

## FIRE WEATHER BARN ROUTINE

Prep on Fire Weather WATCH days.

Turn Prep Into Action at start of Fire Weather WARNING and RED FLAG periods.



Visit Cal Fire's "Ready, Set, Go!" web site or your local FireSafe Council or Firewise Community site for defensible space and property access guidance.

Your home, barn, property, and vehicles should be wildfire-ready before a Fire Weather alert is issued.

This checklist is focused on your equine, large animal and pet preparations.

- Confine animals where they can be caught quickly.
- ✓ Stage halters, lead ropes, leashes, crates and carriers for quick access.
- ✓ Make sure all animals have visible ID.
- ✓ Fuel up vehicles.
- Remove bedding from trailers.
- Review loading priorities.
- Prep trailer ties.
- ✓ Load truck copy of your AEP, including animal care sheets and current vax & health records (including Coggins, if needed).
- Load Go-Bags and First-Aid kits for people & animals.
- Load feed, water, equipment.
- Load your Personal Protection Equipment (PPE).
- Stage transport rigs for a quick exit, and turn around without having to back up.
- Check in with your helpers and destinations.
- Confirm reservations.
- Review travel routes with all helpers & haulers.
- ▼ Transport all top-priority animals during daylight and allow time to return rigs to barn before dark.





are ongoing or imminent.

A Red Flag Warning is the HIGHEST level of warning

## RED FLAG SHELTER-in-PLACE PREP

If your Evacuation Plan includes sheltering some animals in place, complete all preparations BEFORE Fire Weather WARNING or RED FLAG begins.

More info at HALTER Project.org

## SHELTER-in-PLACE CHECKLIST

- Have animal refuge areas prepared.
- ✓ Leave extra halters & ropes for every equine in fire-resistant container.
- Store feed in secure fire-resistant containers 50' (minimum) away from animals.
- ☑ Remove halters, masks, wraps, sheets.
- Braid or trim tails up to hock length.
- ▼ Trim fetlock feathers.
- Check for loose shoes.
- Increase humidity in refuge area.
- Add water troughs, top off all.
- Secure troughs so they cannot tip over.
- ✓ Leave gates closed and unlocked.
- Turn all animals out, but never loose in close proximity to roads.
- Close barn and shed doors.
- Deactivate electric gates and fences.
- Notify Animal Services of animals on site.

