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Evacuation Points

- ☐ Evacuate early, if practical.
- ☐ Identify more than one route out of the area.
- ☐ Take your Go Bag and Shelter Bag.
- ☐ Service animals are allowed in shelters, pets aren't.
- ☐ Inform your local and out-of-area contacts of your intention to evacuate.
- ☐ Follow the instructions from response officials regarding turning off utilities and unplugging appliances and other devices.
- ☐ Confirm that all doors and windows are locked. This includes basements and garages, too.
- ☐ Clean up before you leave; no one likes coming home to a dirty house!

Driving Points

- ☐ Follow the instructions of response officials.
- ☐ Tune your car radio to the local emergency alert station.
- ☐ Ensure that you have a phone charger in the car.
- ☐ Headlights and turn signals- use them!
- ☐ Have a full tank of gas and paper maps of the immediate area.
- ☐ Ensure that your Car Emergency Kit is already in the vehicle.
- ☐ Avoid driving through active disaster areas- floods, wildfires, landslides, etc.
- ☐ Maintain a safe distance from the car in front of you
- ☐ No speeding! The goal is to stay alive, not be the first or fastest out of the area.

Shelter Bags

- ☐ Identification, important documents and cash
- ☐ Prescription Medication and assistive devices
- ☐ Go Bag
- ☐ Change of clothes (seasonally appropriate)
- ☐ Sleeping Bag / Bed Linen / Pillow
- ☐ Comfort item for children
- ☐ Expensive watches, jewelry and other valuables should not be taken into shelters
- ☐ Leave your attitude and biases outside. Managing the event itself is stressful enough for everyone!

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Pet Evacuation Checklist

- ☐ Ensure that your pet is microchipped or wearing a collar with your name, phone number and address. It's also helpful to have the animal's name on the tag, too.
- ☐ Ensure that you have up-to-date veterinary records for your pet.
- ☐ Prepare a plan that specifically addresses your pet's needs and safety in emergencies before disaster strikes.
- ☐ Consult reputable breeders, vets and animal husbandry experts for guidance and suggestions before disaster strikes.
- ☐ Never leave an animal tied outside in an impending storm or other disaster.
- ☐ Never release an animal to fend for itself in a storm or other disaster.
- ☐ Ensure that your pet has been secured at an appropriate kennel or arrange for a trusted friend to check on your pet(s), if left alone at home.
- ☐ Be sure to pack adequate amounts of food, medication, and other essential care items as well as a favorite blanket or toy.
- ☐ Be sure to keep your pet leashed, crated or muzzled, if necessary.

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