

# California Standard Statewide Evacuation Terminology

**Evacuation Warning** - Potential threat to life and/or property. Those requiring additional time to evacuate and those with pets, livestock, and special needs should leave NOW.

**Shelter in Place** - Go indoors. Shut and lock doors and windows. Prepare to self-sustain until further notice and/or contacted by emergency personnel for additional direction.

**Evacuation Order(s) Lifted** - The formal announcement of lifting evacuations in an area currently under evacuation. Typically, only law enforcement can issue these orders.

**Hard Closure** - Closed to all traffic except Fire and Law Enforcement.

**Soft Closure** - Closed to all traffic except Fire and Law Enforcement and critical incident resources. (i.e. Utility, Caltrans, City/County Roads etc. or those needed to repair or restore infrastructure)

**Resident Only Closure** - Soft Closure with the additional allowance of residents and local government agencies assisting with response and recovery.