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CZU Lightning Complex Update:

Additional Evacuees May Return Home

PESCADERO, Calif. – Residents in additional areas who were evacuated due to the CZU Lightning Complex fires may immediately return to their homes.

Evacuation orders for the following areas are now reduced to evacuation warnings:

- 38A – North of Whitehouse Canyon Road to the northern boundary of Zone 38
- 38B – From Ano Nuevo Creek to the southern boundary of Zone 38

Zones 19, 38C and 98B remain closed under an evacuation order.

You can look up a specific address to see if the property is currently accessible at www.smcgov.org/smc-wildfire-recovery

The San Mateo County Public Works Department cautions residents not to remove fire debris from their property at of this time. Details about debris removal will be issued shortly.

Road Closures:

- Eastbound Canyon Road at Cloverdale Road denying access to Butano Park area
- Gazos Creek Road at Cloverdale Road

Be aware there may be traffic flow interruptions due to fire crews and utility workers still operating in the area.

State and County parks in the area remain closed.

Fire Update

CalFire officials reported this morning the fire has consumed 86,509 acres and stood at 76 percent containment.

For additional information:

San Mateo County Fire Recovery: <https://www.smcgov.org/smc-wildfire-recovery>

View the most current evacuation map at: www.smco.community.zonehaven.com

For electrical safety tips after a wildfire, refer to PG&E at <https://tinyurl.com/y7dny9tt>

To learn more about wildfire preparedness visit: www.readyforwildfire.org

Critical Needs Assistance Deadline Extended to Sept. 12

The deadline to apply for \$500 in critical needs funding for individuals impacted by the CZU Lightning Complex fires has been extended to Sept. 12, 2020, and all residents should begin the disaster application process immediately.

The deadline to apply for cash assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency was previously set to expire Sept. 5. Residents with out-of-pocket expenses such as hotel stays may also be eligible for FEMA funding. Residents should immediately register by visiting DisasterAssistance.gov, calling 800-621-3362 or downloading the FEMA app on your smartphone. Be prepared to provide your social security number, insurance information, damage information, household financial information and contact information. U.S. citizenship is not required.

Local Assistance Center Remains Open in Pescadero

The County of San Mateo along with numerous partners opened a Local Assistance Center (LAC) at Pescadero Elementary School, 620 North St., Pescadero. [Map link](#).

The center will be open from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. every day of the week through close of business on Wednesday, Sept. 9.

LAC resources are also available at <https://www.smcgov.org/smc-wildfire-recovery>

The center includes representatives from:

- Federal Emergency Management Agency
- California Department of Motor Vehicles
- California Department of Public Health Vital Records
- California Department of Social Services
- San Mateo County Human Services Agency
- San Mateo County Veterans Services Office
- Puente de la Costa Sur
- San Mateo County Large Animal Evacuation Group

No appointments are necessary. *Note: All visitors must wear a face covering to comply with local health orders.*

Additional Information and Resources:

For additional information when returning home, refer to www.fire.ca.gov
Click on the link, “Post wildfire” for safety precautions.

Sign up for CalFire email updates at <https://tinyurl.com/czulightning>

Stay up-to date on air conditions at <https://www.airnow.gov/>

CALFire CZU San Mateo–Santa Cruz Unit Twitter Page: <https://twitter.com/CALFIRECZU>

Sign up for SMC Alerts at www.smcalert.info

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