

If You Become Trapped

In your home:

- Stay inside until the fire passes.
- Close all windows.
- Keep all doors closed, but unlocked.
- Keep family together and remain calm.
- Remember, if it gets hot inside your house, it will be much hotter outside.

In your car:

- Park away from vegetation.
- Roll up windows.
- Cover mouth with dry cloth to protect airway.
- Cover yourself with a blanket or jacket.
- Stay in the car until the fire passes.
- If the vehicle catches on fire, exit only after the wildfire has passed.

On foot:

- Find an area away from vegetation.
- Lie face down.
- Cover mouth with dry cloth to protect airway.

After the Fire Passes

- Check the roof and exterior of your home, extinguish all sparks and embers.
- Check your attic for hidden embers.
- Check your yard for burning wood piles, trees, fence posts or other materials.

Returning to Your Home

- Emergency Managers will decide when it is safe to return.
- Information will be available through local media, at road blocks, shelters and at the Eagle River Fire Protection District website (www.eagleriverfire.org), Facebook page ([EagleRiverFireProtectionDistrict](https://www.facebook.com/EagleRiverFireProtectionDistrict)) and Twitter (@EagleRiverFire) as well as www.ECEmergency.org and @EagleCountyPIO on Facebook.

HOMESTEAD Area Evacuation

Emergency Travel Routes & Temporary Refuge Areas

Temporary Refuge Areas

A gathering for residents if evacuation routes are obstructed by smoke, incoming emergency equipment or directly threatened by fire. Examples: lee side of structure, inside of structure, large lawn or parking area, cab of apparatus. Only used as a last resort.

Temporary refuge areas are indicated by the **S** symbol



Evacuation Point: Mountain Recreation Edwards Field House



Arrows indicate preferred evacuation traffic flow to allow emergency vehicles to access the area

