



MENDOCINO COUNTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
CARMEL J. ANGELO
REPORT TO THE BOARD
OCTOBER 17, 2017

The CEO Report

October 17, 2017

Mendocino Lake Complex Fire

Recap/Current Status of Fire

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In the early morning hours of October 9, 2017, fires started in Potter Valley and Redwood Valley. Mandatory evacuations occurred throughout the week. Red Cross shelters were established at Ukiah High School and Willits High School. On October 15, 2017, these two shelters were moved to Mendocino College in Ukiah. Animal shelters were available at the Ukiah Animal Shelter and the fairgrounds in Ukiah, Boonville and Lakeport. The Mendocino County Sheriff hosted several press conferences/community meetings over the last week to keep County citizens informed of the fire, available resources and important information. Further, Press Releases have been issued by the Executive Office on a daily basis, sometimes multiple times per day.

On October 9, 2017, at 9:39 a.m., Mendocino County Sheriff Thomas D. Allman declared a State of Emergency in Mendocino County to the Office of the Governor. Since that date, the President of the United States has affirmed the Declaration of State of Emergency.

As of October 16, 2017, CalFire reports the fire is at 50% containment. Mendocino County has received assistance from agencies all over California and neighboring states, as well as the National Guard.

Repopulation:

On October 14, 2017, repopulation of portions of the evacuated/non-burned areas in Redwood Valley and Potter Valley began, and on October 15, 2017, further repopulation began for portions of the burned areas. Important health notices were issued regarding the dangers of repopulating fire affected areas.

Emergency Operations Center (EOC):

The Emergency Operations Center (EOC) was activated and closed at 9:00 p.m. on October 16, 2017. The Call Center remains open. The number is (707) 467-6428. Human Resources was tasked with scheduling 24/7 coverage for the Emergency Operations Call Center. For the period of October 9 through October 20, 2017, County employees have been scheduled to cover 354 Call Center shifts. Human Resources is thankful for the dedication of our County employees from all Departments who have stepped up as Disaster Service Workers and helped wherever and whenever needed.

Contact Information:

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Local Assistance Center (LAC):

Mendocino County will be coordinating a Local Assistance Center (LAC) beginning today, October 17, 2017, for individuals, families, and businesses impacted by the fire. The LAC will be located at Mendocino College, 1000 Hensley Creek Road in Ukiah, and will be open daily from 10:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., for the next two weeks. Citizens will be able to access available disaster assistance programs and services at the LAC, as well as apply for replacement of vital records or driver's licenses. Assistance with food, clothing, temporary housing and medical appointments will also be available. A flyer with additional information is attached.

**Debris Removal:**

Citizens have also been cautioned about the toxic substances in debris and ash from the residential and structural fires. Further, household waste such as spoiled food from refrigerators and freezers also must be disposed of properly. The County set up dumpsters for waste drop off on Saturday, October 14, 2017, in Redwood Valley and Potter Valley.

Stay plugged in and up-to-date with the latest Mendocino County News by visiting www.mendocinocounty.org.

The County is working to secure assistance from State agencies that will ensure proper handling and disposal of debris and ash from the fire. We will keep the public updated as this process develops.

N95 Mask Distribution:

Human Resources coordinated and executed two "drive through" N95 mask distributions for the public in Ukiah and Willits on October 12 and 13, 2017. Over 700 masks were distributed during these events and another 700 masks were made available at the Willits and Ukiah Libraries for distribution over the weekend. Masks are also available to the public at the Mendocino County Executive Office.

Recovery Phase:

Mendocino County has moved into the Recovery Phase of the Mendocino Lake Complex Fire. All 8,000 evacuees have been allowed to return to their homes or neighborhoods. The Local Assistance Center (LAC) is open as of today at 10:00 a.m. Local, state and federal assistance is available at the LAC.



The shelter and the LAC will stay open as long as needed. Our goal is to reach everyone who has been affected by this fire. While the Emergency Operations Center has closed, the 24/7 Call Center remains open as long as needed.

<http://www.fire.ca.gov/>

Tammy Moss-Chandler has been designated as Recovery Director, effective Friday, October 13, 2017. Ms. Chandler will be assisted by the Executive Office in efforts to fully execute all Recovery activities.

Ms. Anne Molgaard will be Acting Health and Human Services Director as Ms. Chandler takes on these time-sensitive and critical duties for our County.

