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# WE ARE TEMESCAL VALLEY

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## IT'S BEEN HOLY HELL WEEK



**JUST TOO CLOSE:** The lack of communication between official sources and not knowing the exact location of the Holy Fire and the direction in which it was burning, created much anxiety and a sleepless Monday night for Temescal Valley residents -- especially those in Horsethief Canyon Ranch. Supervisor KEVIN JEFFRIES stepped in to coordinate communications between all involved agencies and personally posted updates for Temescal Valley. This photo of flames above Horsethief is from video recorded by resident MATTHEW HOAG at 3 a.m., Tuesday, Aug. 7.

### Fire info, updates as of press time

**MANDATORY EVACUATIONS:** Glen Eden, Horsethief Canyon Ranch, Sycamore Creek

**EVACUATION CENTER:** Temescal Canyon High School, 18760 El Toro Road, Lake Elsinore

**SCHOOLS:** Luiseno School and Todd Academy are closed until further notice. Status of Temescal Valley Elementary will depend on fire conditions. It is assumed status of Temescal Canyon High, now serving as evacuation center, depends on evacuations being lifted.

**FOREST SERVICE UPDATES:**

<https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/6106/>

**FIRE UPDATES BY PHONE:**

714-573-6200 or 714-573-6202

**RIVCO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DEPT. UPDATES:**

<https://www.rivcoready.org/ActiveEvents>

**AIR QUALITY:**

<http://yourstory.aqmd.gov/home>

**ROAD CLOSURES:**

<http://rctlma.org/trans/Road-Maintenance/Road-Closures>

### Blaze reinforces need for Fire Safe Council; meeting Aug. 30

Plans to create a **Temescal Valley Fire Safe Council** were announced in the July newsletter. What residents have experienced this week with the **Holy Fire** underscores the need for the formation of a council as soon as possible.

An organizational meeting is scheduled at 6:30 p.m., **Thursday, Aug. 30** at the **Sycamore Creek Interpretive Center**, 11875 Indian Truck Trail. The Holy Fire and community needs will be discussed. Representation from all Temescal Valley neighborhoods is imperative.

The goal of the **California Fire Safe Council**, a nonprofit state agency, is to mobilize citizens and empower them to protect their homes, communities and environments from wildfire.

Local councils not only promote fire protection and prevention by encouraging fire-safety education, but also develop communitywide fire management plans. The council provides a forum for residents to discuss, analyze and solve fire-related issues before they become a crisis -- such as weed abatement and the illegal use of fireworks. Grant funding for fire-reduction projects also is available to local councils.

### Register your cell phone for alerts

<https://www.rivcoready.org/AlertRivCo>

# Edison launches strategy for wildfire safety, mitigation

By **KELLI NOSS**

**Team Leader**

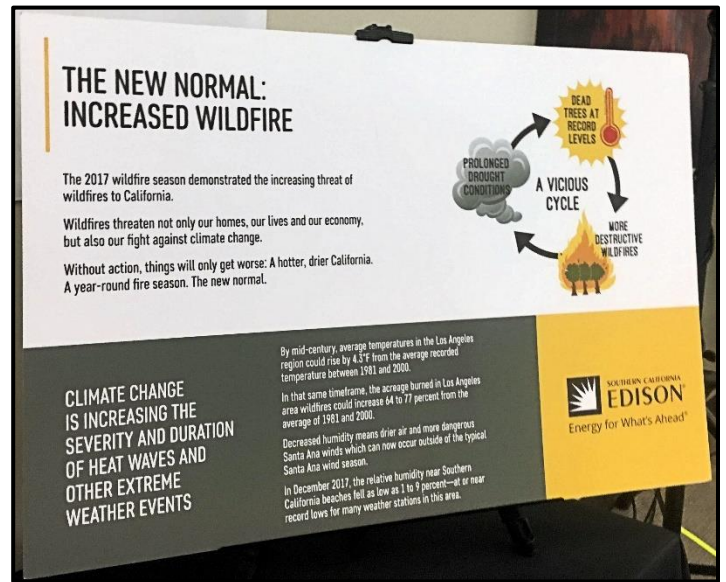
**Temescal Valley Disaster Response Team**

Wildfires are now a year-round threat in California. **Southern California Edison (SCE)**, hosted a **Wildfire Mitigation, Safety, and Grid Resiliency** meeting last month at its Wildomar office to discuss the company's strategy for what is considered the "new normal" fire season for our state.