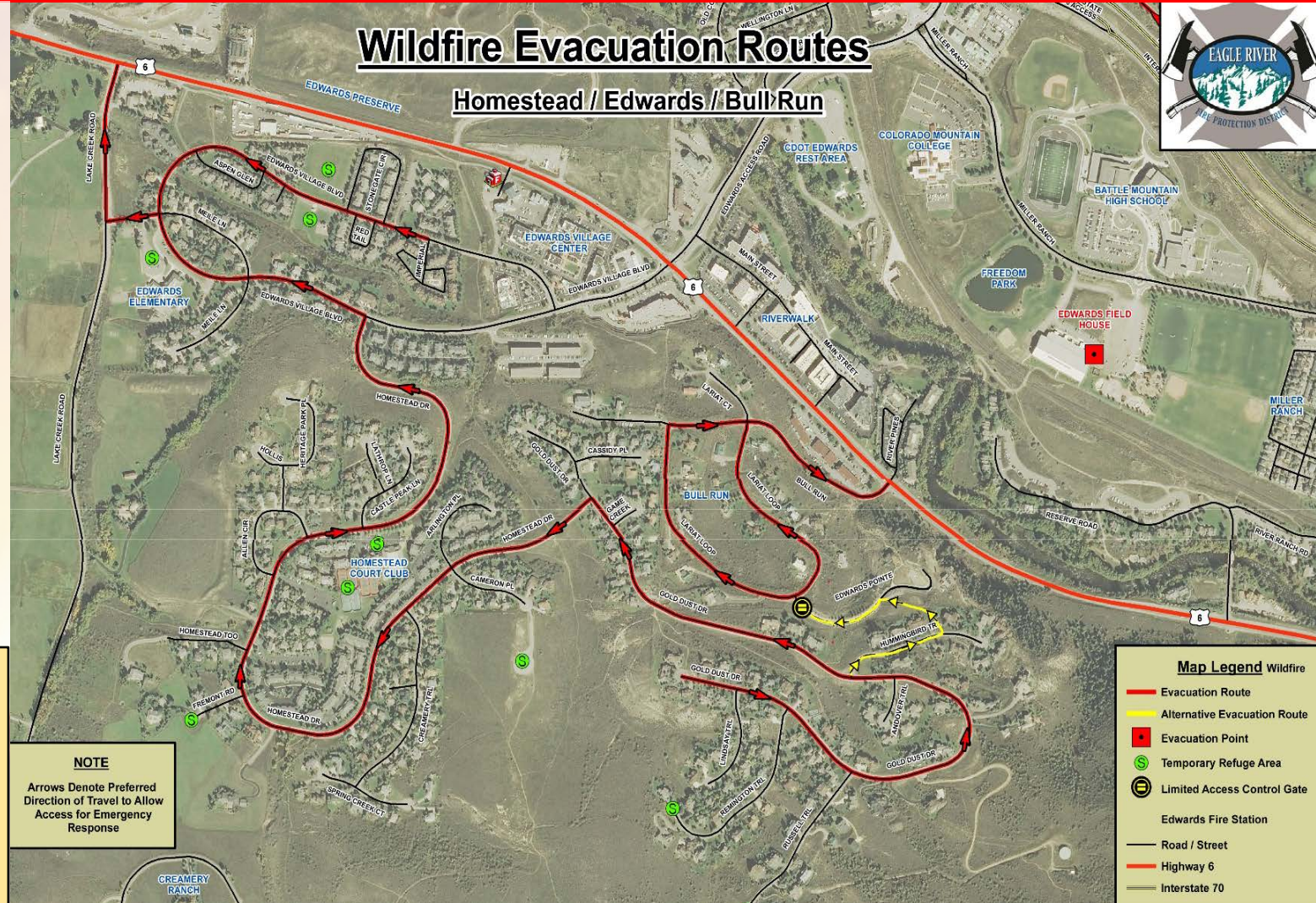
Important Phone Numbers

Life Threatening Emergencies: 911

Non-emergency numbers

American Red Cross (970) 328-3044
 Animal Control (970) 328-3647
 Eagle River Fire (970) 748-9665
 Eagle County Sheriff (970) 328-8500
 Non-emergency Dispatch (970) 479-2200

Sign up for emergency notifications at:
www.ecalert.org



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To schedule a site assessment of your property, contact:

Jeff Zechman at (970) 471-2796 or jzechman@eagleriverfire.org

**KEEP THIS
 EVACUATION PLAN
 FOR
 FUTURE REFERENCE**

"Get Ready"

- Provide defensible space around structures for distance of at least 100 feet.
- Clear flammable materials from rain gutters and roof.
- Trim tree branches at least 10 feet from chimney.
- Clear at least 10 feet around propane tanks.
- Replace flammable vegetation with less flammable plants.
- Use fire-resistant materials for roofing and siding.
- Move wood piles away from house.
- Make sure your water tank is full and the hydrant is accessible.
- Have garden hose and ladder available that will reach the roof.
- Locate escape routes and Temporary Refuge Areas. (See map inside)
- Have an escape plan. Know where to meet your family.
- Choose an out-of-area friend or relative as a check-in contact. Write his/her phone number on the phone list inside.

"Get Set"

- Evacuate as soon as you are set.
- Alert family and neighbors.
- Dress in appropriate clothing (i.e., long pants, long sleeved shirt, goggles or glasses, hat and a dry bandana over your face. Cotton clothing is best).
- Ensure that you have your emergency supply kit on hand that includes all necessary items, such as battery powered radio, spare batteries, emergency contact numbers, and ample drinking water.
- Tune in to any local radio or TV station for updates and information.
- Remain close to your house, drink plenty of water and keep an eye on your family and pets until you are ready to leave

"Go"

- Citizens may be notified by fire personnel and/ or law enforcement personnel if evacuation is necessary.
- Safely make your way out of the area. If unable to evacuate completely, go to the closest Temporary Refuge Area. (See map inside)
- The Red Cross will establish evacuation centers.
- If evacuated, contact the Red Cross to provide information about your status so that family or friends can be informed.
- After an area has been evacuated, the area will remain closed until the threat has passed.
- **MOST IMPORTANTLY**, if you feel unsafe, don't wait. Follow the checklist items and get out.

CHECKLIST:

What to do if a wildfire is approaching

- Park vehicles facing outward.
- Put valuables, important documents and essentials, such as medications, in your vehicle.
- Keep keys where you can find them.
- Secure pets and prepare them for transport.
- Horse owners may call Eagle County Animal Control for assistance. See phone list for number.
- Close shutters, windows, heavy drapes and fireplace dampers.
- Remove thin drapes and other flammables near windows.
- Turn on outside lights and leave some inside lights on.
- Turn off gas at meter or propane tank.
- Safely make your way out of the area. If unable to evacuate completely, go to the closest Temporary Refuge Area (see map).
- Drive with headlights on.


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HOMESTEAD

FIRE EVACUATION PLAN

Ready...Set...GO!

*You live in wildfire country...
Are you prepared to evacuate?*