Air Quality:

Air quality in our area has been poor due to the fire. The Mendocino County Air Quality Management District continues to issue advisories as necessary. You can also visit their website at <http://www.co.mendocino.ca.us/aqmd>.

Contacts for Updates:

Real time updates are being made on the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/MendocinoSheriff> and Twitter feed <https://twitter.com/mendosheriff>.

For more information you can visit the Mendocino County Fire Information webpage at: <https://www.mendocinocounty.org/community/mendocino-county-fire-information>

Calls can also be made to the EOC at (707) 467-6428 while the Call Center remains open.



*Check out Mendocino County's Career Page,
powered by NEOGOV.*

<https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/mendocinoca>

Upcoming Board Meetings

Regular Meeting	October 17, 2017
Regular Meeting	November 7, 2017
Regular Meeting	November 13, 2017
Regular Meeting	November 14, 2017

October						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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Dates of Interest

County Holiday	November 10, 2017
County Holiday	November 23-24, 2017
CSAC Annual Meeting	November 27-30, 2017

November						
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Boards and Commissions Vacancies*

Board Name	Position
In-Home Supportive Services Advisory Council	Current or Former IHSS Recipient (two vacancies)

* Anticipated vacancies for October, 2017

Please note: Anticipated vacancies include expiring terms; the incumbent of the expiring term may apply for reappointment and/or may continue to serve in their capacity until replaced. California Government Code requires public noticing for all expiring terms regardless of the incumbent's intention to apply for reappointment.

	Regular Board Meeting
	Standing Committee Meeting
	County Holiday
	CSAC Annual Meeting

Attachments

1. Redwood Fire Local Assistance Center Flyer
2. Press Releases and Advisories from October 9-15, 2017, regarding Mendocino Lake Complex Fire

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REDWOOD FIRE

LOCAL ASSISTANCE CENTER

Opening TUESDAY, October 17, 2017

Location: Mendocino Community College Gymnasium
1000 Hensley Creek Road
Ukiah, CA 95482

Hours: 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM

This is a multi-agency support center providing assistance to residents affected by the Redwood fire. The LAC will have the following services and resources, including, but not limited to:

◦ Food Assistance	◦ Disaster Recovery Support	◦ Non-Profit Agencies
◦ Public Health / Environmental Health	◦ Counseling Services	◦ Vital Records
◦ Social Security Administration	◦ Agricultural Commission	◦ DMV
◦ Employment Development Department (EDD)	◦ State Contractor's Licensing Board	◦ Other County Departments and State Programs

Due to space constraints, donated goods will not be located on-site, and cannot be accepted.

For more information visit www.mendocinocounty.org/fireinfo or call (707)467-6428



INCENDIO REDWOOD

CENTRO DE ASISTENCIA LOCAL

Apertura el Martes 17 de Octubre de 2017

Ubicación: Gimnasio del Colegio Comunitario de Mendocino
1000 Hensley Creek Road, Ukiah, CA 95482

Horario: 10:00 AM a 7:00 PM todos los días

Este es un centro de apoyo de múltiples agencias que brinda asistencia a los residentes afectados por el incendio de Redwood.

La LAC (Local Assistance Center) tendrá los siguientes servicios y recursos que incluyen, pero no se limitan a:

◦ Asistencia de Alimentos	◦ Asistencia Para la Recuperación de Desastres	◦ Agencias sin Fines de Lucro
◦ Salud Pública/ Salud Ambiental	◦ Servicios de Consejería	◦ Documentos de Registro Civil
◦ Administración de Seguro Social	◦ Comisión Agrícola	◦ DMV
◦ Departamento de Desarrollo de Empleo (EDD)	◦ Agencia de Licenciatura de Contratistas	◦ Otros Departamentos del Condado y Programas Estatales

**Debido a las limitaciones del espacio,
los productos donados no se ubicarán en el sitio
y no pueden ser aceptados.**

Para más información visite www.mendocinocounty.org/fireinfo o llame (707)467-6428



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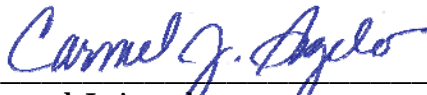
Ukiah, California: October 9, 2017

Redwood Valley Fire Update

On Monday, October 9, 2017, a major fire broke out in Redwood Valley and Potter Valley. There have been mandatory evacuations in Redwood Valley (all of the Redwood Valley Floor) south to Highway 20. The Emergency Operations Center (EOC) has been activated and is being operated by the Office of Emergency Services (OES) with the assistance of the Executive Office.

