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## Update on Escondido House Burn Plan

The lawyer of George Jakubec filed a request in federal court today to preserve evidence and stop the planned burning of the house at 1954 Via Scott. U.S. District Court Judge Larry Burns denied the request and ruled the burn could go ahead because of safety.

Our plan for the burn operation is proceeding. Sheriff's Deputies and Escondido Police officers will start knocking on doors at 7:00 this evening to deliver actual evacuation notices to affected residents. There will be increased security patrols in the evacuation zone.

The Red Cross Shelter will open at 6:00 this evening at M. Gordon Clarke Field House/University Student Union on the campus of California State University, San Marcos (333 S. Twin Oaks Valley Road, San Marcos, CA 92096). Please call the Red Cross at (858) 309-1200 for more information. People with special needs for transportation and equipment can call Don Rawson at (760) 839-5404. A Red Cross Shelter Manager will be in contact with appropriate agencies to inform residents when they can return to their homes. Chris Marek from the Red Cross is available for interviews today about shelter operations from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Traffic Control Points will be in place around Via Scott starting at 3:00 tomorrow morning. If you are in the evacuation zone and forgot something, Sheriff's deputies and Escondido Police officers will be escorting you to your home. By 6:00 a.m. everything will be shut down.

People living in the shelter in place zone will receive reverse 9-1-1 calls at 8:00 tomorrow morning. That's when they have to start shutting their doors and windows. After 3:00 p.m., please call 2-1-1, check [www.sdcountyemergency.com](http://www.sdcountyemergency.com) or tune in to your local TV or radio stations about the all clear.

County HAZMAT is meeting with California agencies and the air monitoring team is being briefed and trained. Team members are also coordinating burn day operations with the Hazardous Incident Response Team (HIRT). Four HIRT team units will be staged in an area outside of the burn area in case there are calls about exposure away from the operation. County HAZMAT is also preparing and coordinating the debris removal after the controlled burn.

On the day of the burn, fire and law enforcement personnel will have a safety briefing at 4:30 a.m. At 6:00 a.m., Sheriff's Deputies will make final door-to-door notification checks within the evacuation zone. At 7:00 a.m., the Sheriff's Bomb/Arson Unit will begin final burn preparation inside 1954 Via Scott. San Marcos Firefighters will spray protective gel on adjacent homes. CHP will close the I-15 30 minutes prior to the burn window which is between 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

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