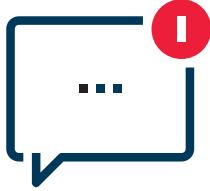




# TOWN OF MOUNTAIN VILLAGE EMERGENCY AND EVACUATION GUIDE



## GET NOTIFIED



Once authorities have determined that an official evacuation is or may be required, the public will be notified by the following means:

- **TELEPHONE/TEXT MESSAGE:** Recorded messages to your phone, text and emails through San Miguel County's Alert and Warning System. [bit.ly/SMCprepared](https://bit.ly/SMCprepared).
- **ReadyOp:** Register for Mountain Village text and email alerts by visiting [bit.ly/MVNotifications](https://bit.ly/MVNotifications).
- **RADIO:** KOTO Telluride 91.7 FM | Norwood 89.5 FM | Down Valley 105.3 FM.
- **MOUNTAIN VILLAGE SOCIAL MEDIA:** (@townofmountainvillage), (@MountainVillage).
- **EMAIL AND WEBSITE:** [www.townofmountainvillage.com](https://www.townofmountainvillage.com).

## GATHER AN EMERGENCY SUPPLY KIT



- Visit [ready.gov/kit](https://ready.gov/kit) and build a kit with essential supplies, medications, change of clothes, documentation, chargers, etc. and keep in mind each person in your household's specific needs.
- Have copies of all important documents (e.g. insurance, passport, birth certificates) available for evacuation.
- Have a portable emergency kit in the car using helpful hints by [ready.gov/car](https://ready.gov/car).
- Pack food and medications for pets and plan to move them with you or to a safe location.
- Consider what you want to save if you must evacuate (files, electronic devices, art, photos, etc).
- Keep a full tank of gas if evacuation seems likely.
- Consider having all photos, documents, lists of medications, etc. on your computer backed up and/or stored in the cloud.
- Make a plan and checklist TODAY with resources from Ready.gov ([ready.gov/plan](https://ready.gov/plan))!

## EVACUATION ROUTES



Know your family/household communication, reunification and evacuation plan. Find several ways to leave the area.

- 📍 Mountain Village Boulevard to Hwy 145.
- 📍 Adams Ranch Road Emergency Access to Hwy 145.
- 📍 Boomerang Trail – pedestrian access to Valley Floor.
- 📍 Gondola to Telluride (If available).

Remember you may only have one or two ways out and in – if evacuations are in progress do not block roads as emergency vehicles and fire equipment will be coming into the area. Learn more by visiting, [townofmountainvillage.com/prepared](https://townofmountainvillage.com/prepared).

**YOU SHOULD EVACUATE IMMEDIATELY IF YOU THINK YOU MAY BE IN DANGER.**

## DRIVE WITH CAUTION

- Headlights on!
- In smoke, proceed slowly and stop if you can't see.
- Watch out for emergency vehicles, yield right of way!
- Roll up windows, keep doors unlocked and turn to your local radio station or designated Emergency Alert System radio frequency.

## GO TO EVACUATION OR RECEPTION CENTER

Even if you do not require shelter, stop at the designated evacuation center on route to your final destination and provide contact information so you can be reached regarding the status of your property and when you may return home.

## RETURNING TO YOUR HOME

- ➔ Emergency fire and law enforcement personnel will decide when it is safe to return.
- ➔ Information will be available at the evacuation center(s), at roadblocks and through media outreach.



## IF YOU BECOME TRAPPED



### AT HOME:

- Stay inside until the wildfire passes.
- Close all windows, remove light/sheer curtains, close heavy curtains.
- Keep all doors closed but unlocked.
- Keep the family together and remain calm.
- Remember, if it gets hot inside your house, it will be much hotter outside.



### IN YOUR VEHICLE:

- Park away from vegetation.
- Roll up windows.
- Cover mouth with a dry cloth to protect the airway.
- Cover yourself with a blanket or jacket.
- Stay in the vehicle until the wildfire passes.
- If the vehicle catches on fire, exit only after the wildfire passes.



### ON FOOT:

- Find an area away from vegetation.
- Lie face down.
- Cover mouth with dry cloth to protect airway.

**KEEP CALM, THINK CLEARLY, ACT DECISIVELY**

For more info, current conditions and fire restrictions visit [westslopefireinfo.com](https://westslopefireinfo.com)



## IF THERE IS TIME

While your safety and your family's safety are most important, there are things you can do before evacuating that can help firefighters. If there is time before you need to evacuate, do the following:

- Turn on lights outside and in every room to make the house more visible in heavy smoke.
- Close all windows, vents and doors to help reduce drafts in the home.
- Bring flammable items, such as patio furniture, inside.
- Move propane tanks away from structures.
- Connect garden hoses to outside water valves for potential use by firefighters.
- Fill water buckets and place them around your house.
- Disconnect automatic garage door openers so doors can be opened by hand if you lose power.

## AFTER THE WILDFIRE PASSES

- ➔ Check the roof and exterior of your home, extinguish all sparks and embers.
- ➔ Check your attic and crawlspaces for hidden embers.
- ➔ Check your property for burning wood piles, trees, fence posts, shrubs, etc.



## ONLINE RESOURCES:

- ➔ Visit [telluridefire.com](https://telluridefire.com) to download their Wildland Fire Action Guide.
- ➔ West Region Wildfire Council ([cowildfire.org](https://cowildfire.org))
- ➔ Regional fire outlook ([westslopefireinfo.com](https://westslopefireinfo.com))
- ➔ Current wildfire incidents ([incweb.nwccg.gov](https://incweb.nwccg.gov))
- ➔ NOAA Weather - Current weather and fire conditions via NOAA ([weather.gov](https://weather.gov))
- ➔ Visit [firewise.org](https://firewise.org) to learn more on how you can protect your home from wildfire?