



YOUR EVACUATION PLAN

**This Evacuation Planning booklet was prepared by the
Scripps Ranch Civic Association and the
Scripps Ranch Fire Safe Council.**

*These guidelines were prepared in consultation with the
City Homeland Security and the San Diego Police
and Fire-Rescue departments.
Their expertise and counsel has been invaluable.*

Wildfires happen suddenly. These checklists can help you be prepared in case an approaching fire requires evacuation. As a fire approaches, neighborhoods will be notified by telephone, television, radio, and neighborhood sweeps by police. However, if you know a wildfire is approaching, don't wait to be notified. **GO!**

***If you wait too long, you may experience
severe traffic congestion and panic.***

Advanced Preparation

Complete this checklist before the threat!

- ☐ 1. Update your homeowners insurance.
- ☐ 2. Create a home inventory.
- ☐ 3. Prepare a defensible space for firefighters.
- ☐ 4. Trim flammable vegetation away from wood structures.
- ☐ 5. Remove flammable litter from your roof and gutters.
- ☐ 6. Test your smoke alarms and change batteries.
- ☐ 7. Check expiration dates on your fire extinguishers.
- ☐ 8. Protect your vents and eaves from embers.
- ☐ 9. Shake and pre-position your Fire Prevention Gel.
- ☐ 10. Register cell phones for emergency alerts at www.readysandiego.org.
- ☐ 11. Prepare a list of daily essentials.
- ☐ 12. Pack Grab-and-Go Bags for each family member.
- ☐ 13. Make copies – paper or electronic – of important documents.
- ☐ 14. Learn your children's school Disaster Plan.
- ☐ 15. Prepare travel cases and a plan for your pets.
- ☐ 16. Study the evacuation routes for your neighborhood.
- ☐ 17. Know your evacuation destination.
- ☐ 18. Establish a family meeting place outside of Scripps Ranch.
- ☐ 19. Plan for evacuation assistance, if necessary.
- ☐ 20. Become familiar with "2-1-1 San Diego" services.

Get Ready to Go

***If you hear there is a wildfire approaching San Diego,
it is time to get ready. It is time to **PREPARE TO GO!*****

- Load your car.

Grab-and-Go Bags

Daily essentials: money, medicine, glasses,
three-day supply of clothes

Pet crate, pet food

Valuables, pictures, computers, chargers

- Dress for evacuation, including sturdy shoes.
- Close and lock all windows and doors.
- Turn on outside lights.
- Pull out and attach garden hoses.
- Move lawn furniture away from house.
- Review your Out-The-Door Checklist.
- Decide on your destination. Notify family members.
- Tune to 600 or 760 AM or any local TV station.
- Be alert for an emergency notification call.
- Apply your Fire Prevention Gel, time permitting.

IF YOU SEE OR SMELL SMOKE – **GO!** **DON'T WAIT!**

If You Are Unable to Evacuate

- You are safer inside your home when the flames pass.
- Move furniture away from windows and sliding glass doors.
- Remove curtains and drapes to avoid ignition by radiant heat.
- Keep doors and windows closed but unlocked.
- Fill sinks and tubs with water.
- Use wet towels to breathe through and to seal doors from smoke.
- Keep your fire extinguishers close by.

After the Fire has Passed

- Check outside and in the attic for embers.
- Continue to be alert for spot fires around the house for a full day.
- Notify security patrols that you are safe.

There will likely be post-fire security patrols to prevent residents from entering or re-entering the area.

Our Community Can Help First Responders

The police will go home to home to notify residents when an evacuation is ordered – time permitting. If they don't know your status, they will knock on your door to ensure you have been notified – time permitting.

If you have not departed, open your garage door to let them know you are aware and are preparing to leave.

When you leave, place enclosed **YELLOW CARD** in plain sight, in a window or attached to a door. Write names and phone numbers on the card.

If you are unable to leave and need help, place enclosed **RED CARD** in plain sight. Write names and phone numbers on the card.

Unlock side gates to give firefighters access to your backyard.

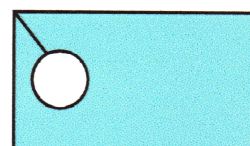
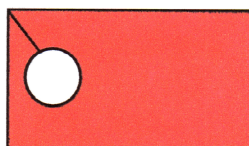
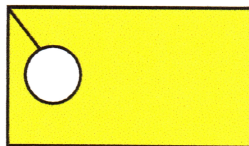
Leave your hoses out and hooked up.

Fire engines may need emergency water sources. If you have a pool, leave enclosed **BLUE CARD** in plain sight. Fire engines can pump water from your pool, which may save your home.

Traffic control along evacuation routes is difficult and dangerous.

- Take special care.
- Follow directions.
- Stay in line.
- Keep up with the car ahead.
- Do not stop to ask questions.

