



City of Malibu News

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Public Information Guide: Palisades Fire

Update: January 9, 2025, 3:00 PM

Current Fire Status:

- **Size:** 19,978 acres
- **Containment:** 0%
- **Structures:** Over 1,000 damaged or destroyed
- **Injuries:** Several reported
- **Fire Limits:** At this time, the fire has extended beyond the burn scar of the Franklin Fire, although it is not advancing further into Malibu City limits.
- **UPDATED Weather Conditions:** Lower winds 9 mph, gusts up to 15mph blowing toward N and humidity 12%.

Utility Updates:

Southern California Edison (SCE):

The following circuits remain de-energized due to the Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS):

- Serra
- Nicholas
- Merlin
- Maguire
- Galahad
- Cuthbert

Southern California Gas (SoCalGas):

- SoCalGas is actively monitoring multiple fires in Los Angeles County, including the Palisades Fire in Pacific Palisades, Eaton Canyon Fire in Altadena/Pasadena, and Hurst Fire in Sylmar.
- Crews are coordinating with first responders and standing by to assess impacts.
- **Service Impacts:**
 - The gas main has been shut off from **Neptune's Net to Topanga**.
 - Natural gas service has been temporarily shut off to the Malibu community, from Brentwood Country Club to Pepperdine University. Approximately 15,000 customers are currently affected.
 - Gas service will be restored once it is safe to do so. SoCalGas may need to shut off service in additional areas for public safety.
- **Customer Guidance:**
 - Customers should not attempt to restore gas service on their own. SoCalGas crews will assist with service restorations.
 - Restoring service requires an in-home safety check, and an adult must be present.

- Customers will not be billed for gas service during the outage.
- Flexible payment arrangements and bill forgiveness may be available for customers directly impacted by fire damage or displacement.
- For more information or to report a gas leak, contact SoCalGas at **1-800-427-2200**, available 24/7.

- **Boil Water Notice:** Due to a low-pressure event related to the Palisades Fire, the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 29 (LACWD) and the State Water Resources Control Board - Division of Drinking Water are issuing a mandatory boil water notice in the following areas:
 - Sunset Mesa community (from Topanga Beach and Coastline Dr. South to Shoreheights Dr. North).
 - Malibu coastal areas from Topanga Canyon Rd. to Carbon Canyon Rd., including Big Rock community and Carbon Mesa community.

Please only drink boiled water or bottled water until the notice is lifted. It is suggested to boil water if you are in a burn area even if you have not received warning/alert.

For more information, call LACWD customer service at (800) 675-4357 or the State Water Resources Control Board at (818) 551-2004 (business hours) or (213) 210-7100 (after hours).

Fuel Availability:

- **All gas stations in Malibu are currently non-operational.**
Residents and visitors are advised to fuel vehicles outside the Malibu area before traveling or evacuating.

Traffic Signal Status:

The following intersections on Pacific Coast Highway (PCH) are affected:

- **Dark Signals:**
 - PCH & Carbon
 - PCH & Rambla Pacifico
 - PCH & Las Flores
 - PCH & Big Rock
 - PCH & Topanga Canyon
- **Flashing Signal:**
 - PCH & Corral Canyon

Drivers are urged to treat dark signals as four-way stops and proceed with caution.

Road Closures (Hard Closures):

- PCH & Entrada – Westbound
- Lost Hills/Las Virgenes – Southbound
- Topanga/Mulholland – Southbound
- Old Topanga/Mulholland – Southbound
- Mulholland/Stunt – Southbound

- Malibu Canyon/Pioma – Southbound
- PCH/Malibu Canyon – Westbound and Eastbound
- Malibu Road/Webb Way – Eastbound
- Mulholland/Malibu Canyon – Eastbound
- Pioma/Woodbluffs – Full closure
- Dry Canyon Cold Creek/Mulholland – Full closure
- Mulholland/Malibu Canyon – Southbound

Drivers should avoid these areas and follow detour signage.

Cellular Service Providers:

T-Mobile: Majority of cell towers are operational, some are still under assessment. No WiFi Towers for residents in Malibu (LA Only) but may deploy Community Assistance Truck to City.

AT&T: AT&T has deployed a Satellite Cell Truck to Zuma Beach to provide backup power and network assets to community members and first responders.

Verizon: Generators on cell towers at Civic Center and Zuma Beach. Verizon Residents can access cell services at these sites.

City Information Distribution:

- The City is establishing multiple information distribution points throughout Malibu to ensure residents have access to the latest updates and resources.
- Residents are encouraged to check with these locations for critical information if connectivity remains limited.