There are shelters open at Ukiah High School, Ukiah Fairgrounds for animals and livestock, as well as Ukiah Animal Shelter. Willits has a shelter in place at the Civic Center. The County is currently assessing needs for additional shelters, the County will provide more information as it becomes available.

For update to date fire information, evacuations notices or to locate family at a shelter, please contact the EOC at (707) 467-6428.

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Declared State of Emergency - Redwood Fire

On 10-09-2017 at 1:10 AM a Sergeant from the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office was on routine patrol in the area of Hawn Creek Road in Potter Valley, California.

During this time there was severe wind gusts which downed trees and power lines in this area of the valley. Shortly thereafter the Sergeant witnessed a ground fire which quickly traveled to the west towards Redwood Valley. The fire quickly invaded Redwood Valley resulting in the mandatory evacuations of residents.

As of 10-09-2017 at 10:00 AM there have been multiple structures destroyed with a reported fatality and numerous injuries as a result of the fire.

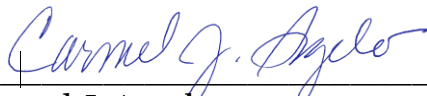
The Sheriff's Office is continuing to assist with mandatory evacuations and responding to assist residents who are unable to self-evacuate. The Sheriff's Office is also conducting theft prevention patrols and have arrested one person who was in the process of burglarizing an evacuated home.

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Further press releases are forth coming as the Redwood Fire progresses.

Real time updates are being made on the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/MendocinoSheriff/>) and Twitter feed (<https://twitter.com/mendosheriff>).

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Local Organizations Offering Meals to Redwood Valley Evacuees

In response to the Redwood and Potter Valley fires, shelters and local organizations are offering meals to those affected by the fires. The following locations will be serving dinner to evacuees tonight at 6:00 p.m.:

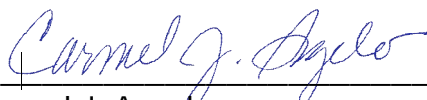
Coyote Valley Casino Event Center
7751 N State St, Redwood Valley, CA 95470
(707)485-0700

Ukiah Elks Lodge
1200 Hastings Rd, Ukiah, CA 95482
(707) 462-1728

Further press releases are forthcoming as the Redwood Fire progresses.

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UPDATE #1

On 10-09-2017 at 9:39 AM Mendocino County Sheriff Thomas D. Allman declared a State of Emergency in Mendocino County because of the Redwood Fire. That declaration has been communicated to the Office of the Governor.

Currently shelters have been established at the Ukiah High School, Willits High School, Ukiah Fair Grounds (people and animals) and the Ukiah Animal Shelter (animals).

Any inquires for air quality are asked to visit the Mendocino County Air Quality Management District website (<http://www.co.mendocino.ca.us/aqmd/>).

Real time updates are being made on the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/MendocinoSheriff/>) and Twitter feed (<https://twitter.com/mendosheriff>).

As of 10-09-2017 at 10:52 AM the following information is related to the Redwood Fire per CalFire:

Administrative Unit: CAL FIRE Mendocino Unit

County: Mendocino County

Location: North of Hwy 20, west of Mendocino National Forest, south of Black Bart

Acres Burned - 4,500 acres
Containment:

Evacuations: Evacuations are in place for Redwood Valley.
Evacuation centers: Ukiah High School and Willits City Hall.
The large animal evacuation center is at Ukiah Fair Grounds.

Road Closures: Hwy 101-Ridgewood Grade – from Uva Drive, Redwood Valley to Black Bart, Willits

Cause: Under Investigation

Cooperating Agencies: Redwood Valley Fire, Brooktrails Fire CHP, CAL TRANS, OES, Sheriff's Office at scene- All Mendocino Fire Departments are responding.

Total Fire Personnel: 231

Total Fire Engines: 6

Total Fire Crews: 7


Total Dozers: 2

Total Water Tenders: 1

Long/Lat: -123.16635/39.24873

Conditions: Cell service in the Potter Valley, Willits and Redwood Valley areas has been disrupted.

Power outages: Majority of Redwood Valley and portions of Potter Valley

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Willits Community Information Meeting and Upcoming Press Conference on the Redwood Complex Fire

Mendocino County will be holding a Willits Community Information meeting today at 2:00 p.m. at the Willits Library, 390 E. Commercial Street, Willits, CA 95490. The Sheriff's Office will be providing an update on evacuation areas, shelters, power outages and communication outages.

