

# Get Ready for a Darkhorse Evacuation

## EVACUATION NOTIFICATION

- In case of an emergency, residents will be notified via:
  - **Code Red** telephone notification system using Zonehaven. KNOW YOUR ZONE! **Darkhorse is NCO-EO38**. Write this down so you won't forget. Find the zones for your workplace, kid's schools, or family locations.
    - Go to [www.community.zonehaven.com](http://www.community.zonehaven.com) and enter the address to find the zone
    - **Sign up for Code Red:** [www.readynevadacounty.org](http://www.readynevadacounty.org) and click on "Register for Emergency Alerts"
  - **Emergency Alert System** (EAS) on radio and TV
  - **Local Radio Stations** – KVMR 89.5FM KNCO 830AM
  - **Sheriff or Fire Dept driving around playing Hi-Lo siren** Listen at [www.mynevadacounty.com/3040/Hi-Lo-Siren](http://www.mynevadacounty.com/3040/Hi-Lo-Siren)
  - **Law Enforcement or volunteers going home-to-home (if resources allow)**
- **Note:** In case of an emergency situation, **Cell Phones and Internet may not be operational**
- Add the Watch Duty app to your phone for real time Wildfire Map and Alerts [www.watchduty.org](http://www.watchduty.org)
- Make sure your street address is clearly visible. The Fire Safety Committee recommends **green reflective signs**
- Have a personal plan for what valuables, important documents, medications, and other personal items you want to take in case of an evacuation. Keep your "Go-Bag" packed as you may not have time to pack upon notification
- Keep a battery-powered radio and spare batteries on hand
- Create a family plan specifying where you will meet when a disaster strikes

## EVACUATION PROCESS

Be prepared! Follow the steps in the "Ready, Set, and GO" handout. If you are asked to evacuate, GO! Your life and the lives of emergency responders may depend on it. Nothing is more important than your safety and the safety of others! Post an "Evacuated" tag on your front door and your green reflective address sign to notify fire officials to save them time

**READY – Evacuation Advisory.** There is a fire in your area that may trigger an evacuation order. Be prepared by reviewing your "Prepare for Wildfire" information

**SET – Voluntary Evacuation.** Prepare your family for the possibility of having to evacuate. Voluntary evacuation would be best at this time

**GO – Mandatory Evacuation.** Take the evacuation steps necessary to give your family and household the best chance of surviving a wildfire

## SHELTER-IN-PLACE

When emergency officials believe that it would be safe to stay, or more unsafe to travel, we may be instructed to shelter in place. Stay inside your house and away from outside walls if the fire approaches

- Keep all doors and windows closed, but leave doors unlocked
- Keep your entire family together and REMAIN CALM. Remember, if it gets hot in the house, it will be much hotter and more dangerous outside
- Pets are best confined in carriers so they do not slip collars and run
- After the danger has passed, immediately check the exterior and the roof, extinguish any sparks and embers. Be safe if you must climb on the roof.
- Check inside the attic, underneath decks, and in other hidden areas for burning embers
- Check your yard for burning woodpiles, trees, fence posts, or other materials. Material can smolder for a long time