Due to a combination of factors including drought, record levels of dead trees and other fire fuel, and increased prolonged hotter, drier weather conditions, fire season is no longer traditionally limited to the summer and early fall months. SCE presented its new, multi-faceted approach in navigating this new normal.

First, utilizing a new network of weather stations, a team of meteorologists and a 24/7 staff-monitored awareness center, SCE said it can stay ahead of potential red-flag situations throughout its territory.

This also includes 360° cameras on Santiago Peak with more planned within the next year to better pinpoint fire danger and



**THE NEW NORMAL: Placards such as this one and a PowerPoint presentation were used to introduce Southern California Edison's Wildfire Mitigation, Safety and Grid Resiliency plan.**

assist response agencies in putting out flames as quickly as possible.

Second, the electrical equipment on SCE's grid is being upgraded to new "hardened" fire-resistant products to better mitigate damage, as well as potentially prevent combustion damage that can lead to fire, with better insulation and internalized protection.

The third piece of the presentation focused on **Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS)**, which SCE considers a last resort to mitigate wildfire risk when conditions point to extreme fire danger or when a wildfire breaks out near power lines.

When a PSPS is called, SCE will shut down the power in the threatened area ahead of potential damage. Once the event passes and SCE can inspect its equipment for potential damage, power can be restored to impacted customers.

Additionally, SCE has stated it would like to present this information at a **Temescal Valley Municipal Advisory Council** meeting to explain how it specifically impacts our valley with the upcoming proposed grid projects.

For information on SCE's wildfire program:  
<https://www.sce.com/wps/portal/home/safety/wildfire>

## A BICENTENNIAL MOMENT . . .



Did you know Temescal Valley is older than Riverside County? At one time, Temescal Valley was in San Bernardino County. Riverside County was established in 1893 and was carved from land in San Diego and San Bernardino counties. San Diego County was founded in 1850 and San Bernardino County in 1853. Leandro Serrano established his Rancho Temescal in 1818. Learn more historic facts on our bicentennial page: [www.WeAreTV.org/bicentennial](http://www.WeAreTV.org/bicentennial) and join us at 9 a.m., **Saturday, Aug. 18** for our next committee meeting in the Temescal Room at the Trilogy Lodge, 24503 Trilogy Parkway.



**"CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW?"** Verizon is counting on better service for customers with the installation of this cell tower on Temescal Canyon Road adjacent to the IvyGlen substation.



## CALENDAR

### EVENTS



## JULY PHOTO WINNER

The theme was "Keeping Cool in Temescal Valley."

Congratulations to **LANIE BLACKMON** of Dawson Canyon for her photo of "Brandi Keeping Cool in the Pool."

Calling all photographers! The theme for August's contest is "Public Safety Heroes." Here's how to enter:

<http://www.wearetv.org/blog/faire/2018photo.pdf>

## New web page lists valley's proposed, approved projects

Have you ever driven by an area under construction and wondered, "What's going in there?"

A new page on **Supervisor Kevin Jeffries'** website provides information on all approved development applications and a map of approved residential tracts.

You can view the page at:

<http://www.rivcodistrict1.org/opencms/News/PlanningNews.html>



**BICENTENNIAL SOUVENIRS:** Can be purchased at all Bicentennial events and at the monthly Temescal Valley Municipal Advisory Council and We Are Temescal Valley meetings. T-shirts are \$20 and the aprons and mugs are \$15.