Sheriff Tom Allman said, "Due to the damaged communication lines, the amount of information being supplied to residents in the North has been very limited. Today, at 2 p.m., we will have representatives available to give updates to the residents."

"Many cell and internet connections are down due to the Redwood Complex Fire. The County of Mendocino is continuing to assist first responders and residents in this difficult time. I would like to thank Calfire, the Sheriff's Office, CHP, County staff and all first responders for their efforts," said Mendocino County Supervisor Georgeanne Croskey.

Also, the next Redwood Complex Fire press conference will be held today, October 10, 2017, at 4:00 p.m. at the County Administration Center, 501 Low Gap Road, Ukiah. Sheriff Tom Allman and Cal Fire will provide updated information on the fire and evacuation areas.

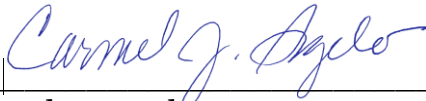
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Further press releases are forth coming as the Redwood Fire progresses. Real time updates are being made on the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/MendocinoSheriff/>) and Twitter feed (<https://twitter.com/mendosheriff>).

The County Emergency Operation Center (EOC) has been activated. The EOC number is (707) 467-6428. For more information on the Community Information Meet and Redwood Complex Press Conference, please call the Executive Office at (707) 463-4441.

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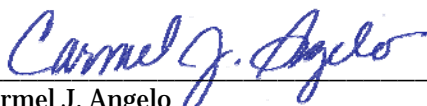
Ukiah, California: October 10, 2017

***County Reminds Public to Call 2-1-1
For Resource Information***

The County recognizes that it is important to be able to access services and information especially in times of need. 2-1-1 is an invaluable resource to our community, providing shelter information, referrals for food as well as general fire updates and information. Additionally, for those of you that need to check on the status of your family members and are not able to access the Safe and Well website yourself, 2-1-1 will provide this service for you. We want to urge our community members looking for services to call 2-1-1 for referrals and information to stay connected and informed of support in our area. Additional information regarding 2-1-1 can be found on their website at <http://www.211mendocino.org/>.

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Ukiah, California: October 12, 2017

N95 Masks Available for Residents with Respiratory Issues

The County will hold a "drive through" event for the public to pick up N95 masks in Ukiah and Willits. There are 500 masks available at each location for people with respiratory issues, such as asthma (limit one per person). The Ukiah event will begin at 3:30 PM today, Thursday, October 12, at Frank Seek School, 1060 North Bush Street in Ukiah. The Willits event will be held tomorrow, Friday, October 13, at 9:30 AM, in front of the Willits Library, 390 E. Commercial Street. An N95 respirator mask is a respiratory protective device that can protect your lungs from wildfire smoke. The N95 masks available at the events are reusable.

Smoke in heavy concentrations can cause eye and throat irritation, coughing, and difficulty breathing. People who are at greatest risk of experiencing symptoms due to smoke include: those with respiratory disease (such as asthma), those with heart disease, young children, and older adults. These sensitive populations should stay indoors and avoid prolonged activity. Even healthy adults can be affected by smoke. When air conditions are 'Unhealthy,' everyone should limit prolonged or heavy exertion activities outdoors.

If you have questions regarding the events, please contact Mendocino County Human Resources at (707) 234-6600. For up-to-date air conditions, please contact the Mendocino County Air Quality District at (707) 463-4354.

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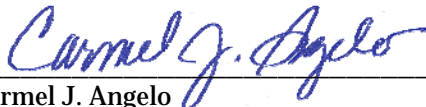
Ukiah, California: October 13, 2017

Mendocino Lake Complex Community Meeting

Mendocino County will be holding a Community meeting today at 6:30 p.m. at the Ukiah High School Cafetorium, 1000 Low Gap Road, Ukiah. The Sheriff's Office and CalFire will be providing an update on evacuation areas, shelters, power outages and repopulation. Following the regularly scheduled meeting, we will have a Spanish language briefing.

For more information on the community meeting, please contact the Emergency Operation Center at (707) 467-6428. Real time updates are being made on the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/MendocinoSheriff/>) and Twitter feed (<https://twitter.com/mendosheriff>). For fire information and resources, please visit www.mendocinocounty.org/fireinfo.

