS/FLAMMABLE MATERIALS AT LEAST 30 FEET FROM YOUR HOME**
- PAY ATTENTION TO AIR QUALITY ALERTS**



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