- **Sycamore Summers Science Program:** Scheduled for **Friday, Aug. 10**, has been canceled due to the Holy Fire. Also canceled is the **Ditch Your Lawn** workshop scheduled for **Saturday, Aug. 11**. Sycamore Creek Interpretive Center is a hands-on learning experience where all ages can study the local ecology and natural history of Temescal Valley through exhibits, displays, activities and touch tables. Hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., **Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays**, 11875 Indian Truck Trail. **FREE!**
- **School is Back in Session:** For all CNUSD and LEUSD students, **Monday, Aug. 13**. That collective cheer you hear is from moms throughout Temescal Valley! **NOTE: See school updates on Page 1 for closures due to Holy fire.**
- **Bicentennial Cocktail Party at Glen Ivy Hot Springs:** Proceeds to benefit the Temescal Heritage Foundation, 6 to 8:30 p.m., **Thursday, Aug. 16**. Invitation only, \$25 per person. To learn more, email [TVbicentennial@gmail.com](mailto:TVbicentennial@gmail.com).
- **El Cerrito County Library:** 7581 Rudell Road, behind El Cerrito Middle School. Many fun activities for the kids! 951-270-5012 or check out the August activities on [Facebook](#).
- **County Bookmobile:** 9 to noon, **every Monday** and 2 to 4 p.m. **every Tuesday**, Deleo Regional Sports Park, 25655 Santiago Canyon Road.
- **Tom's Farms:** **FREE!** Every weekend — **Craft Faire**, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; **Magic Show**, noon and 2 p.m.; **live music**, 12:30 to 5 p.m.

### TEMESCAL VALLEY MEETINGS

- **We Are Temescal Valley Education Committee:** 6:30 p.m., **Wednesday, Aug. 15**, Senor Tom's restaurant.
- **Temescal Heritage Foundation Bicentennial Committee:** 9 a.m., **Saturday, Aug. 18**, Temescal Room, Trilogy Lodge, 24503 Trilogy Parkway.
- **Temescal Valley Disaster Response Team:** Team Leader meeting, 6:30 p.m., **Monday, Aug. 27**, Horsethief Canyon Ranch Clubhouse, 13289 Mountain Road.
- **Temescal Valley Water District Board Meeting:** 8:30 a.m., **Tuesday, Aug. 28**, 22646 Temescal Canyon Road.
- **We Are Temescal Valley Identity and Beautification Committees:** 6 and 7 p.m., respectively, **Friday, Sept. 7**, Senor Tom's restaurant.
- **We Are Temescal Valley citizens' group:** 8:30 a.m., **Saturday, Sept. 8**, Trilogy Lake Center, 24477 Trilogy Parkway.
- **Temescal Valley Municipal Advisory Council:** 6 p.m., **Wednesday, Sept. 12**, Trilogy Lodge, 24503 Trilogy Parkway.

### MEETINGS THAT AFFECT US

- **Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District Board Meeting:** 4 p.m., **Thursday, Aug. 9 and 23**, 31315 Chaney St., Lake Elsinore.
- **Riverside County Planning Commission:** 9 a.m., **Wednesday, Aug. 15 and Sept. 5**, Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon St., Riverside.
- **El Sobrante Administrative Review Committee:** 9 a.m., **Thursday, Aug. 16**, Riverside County Department of Waste Resources, 14310 Frederick St., Moreno Valley.
- **Corona-Norco Unified School District:** Study session, 6 p.m., **Tuesday, Aug. 21**; business meeting, 7 p.m., **Tuesday, Sept. 4**, 2820 Clark Ave., Norco.
- **Riverside County Board of Supervisors:** 9 a.m., **Tuesday, Aug. 28 and Sept. 11**, Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon St., Riverside.
- **Lake Elsinore Unified School District:** 6 p.m., **Thursday, Sept. 6**, 545 Chaney St., Lake Elsinore.



