




Nixle Guide for Fire Agencies

Level of Notification	Description	Examples	Geo Fence	Contact method	Message Type
Tier 1 – General Information Responsibility: PIO/Office staff as appointed	General Awareness Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Events & Awareness Low Impact Activity (vehicle accidents, fires, investigations, localized flooding, street closures) Prescribed burning/Vegetation management recommendations Drift smoke 	None	Community Type: ✓ Email ✓ Social Media	
Tier 2 – Low Urgency Responsibility: PIO/Office staff as appointed	Medium Level Warning: Impact the Residents but NON-Threatening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Road Closure due to Fire Activity (avoid the area, in progress event) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Geo Fence 5 mile radius 	Advisory Type: ✓ SMS ✓ Email ✓ Social Media	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Train/Aircraft/MCI incident 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Geo Fence 5 mile radius 		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Landslides 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Geo Fence 5 mile radius 		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Red Flag Warning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Countywide 		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fire related incident impacting dispatch services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Countywide 		
Tier 3 – High Urgency Requires Immediate Action Responsibility: PIO/Office staff as appointed	Severe Threat: Requiring Action Taken, Immediate Threat to Life/Property	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hazmat 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IC to define 	Alert Type: ✓ SMS ✓ Email ✓ SoCoAlert ✓ WEA/EAS Alert ✓ Social Media	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Major Incident 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IC to define 		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evacuation/Shelter in Place* <p>*Coordinate with Law/Sheriff</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IC to define 		

Note: Issuing an ALL CLEAR should be issued for evacuations, shelter in place, when a major thoroughfare (HWY 101 & HWY 12) is reopened or when any incident needs an official conclusion message.