



Stages of Evacuation —- What to do if you have a disability, chronic health condition or you are slow moving

STAGE 1-ALERT and BE READY

Residents are advised of the potential need for evacuation.

- A Stage 1-Alert tells you the cause of danger (fire, flood). You may need to evacuate at any time.
- Information is provided to tell you where you should go for safety and shelter.
- Prepare to evacuate! Get important papers, medications, pet and personal supplies that will last for several days.
- This is the time for preparation!
 - How will you leave?
 - Can you drive yourself? Who will help you with transportation?
 - What are you going to take with you?
- IF you need additional time for 'travel, including getting into a vehicle, consider leaving now!

STAGE 2 - BE SET and BE PREPARED TO LEAVE AT MOMENTS NOTICE

This level indicates there is a significant danger to your area

- A Stage 2-Alert tells you that you should voluntarily relocate to a shelter or with family or friends outside of the affected area.
- If you choose to remain in your home, you need to be ready and able to evacuate in fewer than 3 minutes.
- You may NOT have time to gather personal belongings, pets or emergency supplies. Taking time to do so is at your own risk.
- THIS MAY BE THE ONLY NOTICE THAT YOU RECEIVE.

STAGE 3 - GO NOW — LEAVE IMMEDIATELY!

Your area is in danger NOW! Evacuate immediately NOW!

- If you choose to ignore this evacuation warning, understand that emergency services will not likely be able to help you.
- DO NOT gather any belongings or try to protect your home—LEAVE.
- Entry to evacuated areas may be defined until conditions are safe No one can come for you. You cannot get back in to help anyone who stayed behind.
- THIS WILL BE THE LAST NOTICE THAT YOU RECÉIVE.



To sign up for alerts, go to your local county sheriff's or emergency management website and click on ALERTS!