**American Red Cross**



# Weeks to prepare

Weekly shopping list based on a family of 4

<b>Week 1</b>				
Tour your home to gather items you already have. Place all items in a waterproof bag or container before packing in kit. Check off each item as you go. ___ A sturdy, easy-to-carry container to hold items (backpack, duffle bag or large tote) ___ A set of clothes and sturdy shoes for each family member ___ Copies of important papers (birth certificates, ID, insurance policies, passports, home lease/deed, etc.)				
___ A 3-day supply of your medications ___ A current list of family phone numbers and e-mails including someone who can be reached if local lines are down ___ A map (mark an evacuation route on it from your local area) ___ Extra cash in small bills ___ Spare keys for house and car ___ Spare glasses or contacts and solution ___ Books or toys				
<b>Week 2</b>	<b>Week 3</b>	<b>Week 4</b>	<b>Week 5</b>	<b>Week 6</b>
___ 1 gallon water ___ 1 jar peanut butter ___ 1 box crackers ___ 2 boxes energy bars ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ 1 gallon water ___ 2 cans meat/fish ___ 2 cans fruit/veggies ___ manual can opener ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ 1 gallon water ___ 1 bottle juice ___ 1 pkg hand sanitizer ___ 1 antibacterial soap ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ 1 gallon water ___ 1 liquid dish soap ___ 2 rolls toilet paper ___ 1 box facial tissues ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ 1 gallon water ___ first aid kit & guide ___ latex gloves ___ tweezers ___ weather radio \$1.75*
<b>Week 7</b>	<b>Week 8</b>	<b>Week 9</b>	<b>Week 10</b>	<b>Week 11</b>
___ thermometer ___ allergy/pain reliever in childproof container ___ sunscreen ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ 1 gallon water ___ feminine supplies ___ comb & brush ___ 1 potted meat ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ towels & washcloths ___ toothbrushes & paste ___ shampoo, bar soap ___ deodorant ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ umbrella/slicker ___ scarf ___ winter gloves ___ 1 bottle juice ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ 1 gallon water ___ 1 pkg energy snacks ___ emergency blanket ___ matches ___ weather radio \$1.75*
<b>Week 12</b>	<b>Week 13</b>	<b>Week 14</b>	<b>Week 15</b>	<b>Week 16</b>
___ flashlight ___ batteries ___ cotton rope ___ 1 bottle juice ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ 1 gallon water ___ screwdriver ___ utility knife ___ pliers ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ 2 cans fruit/veggies ___ 1 pkg eating utensils ___ 1 pkg plastic cups ___ paper towels/napkins ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ pet food & dishes ___ extra water ___ leash ___ litter pan/litter ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ 1 gallon water ___ 2 cans meat/fish ___ cell phone & charger ___ dried fruits and nuts ___ weather radio \$1.75*
<b>Week 17</b>	<b>Week 18</b>	<b>Week 19</b>	<b>Week 20</b>	<b>Week 21</b>
___ 1 gallon water ___ extra flashlight ___ extra batteries for radio & flashlight ___ 1 bottle juice ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ 1 gallon water ___ work gloves ___ dust masks ___ chlorine bleach ___ garbage bags & ties ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ 1 gallon water ___ plastic sheeting ___ plastic bucket & lid ___ disinfectant ___ notepad & pen ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ 2 boxes dry cereal ___ box graham crackers ___ whistle ___ duct tape ___ 1 pkg energy snacks ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ comfort foods ___ scissors ___ extra blankets ___ small pillows ___ water container ___ weather radio \$1.75*

\*Save \$1.75 a week and purchase your weather radio at the end of 21 weeks.

Customize your kit for your family.

For Baby: baby food, formula, bottles, diapers, extra water for formula and washing bottles

For Seniors: oxygen, walker, adult diapers, hearing aid with extra batteries and extra medications

For Pets: carrier, medicines, inoculation and health records, ID tags, photo of you with your pet(s)

For Children: toys, travel games, extra batteries, stuffed animal, cards, crayons, paper, books

Daylight Savings Time: When you change your clocks, check your kit! Replace expired food, medicine and batteries. Check clothing for fit and seasons. Also change smoke and carbon monoxide detector batteries.

For more preparedness tips, visit [redcross.org](http://redcross.org).