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As we are all aware, a Red Flag Warning began yesterday and continues until further notice. As with all RFWs, the threat of wildfires increases exponentially. Yesterday news stations began their coverage, and cell phone notifications began beeping, notifying us of the spreading fire named the Saddleridge Fire.

As we all wait to hear if the fire is on it's way to our amazing community, there are preparations already underway.

Here is what the BCA Office, Maintenance, and Entry Station Staff, and CERT Team Members are currently doing to help prepare Bell Canyon fight the fire if it reaches us:

- All firefighting equipment has been pulled out of storage and is staged and ready for use if needed.
- Both the water truck and water trailer are ready for use and easily available.
- The Bell Canyon Equestrian Center is ready to use their evacuation plan if needed.
- The Office Staff is ready to work remotely, and will send out E-Blasts and update the website as often as possible, as new information is provided.

Here are a few ways you can prepare and stay informed:

- Sign up to receive E-Blasts. This will be the way that the BCA Office Staff will communicate if Bell Canyon becomes endangered and evacuations begin. Email jenni@bellcanyon.com to sign up.
- Utilize the website prepareforpowerdown.com (link below) to keep you informed of any power outages that may impact the Canyon.
- To monitor any evacuations, the Ventura County Emergency Operations Center (link below) has an interactive map that is constantly being updated.
- The Ventura County Emergency website (link below) provides a wealth of information. You also have the ability to register to receive emergency alerts in Ventura County on their website.
- The American Red Cross also has information on their website (link below) about various ways to prepare you, your family, and your home for emergencies.
- Download the app called PulsePoint. The app will allow you to view and receive real-time alerts for emergency activity, which includes fire status, that is being responded to by emergency medical services, fire departments and police.

We hope that you find this information helpful.

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