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Repopulation Health Information for Fire Affected Areas

With the repopulation of areas affected by the Mendocino Lake Complex Fire it's important for residents returning to these areas to exercise extreme caution. Fire, Law Enforcement, and utility crews continue to work in these areas, and please note there are many downed trees and other hazards.

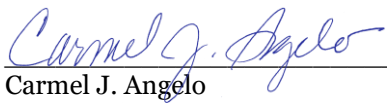
Mendocino County strongly supports CalFire's Repopulation Safety Message for all Mendocino County Residents. "It is extremely important to wear body protection when returning to the evacuated areas of the County," stated Tammy Moss Chandler, Director of the Health & Human Services Agency (HHSA). "Protective clothing, closed-toed shoes, eye protection and dust masks are essential for individuals returning to the impacted areas because ash and burnt materials contain chemicals that can be hazardous to you and your loved ones."

The County is providing Disposable N95 Particulate Respirator masks, and instructions for use, to individuals who will be returning to their property. It is particularly important for individuals who have heart or lung disease and those who are working out of doors to use the N95s.

Gloves and masks are being distributed by the County and California Army National Guard at, 8601 West Road, Ukiah (Eagle Peak Middle) starting at 4 p.m.

County of Mendocino Health and Human Services Agency is also coordinating with Red Cross and Behavioral Health & Recovery Services to provide mental health services to individuals who are impacted by the fires. Connections to mental health services are being provided directly at the Red Cross evacuation shelters in Willits and Ukiah. Other impacted residents may call Mendocino County's Mental Health Crisis Line at 1-855-838-0404.

For more information on repopulation, please call the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) (707) 467-6428. Real time updates are being made on the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/MendocinoSheriff/>) and Twitter feed (<https://twitter.com/mendosheriff>). Fire and resource information is available at www.mendocinocounty.org/fireinfo. Attached: CalFire Safety Message for Repopulation

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CALFIRE

Date: 10/13/2017 Time: 6:00 PM

Fire Information Line: (Redwood) 707-467-6428

Fire Information Line (Sulphur) 707-967-4207

Media Line: 562-619-7467

www.fire.ca.gov

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Repopulation Plan for POTTER VALLEY, REDWOOD VALLEY RANCHERIA, RIDGEWOOD RANCH/GOLDEN RULE, REEVES CANYON

The following areas will be allowed to repopulate. EVACUATION ORDERS for these areas are lifted, but will remain under an EVACUATION WARNING.

- Communities of Golden Rule Mobile Home park, Ridgewood Ranch, and Reeves Canyon Rd.
- Madrone Ln accessed off of Road I
- Redwood Ave including Redwood Valley Rancheria

Potter Valley in the following areas:

- Eel River Road south of the Stroh Ranch
- Powerhouse Road
- Gibson Ln east of Hawn Creek Rd
- Hawn Creek Rd
- Main St east of Hawn Creek
- Westside Potter Valley Road
- Spring Valley Road
- Potter Valley Rd from Hwy 20 to Main St (excluding Shale Ln)
- Remainder of the Potter Valley community, including everything west of the Lake County Line

HARD ROAD CLOSURES will be at the following locations. Only Fire, Law Enforcement, and Public Utilities may pass:

- Eel River Road at Oat Gap
- Potter Valley Road south of Stroh Ranch
- Busch Ln at Powerhouse Road-
- Gibson Lane at Hawn Creek Rd
- Shale Ln at Potter Valley Road

Residents returning to these areas should exercise extreme caution. Fire, Law Enforcement, and utility crews continue to work in the area, and there are many downed trees and other hazards. As these areas will remain under an EVACUATION WARNING, residents should be prepared to evacuate again on short notice.

Cooperating Agencies: Mendocino County; Lake County; Lake County Sheriff's Office; CAL OES; California Highway Patrol; CALTRANS; California Dept. of Corrections and Rehabilitation; American Red Cross; PG&E; United States Forest Service; California National Guard; National Weather Service; California Conservation Corps

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SAFETY MESSAGE

REPOPULATION

Mendocino Lake Complex Sulphur and Redwood Fires



With the repopulation and personal loss evaluations of your homes and property, CAL FIRE Incident Management Team 4 would like to provide a safety message emphasizing areas of personal concern you might not otherwise be aware of. Anytime a structure, residential or commercial, burns there are certain hazards associated with making access to the property. Many of these hazards have been mitigated by suppression and public utility personnel. However, there are many hazards which may still be present and cause illness or injury to you. The following safety message is provided as a guide to assist in keeping you and your family safe during this process.

