

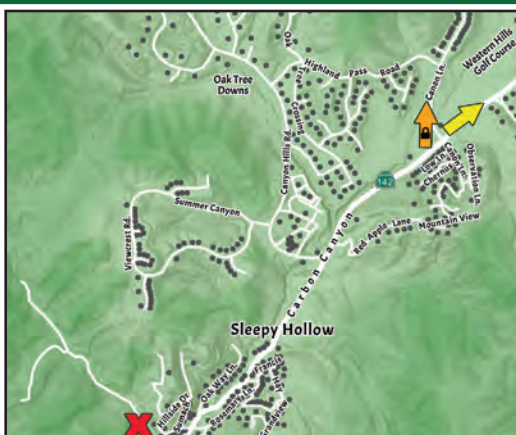


FALL 2021 NEWSLETTER

The Carbon Canyon Fire Safe Council's mission is: to preserve our canyon's natural and man-made resources on public and private property by development and enforcement of ecologically sound and appropriate fire safety measures.



Olinda Village Map



Chino Hills (West) Map



Chino Hills (East) Map

## Evacuation Guides Delivered to the Community

These easy to carry and use guides have now been distributed throughout the canyon. They each include tips on preparing to evacuate and what to bring when evacuating. Three different maps were developed for the canyon, including one for the Olinda Village area, one each for the west and east parts of the canyon in Chino Hills. Many thanks to Eric Johnson for guiding

this project through and to Melanie Schlotterbeck for her mapping and layout skills.

Feel free to keep them in your cars, on your refrigerator, in your garage, etc.

If you have not received this guide or want to print additional copies, you can download copies of the guides at: [carboncanyonfsc.org/evacuation-guides.html](http://carboncanyonfsc.org/evacuation-guides.html).

## Hazardous Palm Trees to be Removed

The City of Chino Hills has budgeted \$45,387 this current fiscal year to contract with Santa Ana Watershed Association (SAWA) to have them drill holes and inject a systemic herbicide into palm trees along Carbon Canyon Road in the stream just west of Chino Hills Parkway. This will cause the trees to wilt and die. All environmental documents have been cleared. West Coast Arborists will remove them after bird nesting season ends September 15th. The arborists are currently in contact with SAWA to schedule this project.

In addition, the California Conservation Corps and SAWA are scheduled to remove a large eucalyptus tree on September 20th. It fell next to the stream in the Sleepy Hollow area.

## Halloween & the Headless Horseman!

Once again we will (hopefully) gather at Western Hills Golf Course (1800 Carbon Canyon Road, Chino Hills) to celebrate Halloween with our neighbors and the Headless Horseman of Sleepy Hollow. The event will be held on Sunday, October 24 from 4-7 PM. Bring your decorated car in by 4:30. There will be food, prizes, and games!

Check Facebook or our website for last minute details.



Sunday,  
October 24<sup>th</sup>  
4 - 7 PM

# EVACUATION CHECKLIST

There will be fierce winds, high heat, and a severe fire threat this fall. Now is the time to get ready for that inevitability. Below is a useful list of suggested actions from experienced evacuees.

## PRE-PLANNING

- Sign up for emergency notifications:
  - Orange County residents: [www.AlertOC.com](http://www.AlertOC.com)
  - San Bernardino County residents: [www.SBCounty.gov/SBCFire/TENS/TENSContact.aspx](http://www.SBCounty.gov/SBCFire/TENS/TENSContact.aspx)
- Clear plant debris off your roof and remove branches overhanging your roof and/or eaves.
- Remove any piles of wood, boxes or high-growing vegetation next to your house and under your windows.
- Have necessary equipment or carriers to evacuate your pets.
- Make a visual or written record of your household possessions.
- Go room to room NOW, making a list of what to take—we don't think clearly in a crisis and time crunch:
  - Important papers including insurance documents, deeds, and estate plans
  - Family heirlooms
  - Cell phone, the charger, and/or address book
  - Jewelry
  - Photos and videos
  - Computer hard drive (components such as monitors are easily replaced)
  - Pet(s) - medications/leashes/carriers
  - Comfort items for children (blanket, pillow, stuffed animal, etc.)
  - Personal items to get you through the first few days (medication, eyeglasses)

