Access & Egress

In the event of a wildfire in your area….will you be able to get out safely?
Will emergency crews be able to safely access you and/or your property?
EGRESS

- Gates & Garages
- Driveway Clearance
- Evacuations
- Two Ways Out
Gates & Garage Doors

- Know how to manually operate or equip with a back-up battery
Driveway Clearance

- Driveway clearance should be 12’ wide and 13’6” tall
- Grades, turns, vegetation type also a factor
Removing fuels along your driveway provide a more viable escape route
Evacuations

- Be prepared to go if evacuations occur
- Leave at any time you feel unsafe
- Be aware of fire crews and law enforcement in the area as you leave
Two Ways Out

- Know at least two routes from your home
- Consider unconventional routes if only one road out
The moment you feel unsafe...Leave!
ACCESS

- Clearance: Horizontal & Vertical
- Address Clearly Marked
- Bridges
- Gates
- Grades
- Water Sources
Type I Engine
9’ 7 ½” H
29’ L
10’ W
43,500 lbs

Type III Engine
9’ 9” H
26’ L
9’ W
35,000 lbs
Is your home accessible to fire engines?
Is Your Home Easily Found?

- Clearly mark your address on the house & street entrance
- Address numbers should be:
  - Large enough to read from a distance
  - Clear from obstructions
  - Highly reflective for dark conditions
BRIDGES

- Unrated bridges present a hazard to fire engines
- Post sign with rated weight
GATES

- If possible, ensure gates are open prior to evacuation so your property is accessible to firefighting equipment.
Grade & length determine driveway width & need for a turnaround
Water Availability

- If your property has a large water source or a dry pipe FDC, ensure they are easily located and marked.
Take steps now to provide you a viable egress in the event of a wildfire.
Adequate egress for You improves access for emergency crews to Defend your home!
Thanks for coming! Any questions?