- **Body Protection / What to wear when entering your property:**
 - Boots, jeans, gloves, long sleeve, dust masks and eye protection.
 - Do not wear shorts or open toe shoes such as flip flops.
- **Use extreme caution when in and around what appears to be cold ash, the ash could still contain heat:**
 - Constantly be aware of your surroundings and watch where you step at all times.
 - Work in pairs and groups, avoid working in the area for long periods of time.
 - Stay task focused and do your best to avoid distractions while you're working.
- **Traffic safety:**
 - Be aware of a large volume of fire department, utility company and media traffic. If possible please avoid bringing children and pets into the area.
 - When operating your vehicles in the damage area please stay focused and avoid distractions. Many of your neighbors have sustained losses and may not be attentive.
- **Use caution when in and around damaged structures:**
 - Be aware many residences may have cellars and hidden void spaces you could fall into.
 - Hidden nails and sharp objects are most likely present, be cautious where you place your feet.
 - Be on the lookout for free standing chimneys and other overhead hazards which could fall without warning.
- **If firearms are found:**
 - Assume that all firearms are loaded.
 - If you find a potentially loaded firearm and are not familiar with it, leave it where it is, keep it pointed in a safe direction, and contact the owner to place it in a safe location.
 - If you find a firearm damaged beyond repair the local law enforcement will dispose of it for you at no cost.
- **Ash and other burnt materials contain chemicals hazardous to you and your loved ones. Please consider the following before departing from your property:**
 - Wash your hands and boots before leaving your property and entering your vehicle.
 - Avoid cross contamination by washing your clothes before coming in contact with your family.
 - Avoid placing your hands around your face and mouth before they are cleaned.
 - Bring wet ones for keeping yourself clean.
 - Avoid using your hoses to wash around your homes, this sends hazardous waste into sewers.

In closing, CAL FIRE IMT 4s wish you would remain safe during this difficult time. In keeping safe, please remember the above simple yet effective safety suggestions. If you have further concerns about returning to your residence please consider looking at the following internet web sites:

http://calfire.ca.gov/communications/downloads/fact_sheets/PGE_ReturningHomeAfterAfterAFire_print.pdf



MENDOCINO COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICE

NEWS RELEASE

CONTACT: Executive Office (707) 463-4441

TO: MENDOCINO COUNTY NEWS MEDIA
FR: MENDOCINO COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Ukiah, California: October 13, 2017

ADVISORY NOTICE ***Redwood Fire Ash and Burn Debris Clean-up Removal***

Debris and ash from residential and other structural fires may contain toxic substances due to the presence of synthetic and hazardous materials. Many building materials contain asbestos, and older buildings often contain lead. Household hazardous waste such as gasoline, cleaning products, pesticides, and other chemicals may have been stored in homes, garages, or sheds that may have burned in the fire. These materials can become concentrated in ash and soil following a fire. It is important not to expose yourself, your family or others to any of these materials. Exposures can occur by sifting through and/or moving ash and debris, causing ash to become airborne and inhaled or ingested.

Household waste such as spoiled food from your refrigerator and freezer needs to be disposed of properly. The County is setting up dumpsters at various locations in evacuation areas for this type of waste. **No other type of waste, but food waste will be accepted at these locations.** Waste drop off locations will be open Saturday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at:

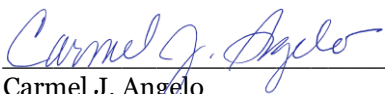
- Eagle Peak Middle School – 8601 West Road, Redwood Valley, CA
- Potter Valley Rodeo Grounds – 10747 Main Street, Potter Valley, CA

Mendocino County is working to secure assistance from State agencies that will ensure proper handling and disposal of debris and ash from the fire. In the meantime, in order to protect your health and the health of your neighbors and your community, property owners are strongly recommended to not begin cleanup activities at this time. In addition our local landfill is not currently prepared to accept fire debris.

Mendocino County is also working with state agencies to safely collect and dispose of household hazardous waste products from burned buildings.

Because ash and debris generated in the fire may be considered hazardous waste, do not transport ash or debris to landfills and transfer stations at this time. It is recommended that debris and ash from burned structures remain undisturbed until further instructions are issued. This recommendation is in place to protect the health of anyone who may come into contact with the waste, including solid waste facility employees, solid waste haulers, and the public.

