

Handy Informative Flyers

✓ Returning Home Safely After Wildfire

Use caution to identify and avoid hazards as you reenter your home



Wear sturdy, closed toed shoes
Use gloves and long sleeves to avoid contact with ash
Be aware of the heat and stay hydrated

SEE PUBLIC HEALTH at the DAC for information about:
 - Testing your well water
 - Contractors who can repair damaged septic and wells
 - Guidelines for disposal of waste
 - Tetanus vaccine boosters

As you drive to your property, check for:

- **Trees, brush, rocks, weakened or loosened by fire**
 Trees and brush may have lose and falling limbs
 Loosened rocks may roll or slide down hills
- **Debris or damage from fire on roads and driveways**
- **Utility poles weakened by fire that may be unstable**

When you arrive at your property:

- **LOOK UP** for hot embers in gutters, on the roof, or under overhangs
- **LOOK DOWN** for hot embers under decks and in crawl spaces
- **LOOK AROUND** for hot in wood and debris piles
- **Is your well head or pump house damaged**

Check for damage to utilities:

- **If there is damage to your propane tank, DO NOT ATTEMPT to repair, contact your service provider**
- **If there is damage to your electrical box DO NOT TOUCH it - call your provider**
- **STAY CLEAR** of any electrical lines that are down.

Once the outside is secure, check inside:

- **Embers in the attic or crawl space that may have come through vents.**
- **Turn off or unplug appliances and check for damage before turning on your main power.**
- **Check phone, security, and other systems for damage**

CALL 911 if you see

- **Fire or other emergencies - DO NOT APPROACH**
- **Damaged or sparking electrical equipment**
- **Leaking or damaged propane tanks**