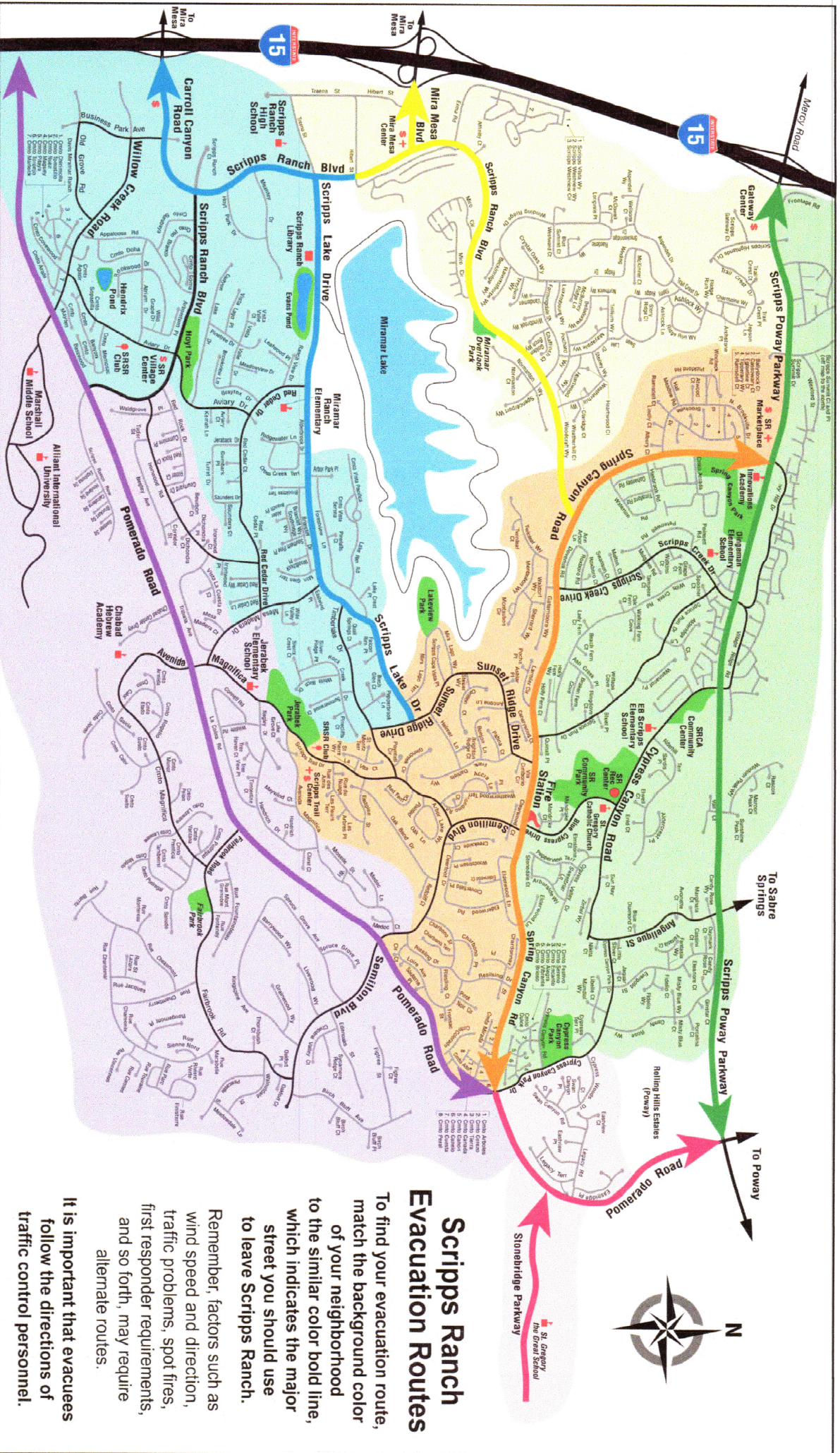
Do not try to re-enter the area. Roads will no doubt be closed to all but first responders.



Enclosed with this pamphlet are yellow, red, and blue cards. They are intended to help first responders keep our community safe and secure.

Out-the-Door Checklist

- ☐ 1. Check the windows and doors – closed and locked.
- ☐ 2. Purse, wallet, keys, cell phone.
- ☐ 3. Grab-and-Go Bags; daily essentials.
- ☐ 4. Post the Evacuation Cards as appropriate.
- ☐ 5. Be sure the garage door is closed as you depart.
- ☐ 6. **GO!**



Scripps Ranch Evacuation Routes

To find your evacuation route, match the background color of your neighborhood to the similar color bold line, which indicates the major street you should use to leave Scripps Ranch.

Remember, factors such as wind speed and direction, traffic problems, spot fires, first responder requirements, and so forth, may require alternate routes.

It is important that evacuees follow the directions of traffic control personnel.