

Silver City Emergency Plan, Updated 2025

1. Please stay as calm as possible.
2. Ring Bell or Manual Fire Alarm at store or water shed or repeatedly honk your car horn three (3) times pause and repeat pattern until help arrives.
3. Meet at the Silver City Store deck. (*See Wildfire Evacuation Plan, Meeting Points and Communication Hub*)
 - a. The deck will be the center for information, and the leader will have a plan on how to proceed.
 - b. Follow the instructions of the leader who will be in contact with emergency personnel and other communication hubs. (Cold Springs and Mineral King)
4. In the case of a structure/cabin fire:
 - a. Remember it takes a team to fight the fire!
 - b. Everyone will have a role and *most of these are support*
 - c. Alert the store and all occupied cabins.
5. Fighting a structure fire:
 - a. Yours and others SAFETY must come first! Get help first!
 - b. NEVER enter a building. We are a volunteer team and are not equipped or trained to enter a burning structure.
 - c. Try to contain the fire to the structure and protect surrounding structures and trees.
 - d. If you are wearing synthetic clothing, **do not fight the fire**, as your clothes may melt and create another emergency. Either change clothes or be a support person.
2. Leaving your cabin (*See Evacuation Checklist*):
 - a. Close all the windows and doors in your cabin.
 - b. Turn OFF propane at the tank.
 - c. Turn OFF all water service valves to the cabin except *The Fire Hose System: It will remain charged. (You may be instructed to leave all water valves to cabin open.)*
3. In the case of an evacuation of Silver City: (*See Wildfire Action Plan for Definitions of Warnings and Evacuations*)
 - a. Stay put at the resort until notified.
Do not automatically go downhill as emergency vehicles will be coming up the hill!
 - b. If a fire is below Silver City, plan to evacuate up the hill and meet at the designated evacuation area on map (*Meeting Points and Communication Hub: Cold Springs Ranger Station or Mineral King*) There are fewer things to burn there, and this is considered a safer area.
***It is also close to the helicopter pad. ***
 - c. *Only if there is no other option should we go downhill. In this case we should meet at the Atwill Mill camping parking lot or Atwell Ranger Station.*
4. What to bring. Bring only the clothes on your back and any important paperwork or pictures that you can carry in your pockets. Or grab your premade emergency backpack. (*Emergency Pack Details, see Evacuation Checklist*)
 - a. Bring bandana, handkerchief, mask for covering your mouth and filtering smoke. (This should be in your premade emergency pack: N95 mask and eye goggles for smoke) If you are helicoptered out they (Park Service) will not take personal belongings....and unfortunately that includes pets.

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