

# Wildfire Resources

## Wildfire Meeting Points & Shelters

### Big Hollow Fire

#### **Lewisville Intermediate Campus**

406 N.W. Fifth Ave., Battle Ground 98604

CRESA designated meeting point for anyone who needs to evacuate.

### Other Area Fires

#### **Ilani Casino**

1 Cowlitz Way, Ridgefield, WA 98642

Offering parking locations for those displaced by fire who are seeking temporary accommodation.

#### **Living Hope Church**

2711 NE Andresen Rd., Vancouver, WA 98661

Providing indoor shelter for those displaced by fire.

## What Do The Evacuation Levels Mean?

**Level 1 = Be Ready.** Residents should be aware of the potential danger and should get ready for the event of a mandatory evacuation. Residents with special needs, or those with pets or livestock, should relocate.

**Level 2 = Be Set.** Be ready for evacuation at a moment's notice due to significant risk in the area. It is recommended that residents voluntarily relocate themselves or shelter with family or friends outside of the affected area. Those choosing to stay must be ready to evacuate at a moment's notice.

**Level 3 = Go Now.** Leave immediately due to current or imminent danger. Do not delay leaving to pack belongings or make attempts to protect your home.

## Animal Sheltering

It is recommended to call first to ensure there is space available.

#### **Clark County Event Center at the Fairgrounds**

17402 NE Delfel Rd, Ridgefield, WA 98642

(564) 397-6180

#### **Cowlitz County Fairgrounds**

1900 7th Ave, Longview, WA 98632

(360) 577-3121

**Clark County Animal Control** - Can help with placement due to evacuation.

8:30am to 4:30pm: (564) 397-2488

After hours: (564) 397-5544

## Wildfire Smoke & COVID-19

Information from [https://www.cdc.gov/disasters/covid-19/wildfire\\_smoke\\_covid-19.html](https://www.cdc.gov/disasters/covid-19/wildfire_smoke_covid-19.html)

“Overlapping Health Impacts of Wildfire Smoke and COVID-19 (from Washington State Department of Health) Breathing in wildfire smoke by itself can produce harmful health effects. These range from minor symptoms, such as eye, nose, and throat irritation or headaches, to more severe symptoms like shortness of breath, chest tightness, asthma attacks, and worsening existing chronic conditions. Some of these respiratory symptoms, including dry cough, sore throat, and difficulty breathing, are also common to COVID-19.

Early evidence indicates wildfire smoke exposures can make people more susceptible to respiratory infections, likely including COVID-19. Recent studies indicate that poor air quality can make symptoms and outcomes in people with COVID-19 more severe. Populations sensitive to wildfire smoke exposures include people with heart and lung diseases, people with respiratory infections, people with diabetes, stroke survivors, infants, children, pregnant women, and people over 65 years of age. Some of these groups are also those most at risk for COVID-19. Persons with, or recovering from, COVID-19 may be more at risk for negative health effects from wildfire smoke exposure because of compromised lung and heart function.”

## Improving Indoor Air Quality

<https://www.epa.gov/indoor-air-quality-iaq/wildfires-and-indoor-air-quality-iaq>

Close windows, use A/C if possible, consider air purifiers, don't use candles, avoid broiling or frying food, and don't use a vacuum without a HEPA filter. To keep indoor air clean and wildfire smoke from entering your home:

- Close windows and doors when it is smoky outside. Track the air quality and open your windows for fresh air when the air quality improves.
- Pay attention to heat and take steps to keep it cool indoors by closing curtains during daylight, using an air conditioner or fans. If it's still too hot, open windows to avoid heat exhaustion and other heat illnesses.
- Set air conditioners on recirculate to prevent intake of outside air.
- Turn off fans that vent to the outside, like the one in your bathroom. Exhaust fans pull outside air in through cracks around windows and doors.

## Service Changes

**Prescription Medication:** Washington Health Care Authority is authorizing Apple Health Fee-for-Service pharmacy providers to furnish medications and supplies to people who have had these products destroyed by fire or made inaccessible due to evacuation.

### Home Delivered Meals:

- Meals on Wheels People is partially closed. They will be calling home delivered meal recipients and doing deliveries to recipients who do not have food.

**Garbage & Recycling:** residential routes may be cancelled during hazardous air conditions.

## Burn Bans

Clark County has expanded the burn ban to include recreational fires, campfires, and fires in outdoor fireplaces or chimney-type devices are not allowed during this recreational burn ban.

**DISCLAIMER:** The Area Agency on Aging & Disabilities of Southwest Washington and the Aging and Disability Resource Center does not recommend, endorse or suggest that you should use any of these businesses or agencies nor have we screened them in any way; this is your responsibility. If you use a resource from this list, you are responsible for your relationship and their terms of service. We offer this information only as a potential resource to help meet your needs.