Evacuation Zones:

Current Malibu Zones Under Evacuation Orders:

MAL-C11-A	Carbon Canyon, Carbon Beach East, La Costa Beach, La Costa (hillside), Las Flores Creek	EVACUATION ORDER
MAL-C111-B	Las Flores Mesa, Eastern Malibu, Big Rock, Las Tunas Beach, Topanga Beach Road	EVACUATION ORDER
MAL-C112-B	Carbon Beach Terrace, Carbon Beach	EVACUATION ORDER
RMB-U030-A	Upper Rambla Pacifica, Upper Las Flores, Hume Rd, LA County Fire Station No. 8, Unincorporated LA County	EVACUATION ORDER
RMB-U030-B	Pioma Rd, Upper Malibu Creek, Unincorporated LA County	EVACUATION ORDER

RMB-U030 E	Unincorporated LA County; South Piuma Road	EVACUATION ORDER
MAL-C112-A:	Carbon Beach West/Malibu Beach; Sweetwater Canyon; Sweetwater Mesa; Serra Retreat; Malibu Creek; Cross Creek; Malibu Colony; Civic Center; Malibu Knolls; Malibu Road, Malibu Country Estates; Puerco Canyon	EVACUATION WARNING

Neighboring Community Evacuations:

- **Evacuation Orders:**
 DRY-U026-A, LOS-Q0767, MTN-U028, RMB-U030-A/D, RRC-U027, SAN-Q1395-B, SAN-Q1396-B, SDP-U029, SSM-U010-A/B, TOP-U001-TOP-U009
- **Evacuation Warnings:**
 CAL-C405 through CAL-C415, DRY-U026/B, MCR-U021-A, RMB-U030-C, SAN-Q1395-A/B

Evacuation Centers:

1. **El Camino Real Charter High School**
 5440 Valley Circle Blvd, Woodland Hills, CA 91367
2. **Pasadena Convention Center**
 300 E Green St, Pasadena, CA 91101
3. **Westwood Recreation Center**
 1350 S Sepulveda Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90025
4. **Stoner Recreation Center**
 1835 Stoner Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90025

Repopulation:

No repopulations are expected to be scheduled for atleast the next 72 hours.

Crime:

LA County Sheriff is firmly enforcing mandatory evacuations orders. A misdemeanor will be issued to anyone found in an area that is subject to an evacuation order. Sheriff’s Crime Suppression Unit is conducting active patrols in all evacuation areas.

Animal Shelters:

Large Animal Shelters:

1. Los Angeles Equestrian Center
 480 W Riverside Dr, Burbank, CA 91506
2. Industry Hills Expo
 16200 Temple Ave, City of Industry, CA 91744
3. Pomona Fairplex
 1101 W McKinley Ave, Pomona, CA 91768
4. Pierce College Equestrian Center is at capacity

Small Animal Shelters:

1. Agoura Animal Care Center
29525 Agoura Rd, Agoura Hills, CA 91301
2. Pasadena Humane Society
361 S Raymond Ave, Pasadena, CA 91105

Donations for Those Impacted by the Fire:

The Boys & Girls Club of Malibu has established an emergency relief fund to help those impacted by this disaster, at donate.onecause.com/bgcmalibu/donate. The public is asked to direct donations here, and not to bring donations of food, clothing, etc. to the fire zone.

Addition donation opportunities:

- California Community Foundation <https://www.calfund.org/>
- Los Angeles Fire Department Foundation <https://supportlafd.org/>

City Updates:

- **City Hall:** Closed
- **Programs:** All City programs are canceled.
- **Schools:** Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District (SMMUSD) schools in Malibu are closed Thursday and Friday, and Pepperdine University is closed, Spring Semester currently scheduled for Monday January 13.

Key Messages for Residents:

1. **Evacuate When Ordered:**
 - Evacuation orders save lives. If you are told to leave, do so immediately.
 - Close all windows and doors, move flammable items away from your home, and leave doors **unlocked** for firefighter access.
2. **Stay Informed:**
 - Power outages are affecting alert systems. Residents must tune into **KBUU 99.1 FM** for real-time updates.
 - Check official resources:
 - **AlertLA:** <https://alertla.gov>
 - **CAL FIRE:** <https://fire.ca.gov>
 - **Malibu City Updates:** <https://malibucity.org/PalisadesFire>
3. **City Hotline for Assistance:**
 - For more information, call the **City of Malibu Emergency Hotline** at **310-456-9982**.
4. **SoCalGas Support:**
 - For gas-related concerns or to report a gas leak, call **1-800-427-2200** (available 24/7).
5. **Hotel Information**

Check with your insurance company to determine if they will help cover costs.

Availability:

Courtyard Ventura Simi Valley	191 Cochran St, Simi Valley, CA 93065	(805) 915-5000	1 room
Hilton Garden Inn Oxnard/Camarillo	2000 Solar Dr, Oxnard, CA 93036	<u>(805) 983-8600</u>	16 rooms
Hampton Inn Channel Islands Harbor	3231 Peninsula Rd, Oxnard, CA 93035	(805) 985-1100	18 rooms 1/10

Emergency Distribution Center:

- Starts tomorrow 10am-4pm
- [Equestrian Park](#), 25 Merritt Drive, Malibu, CA 90265
- Supplies Available: Water, masks, snacks, minor first aid

Resource for Residents:

- 211LA.org <https://211la.org/>
- Emergency Network Los Angeles <https://enla.org/>
- 211LA.org - mental health, human and social services
- Temporary Housing - 211LA.org (however, when searching this webpage using keyword "housing" it provides links to homeless shelters, crisis shelters, etc.)
- <https://211la.org/resources/subcategory/housing>

Volunteer opportunities:

- Emergency Network Los Angeles <https://enla.org/>

Additional Notes:

The City of Malibu urges all residents to stay informed through official updates and prioritize their safety. We thank our first responders and community members for their cooperation during this challenging time.

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City of Malibu Emergency Operations Center

NOTE FOR THE MEDIA: During the current emergency incident members of the media can reach the City of Malibu's on-shift Public Information Officer for media requests at 310-456-2489, x333 or PIO@malibucity.org.