For more information or for locations, please contact the Emergency Operation Center at (707) 467-6428.

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NEWS RELEASE

CONTACT: Sue M. Ranochak (707) 234-6800

TO: MENDOCINO COUNTY NEWS MEDIA

FR: MENDOCINO COUNTY ASSESSOR – CLERK – RECORDER

Ukiah, California: October 13, 2017

Property Tax Adjustment Due to October 2017 Redwood Complex Fires

California's property tax laws provide a mechanism for the Assessor to adjust assessed values to recognize destruction caused by a calamity or misfortune which damages real or personal property. To qualify for a calamity adjustment, the property must have suffered more than \$10,000 worth of damage and the owner must file a claim with the Assessor within twelve (12) months of the date of calamity. Claim forms can be found on the Assessor Clerk-Recorder website located at: www.mendocinocounty.org/propertydamageform. You may also obtain a form by contacting our office at (707)234-6800 or in person at 501 Low Gap Rd., Room 1020 in Ukiah.

Owners of properties who suffered qualifying damage in the October 2017 Redwood Complex fires can also apply to delay payment of the December 10, 2017 first installment of their 2017-18 property tax bill. A request for deferral is included with the calamity reassessment claim form, which must be filed no later than December 10, 2017. Taxes would be deferred until thirty (30) days following receipt of the corrected bill that reflects the temporary reduction in value caused by the fires.

Should you have any questions please contact Mendocino County Assessor Susan M. Ranochak at (707) 234-6826 or by email ranochas@mendocinocounty.org.



MENDOCINO COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICE

HEALTH SAFETY ADVISORY

Ukiah, California: October 14, 2017

Redwood Fire Ash and Burn Debris Clean-up and Removal

If your home was burned:

- 1. Do Not Touch the Debris**
 - 2. Wear Protective Equipment and Clothing**
 - 3. Do Not Turn Your PG&E Service Back On**
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1. Do not touch the debris.

Ash is a hazardous waste and can cause you injury.

- ✓ It is very understandable that a property owner wants to sort through the ash to see what they can find. **DO NOT DO THIS.**
- ✓ The burned materials can become concentrated in ash and soil following a fire. It is important not to expose yourself, your family or your pets to any of these materials. Exposures can occur by sifting through and/or moving ash and debris, causing ash to become airborne and inhaled or ingested which may be harmful to your health.
- ✓ **To be eligible for state funded debris cleanup by CalRecycle you cannot move or spread the debris. If you expand or move the footprint of the fire debris, CalRecycle may consider you ineligible for this program.**

Do not transport ash or debris to landfills and transfer stations at this time.

- ✓ CalRecycle will help property owners remove debris in the coming weeks.

2. Wear Closed-Toed Shoes, Long Pants, Eye Protection, A Mask and Gloves

- ✓ A mask and gloves will be provided at the designated entrance points.
- ✓ Follow the instructions provided for how to wear the mask so that it protects you.

3. Do Not Turn Your PG&E service back on.

- ✓ Either PG&E has been there and your gas is back on, OR you must wait for them to do this. Please call them at 800-743-5000.

For More Information, Use the Emergency Operations Center Call Center 707-467-6428



MENDOCINO COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Media Advisory

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Ukiah, California: October 15, 2017

State and Local Agencies to Hold Press Conference on Mendocino Lake Complex Fire to Discuss Response and Recovery Operations

State and local officials will hold a press conference on Monday, October 16, 2017, at the County Administrative Center with the latest information regarding what state agencies are doing to support and assist local officials with the October 2017 California Statewide Wildfires and the Mendocino Lake Complex.

When: Monday, October 16, 2017 at approximately 3:30 p.m.

Where: County Administrative Center – 501 Low Gap Road, Ukiah, CA 95482

Who:

Mike McGuire, California State Senator
Jim Wood, California State Assemblyman
Mark Ghilarducci, Director, CA Governor's Office of Emergency Services
Chief Ken Pimlott, Director, Cal FIRE
Warren Stanley, Acting Commissioner, California Highway Patrol
David Baldwin, Adjutant General, California National Guard
Bob Fenton, Regional Administrator, FEMA Region IX
Mendocino County Sheriff Tom Allman
Mendocino County District Attorney David Eyster
Mendocino County Board of Supervisors

Live Online: This media briefing will be streamed live on the Mendocino County Facebook page and YouTube Channel.

For more information please contact the Executive Office at (707) 463-4441.