EVACUATION PLAN FOR RESIDENTS - DRAFT

EVACUATION IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY!

PURPOSE & OBJECTIVE

A wildland fire presents a unique danger to Kensington. The presence of a fire that sweeps through Wildcat Canyon or Tilden and over the ridge creates a serious threat to both life and property. **This plan provides Kensington residents with the steps that need to be taken if an evacuation becomes necessary.**

Residents are expected to create and practice individual evacuation plans and coordinate with neighbors to promote preparedness and safety for all. This expectation is critical since Kensington police and fire department resources will be fully engaged during a major wildfire event. This means that residents must be prepared to leave on short notice and are responsible for knowing their own evacuation zone, neighborhood streets and all traffic and walking routes that lead from their residence down to main roads providing exit routes from Kensington.

NOTIFICATION AND RESIDENT RESPONSIBILITY

In order to receive critical and timely information about an evacuation event, it is essential that Kensington residents be enrolled in the Community Warning System (CWS) (register at cwsalerts.com) and Nixle (text your zip code to 888777). These links provide a quick and easy path to enrollment.

Additionally, residents are responsible for knowing which evacuation zone they live in and having a Go Bag preprepared and easily accessible in case of an evacuation.

Residents who are mobility-limited or may need assistance in the case of an evacuation should seriously consider leaving early if the threat of local wildfire is possible or they feel uncomfortable with the overall situation and/or weather conditions.

KENSINGTON EVACUATION ZONES AND MAPS

Kensington residents will be evacuated by zones or as directed by the county Community Warning System. Residents are responsible for knowing the zone number they live in and all possible routes from their home leading to main roads that provide routes out of Kensington.

More complete information on wildfire preparation and evacuation planning is available on the KFPD and KPPCSD websites: https://tinyurl.com/3nccbdap

INSERT FULL MAP OF KENSINGTON WITH ALL STREETS AND ZONES DELINEATED.

ZONE 9

A. Special Concerns

This zone includes streets in a very high wildfire hazard area because of their immediate proximity to Tilden Park and Wildcat Canyon.

B. Evacuation Routes

Residents are responsible for knowing how to find their way to Arlington Avenue and to Moser Lane and away from the area of impact. Once on the Arlington, also consider Sunset Drive through Sunset View Cemetery to Colusa. At least 2 exit routes should be part of the evacuation plan for every household.

NOTE: Any special evacuation instructions from the Kensington Police department or other official agencies (e.g. CWS) will supersede these and all other instructions.

INSERT MAP OF ZONE 9

(Include all street names with highlight of major evacuation streets)

ZONE 8

A. Special Concerns

This zone includes streets in a very high wildfire hazard area because of their immediate proximity to Tilden Park.

B. Evacuation Routes

Residents are responsible for knowing how to find their way to Arlington Avenue or Spruce St. Once on the Arlington consider Sunset Drive through Sunset View Cemetery to Colusa Ave. Additionally, for those living on the northeastern consider using the Hilltop School drive at the top of Highland where the traffic bollards have been removed for the purpose of evacuation. At least 2 exit routes should be part of the evacuation plan for every household.

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INSERT MAP OF ZONE 8

(Include all street names with highlight of major evacuation streets)

ZONE 7

A. Special Concerns

This zone includes streets in a very high wildfire hazard area because of their immediate proximity to Tilden Park.

B. Evacuation Routes

Residents are responsible for knowing how to find their way to Arlington Avenue or for those in the SE corner, consider Spruce St. Once on the Arlington consider Sunset Drive through Sunset View Cemetery to Colusa Ave. At least 2 exit routes should be part of the evacuation plan for every household.

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INSERT MAP OF ZONE 7

(Include all street names with highlight of major evacuation streets)

ZONE 6

A. Special Concerns

This zone includes streets in a very high wildfire hazard area because of their immediate proximity to Tilden Park and Wildcat Canyon.

B. Evacuation Routes

Residents are responsible for knowing how to find their way to Franciscan Way that lead to either Eureka Avenue, Moser Lane or Sunset Drive through Sunset View Cemetery to Colusa Ave. At least 2 exit routes should be part of the evacuation plan for every household.

NOTE: Any special evacuation instructions from the Kensington Police department or other official agencies (e.g. CWS) will supersede these and all other instructions.

INSERT MAP OF ZONE 6

(Include all street names with highlight of major evacuation streets)

ZONE 5

A. Special Concerns

This zone includes streets in a very high wildfire hazard area because of their immediate proximity to Tilden Park. Due to creeks on both the north and south sides ways out are limited.

B. Evacuation Routes

Residents are responsible for knowing how to find their way to Colusa Avenue. At least 2 exit routes should be part of the evacuation plan for every household.

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INSERT MAP OF ZONE 5

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ZONE 4

A. Special Concerns

This zone includes streets in a very high wildfire hazard area because of their proximity to Wildcat Canyon.

B. Evacuation Routes

Residents are responsible for knowing how to find their way to Eureka Avenue leading to Colusa Avenue. At least 2 exit routes should be part of the evacuation plan for every household.

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INSERT MAP OF ZONE 4

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