



Kittitas County Evacuation Planning Guide



Kittitas County has been a victim of a large number of wild land fires in the past four years. We would like the people in Kittitas County to be informed and prepared for this year's fire season.

This guide is the first step in better preparing your family if your area becomes evacuated.

LEVEL 1: Be Ready

Level 1 Evacuation notice is a warning that current or projected threats from hazards associated with the approaching fire(s) are severe.

Level 1 is the time for preparation and precautionary movement of persons with special needs. You should be tuning into information posted on the Kittitas County Sheriff's Office Facebook page, Kittitas County Sheriff's Twitter, and/or the Kittitas County Sheriff's Office website, for the most up to date information.

Preparation for evacuation routes should be made.

Emergency evacuation supply kits should be made.

Level 2 Evacuation Notice means the conditions indicate a good probability that hazards associated with the approaching fire(s) will severely limit our ability to provide emergency service protection. Dangerous conditions exist that may threaten your residence.

You must prepare yourself and family to leave at a moment's notice. In a

Level 2 evacuation notice, we recommend evacuating special needs or mobility-restricted family members. We recommend moving livestock to a safer location. Have a plan to gather children and pets to be able to leave quickly.

Law Enforcement and Fire personnel will try to notify you of evacuation changes, however, we can not guarantee that we will be able to notify you of a Level 3 notification due to dangerous, rapidly evolving situations. It is imperative that you monitor where the fire is, what the fire is doing and where your escape route will be.



Level 3 Evacuation Notice means the current conditions present an immediate threat to life and safety of person within the area.

You are advised to evacuate immediately. Fire and Law Personnel will provide you with specific information on the route to take. We

will advise you of where a temporary shelter will be set up. If you choose to ignore this advisement, you must understand that emergency services may not be available. Roads may be shut down and barricaded.

Please monitor the evacuation level changes on the radio, Kittitas County Sheriff's Office Facebook page, Twitter and the Kittitas County Sheriff's Office website. Up to dates maps will be posted on those sites as soon as possible.

LEVEL 3: GO!

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I would like to thank you for taking the time and reading this brochure. Planning and preparing for unexpected hazards helps mitigate the loss of life.

Deputies and Fire crews will be doing their best to minimize the loss of property, however, your life and the lives of your family members are our number one priority. Please heed the evacuation notifications.

Start planning and preparing now for this year's fire season. Start fire wising your property in the spring. Have a plan for evacuations. Keep informed. Thank you and be safe.

Sincerely,

Gene Dana



Kittitas County Sheriff's Office website:
<http://www.co.kittitas.wa.us/sheriff/>



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Wildfire home preparedness:
<http://Firewise.org>

Ready, Set, Go! Wildland fire preparedness:
<http://wildlandfirersg.org>



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