## EMERGENCY CONTACT LIST

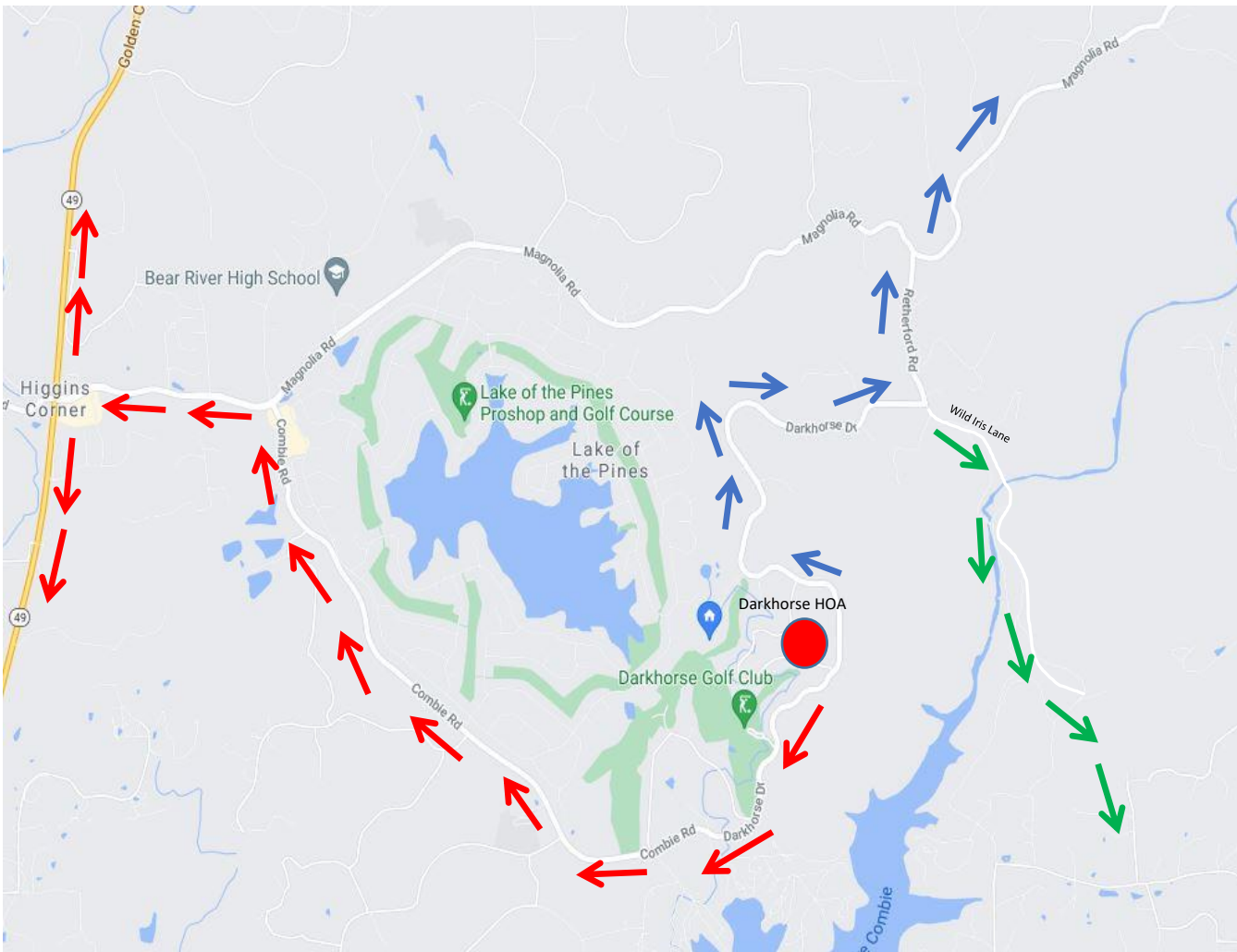
- Dial 911 for emergencies
- Sheriff's non-emergency dispatch number 530-265-7880
- Dial 211 for information during a disaster
- Neighbors helping neighbors
- Write down your family's Out-of-Area Contacts below:

## EVACUATION ROUTES

Your goal is to exit your neighborhood using the safest exit route. Follow directions from emergency officials. During an evacuation, your neighbors and emergency vehicles will be using the same roads. **Best to leave early.**

In case of an evacuation, Sheriff or Fire officials will give directions on which route to take. Here are three possible options:

1. South & West on Darkhorse Drive to Combie to Highway 49 
2. North & East on Darkhorse Drive to Retherford Rd to Magnolia Rd 
3. Alternate - North & East on Darkhorse Drive to Wild Iris Lane to Meadow Vista through the gravel mine. Sheriff or Fire Officials will direct if locked gates through the mine are open 



## WHERE TO LEARN MORE

- Nevada County Office of Emergency Services: [www.mynevadacounty.com](http://www.mynevadacounty.com)
- Ready Nevada County: [www.readynevadacounty.org](http://www.readynevadacounty.org)
- Nevada County Firesafe Council: [www.areyoufiresafe.com](http://www.areyoufiresafe.com)
- California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CalFire): [www.readyforwildfire.org](http://www.readyforwildfire.org)
- Higgins Fire District: **530-269-2488**
- Email Darkhorse Fire Safety Committee: [dhfiresafety@gmail.com](mailto:dhfiresafety@gmail.com)