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JOINT INFORMATION CENTER
NEWS RELEASE
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

SBC-JIC Jesusita Fire 015
DATE: May 7, 2009
TIME: 0130 hours (1:30 AM)

Animal Services and Partners Offer Safe Care for Pets During Jesusita Fire

Santa Barbara County Animal Services and our community partners -- including the Santa Barbara Humane Society, ASAP, and Equine Evac -- have provided emergency care for more than 300 animals displaced by the Jesusita Fire as of May 6, 2009. It has been a collaborative effort to provide safe care for pets during this traumatic time. Many pet owners have expressed appreciation knowing their animals are safe and secure.

Individuals in our community who would like to support their effort may make donations to the Santa Barbara Humane Society. The following items are particularly needed:

- Pedigree small crunchy bites dry dog food
- Pedigree chunky beef and chicken canned dog food
- Johnny Cat Original cal litter (unscented and non-clumping)
- Whiska's dry cat food
- Friskies mixed grill canned cat food

The Santa Barbara Humane Society is located at 5399 Overpass Road, and is open from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday. For further information call 805-964-4777.

The following is previously released information:

Governor Schwarzenegger has declared Santa Barbara County in a State of Emergency, and will be visiting the county on Thursday, May 7. At 0830 hours (8:30 a.m.) there will be an Operations Briefing followed by a press conference with Governor Schwarzenegger at 0900 (9:00 a.m.).

As of 2350 hours (11:50 p.m.), burned structures have been confirmed.

Additional School Closures:

- El Montecito School on East Canon Perdido Street
- Olive Grove Charter School on Micheltorena Street
- El Puente School

Effective 2300 (11:00pm) May 6, 2009.

Mandatory evacuation order are reduced to an evacuation warning in the following two areas: Constance and State Street, South on State to Micheltorena, Micheltorena to Garden Street, Garden Street to Constance, Constance to State Street, and the Alamar Road area. On the east from State Street to Calle Noguera, Calle Noguera West to San Roque, San Roque South to State Street, State Street East to Alamar.

Residents may return to their homes and businesses. Please remember that an evacuation warning still exists in the area. Returning residents and business owners are cautioned to remain aware of the potential for an evacuation order on short notice.

These are the current school closures as of 2120 (9:20pm) for the Hope, Cold Springs, and Santa Barbara School Districts.

Hope School District:

- *Hope School*
- *Monte Vista School*

Santa Barbara School Districts:

- *Adams*
- *Cesar Chavez*
- *Cleveland*
- *Franklin*
- *Open Alternative*
- *Peabody*
- *Parma Center*
- *Roosevelt*
- *La Colina Junior High*
- *Community Based School*
- *Santa Barbara Junior High*
- *Santa Barbara High School*

Roadway Closures:

Laurel Canyon @ Hwy 192 **(County)**

Glen Albyn @ Hwy 192 **(County)**

Tye Road @ Hwy 192 **(County)**

Cheltenham @ Hwy 192 **(County)**

Tornoe Rd @ Hwy 192 **(County)**

Mission Canyon @ Hwy 192 **(County)**

Salvar Road @ Via Chapparell **(County)**

West Camino Cielo @ Painted Cave **(County)**

La Cumbre @ Hwy 192 **(County)**

Morada Lane @ Hwy 192 **(City of SB)**

N. Ontare @ Hwy 192 **(City of SB)**

San Roque @ Hwy 192 **(City of SB)**

Calle Laureles Hwy 192 **(City of SB)**

Almar Ave Hwy 192 **(City of SB)**

Mountain Dr @ Hwy 192 **(Caltrans)**

Mountain @ Foothill (**Caltrans**)
Los Canos @ Mountain (**City of SB**)
Gibraltar @ Cielito (**County**)

Road Closures in the City of Santa Barbara:

All of the following streets at State Street:

- San Roque
- Calle Pallo Colorado
- Calle Laureles
- Calle Crespis
- Alamar
- Constance
- Quinto
- Junipero
- Pueblo
- Los Olivos
- Padre
- Mission
- Pedregosa
- Islay
- Valerio

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All the following streets at Micheltorena Street:

- Anacapa St
- California St
- Santa Barbara St
- Garden St
- Olive St

Additional closures:

- Loma/California
- APS/Dover
- APS/Loma Media
- Las Alturas/Mission Ridge
- Mountain/El Cielito

Evacuation Assistance

Residents in the mandatory evacuation area who are physically unable to evacuate on their own, should call the Jesusita Fire Call Center at 681-5197. Please do not call 911 as the system is overloaded.

The call center staff will need to know the following information:

- ◆ Name of person needing assistance with evacuation
- ◆ Working phone number

- ◆ Address
- ◆ Closest intersection
- ◆ Whether or not you can walk on your own
- ◆ Whether you need a wheel chair
- ◆ Whether you are bed bound
- ◆ Whether you use oxygen or other medical equipment
- ◆ Whether you can travel via automobile or if you'll need an ambulance

You will be called so arrangements can be made for transportation.

For more information go to the County's website at www.CountyofSB.org

For more information on road closures, call Road Closure Hot Line at (805) 568-3006 or go to www.countyofsb.org/pwd/roads/closure.htm

The Jesusita Fire Call Center number is 805-681-5197. The Animal Services Hotline is 805-681-4332.

Large animals can be taken to:

Earl Warren Showgrounds – Los Positas entrance
3400 Calle Real in Santa Barbara

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Small animals can be taken to:

Santa Barbara Humane Society
5399 Overpass Road
Goleta, CA 93117

The County of Santa Barbara urges you to prepare for more evacuations and power outages.

Residents are advised to stay alert for additional information by listening to County Government cable TV station Channel 20, or the following AM or FM radio "Stations of Choice" for Emergency Public Information or to other local television and radio stations.

AM Stations

KTMS—990 KUHL—1410 KZSB—1290 KINF—1440 San Marcos Pass Radio - 1040

FM Stations

KCSB—91.9 KSPE—94.5 (Spanish) KSYV—96.7 KTYD—99.9 KSBL—101.7
KRAZ—105.9 KIST—107.7 (Spanish)

Intermittent Power Outages Expected

Southern California Edison power lines are affected by smoke from the Jesusita Fire, resulting in intermittent power outages along the South Coast. Residents and businesses are advised to

prepare for possible power outages tonight and tomorrow. Please refrain from unnecessary power use to reduce demand on the power grid.

Additional information will be available at www.countyofsb.org and www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov. Updated information is also available at County of Santa Barbara television station Channel 20 and City of Santa Barbara television station Channel 18.

Radio Stations:

FM: KCSB-91.9; KSYV-96.7; KTYD-99.9; KSBL-101.7; KRAZ-105.9

AM: KTMS-990; KZSB-1290; KUHL-1410; KINF-1440
Spanish language FM stations KSPE-94.5 and KIST-107.7

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