## PREPARING TO EVACUATE

- Secure house pets in a bathroom as the smoke and noises may cause them to hide.
- Park your cars in the garage facing out.
- Place valuables in the car for quick departure if necessary.
- Shut off air conditioner and/or heater and close all windows and doors. This prevents embers from being sucked inside.
- Shut off natural gas valves.
- Move propane tanks and combustible yard furniture away from the house or put in a swimming pool.
- Turn on a light in each room, on the porch, and in the yard. This makes the house more visible in heavy smoke or darkness.
- Close all doors inside the house. This slows the spread of fire from room to room if your house does catch fire.
- If you have firefighting foam, apply it or put it out for the firefighters to apply. Attach garden hoses to spigots and place them so they can reach any area of your house.
- Move furniture away from windows and open all curtains and drapes.
- Place a ladder against the house on the side opposite the approaching fire.
- If you have an emergency generator or a portable gasoline-powered pump that will supply water from a swimming pool, clearly mark its location, and make sure it is ready to operate.
- If you have a pool consider placing items that can withstand the water (like putting your silver and crystal in baskets and lowering it into the pool). This saves space in your car for other important valuables.

## EVACUATING

- Close your garage door, but leave it unlocked. Disconnect the automatic garage door opener in case of power failure.
- Close all doors and outside gates, but leave them unlocked.
- Don't leave sprinklers or water running. This could affect water pressure of fire hydrants.
- Follow your pre-planned evacuation route and follow instructions of officials.



# Fuel Reduction Program

Brush drop off and green waste dumpster  
available to Carbon Canyon residents

**Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
**8 AM - 1 PM**

Next to Fire Station 64 at  
16231 Canon Ln. in Chino Hills



Contents must be bundled and please  
be prepared to unload your own brush

*Volunteers will be available on-site for those with special needs*

**FREE TO RESIDENTS ONLY**

*Please bring ID, Utility Bill or Canyon Resident Pass*

**BE PREPARED! AVOID FINES!**



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## Many Thanks

State Senator Josh Newman and Assemblymember Phillip Chen each donated \$500 to the Fire Safe Council to support our efforts for a safer canyon community.

Assemblymember Phillip Chen selected the Carbon Canyon Fire Safe Council as the Non-Profit Organization of The Year for Assembly District 55.



## Drought Stresses Oak Trees

Residents noticed that several oak trees in the canyon have brown patches. Concerned about an insect infestation that could possibly spread, the tree specialist with CalFire came to look. He did not find any pests. It appears the brown patches are the result of sustained drought not disease. He recommended watering those trees in your yard. For more information on how to properly water native oaks see: <https://ucanr.edu/blogs/blogcore/postdetail.cfm?postnum=17495>.

## Meetings Continue Online

Fire Safe Council meetings continue in the convenience of your own home during COVID-19 on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM. Email [A0tt@ChoFire.org](mailto:A0tt@ChoFire.org) to be added to the notification list.

## Like Us on Facebook

The Council's effectiveness depends on community support. You can help us build that by liking our Facebook page. And, once you've liked it, invite your friends to like it too!



<https://wwwFacebook.com/UniteCanyon/>

## Quick Reference Guide

All Wildlife Rescue Line	562-434-0141
Brea's Carbon Canyon Road Hotline	714-990-7732
Brea-Fullerton Fire Department	714-990-7655
California Poison Control System	800-222-1222
Carbon Canyon Fire Safe Council	909-315-8832
Chino Hills' Road Condition Hotline	909-364-2828
Chino Valley Independent Fire District	909-902-5280
City of Chino Hills	909-364-2600
City of Brea	714-990-7600
National Pesticide Info Center	800-858-7378