

Attachment C

Proposed Operational Procedures For No Parking on Red Flag Fire Alert Days on Tunnel Road

If the Board directs staff to implement the No Parking program:

1. The Roads Division of Public Works will install permanent signs that identify “No Parking” tow away zone for Red Flag Warning Days as declared by the National Weather Service or the County Fire Chiefs. These may be similar to those used in Los Angeles and used with flip-down signs at locations discussed in number two immediately below. The area of deployment will be from Tunnel Road above Montrose Place to the Tunnel Road terminus.
2. Three larger flip-down signs will be placed on Tunnel Road at Montrose Place, on Tunnel Road at Mission Canyon Road and on Mission Canyon at Foothill Road (across from Station 15).
3. The flip-down signs at these locations may also notice that the trail is closed.

Definition of a “Red Flag Warning” by the National Weather Service (As defined by the National Weather Service Oxnard) and factors considered by the County Fire Chiefs:

Relative Humidity (RH) 15% or less with either sustained winds 25 mph or greater OR frequent gusts 35 mph or greater for a duration of 6 hours or more

-OR-

RH 10% or less with either sustained winds 15 mph or greater or frequent gusts 25 mph or greater for a duration of 6 hours or more

-OR-

Widespread and/or significant dry lightning

-OR-

Other - unusual but significant meteorological and/or fuel conditions in coordination with GACC or local agency

Upon a declaration of a Red Flag Warning Day by the National Weather Service or the County Fire Chiefs:

1. County Fire Station 15 crew will flip-down the notice signs in Mission Canyon as well as the Red Flag No Parking signs at Tunnel Road at Montrose Place, on Tunnel Road at Mission Canyon Road and on Mission Canyon at Foothill Road (across from Station 15).
2. County Fire Station 15 crew will flip down a sign at the trailhead stating that the trail is closed due to extreme fire danger.
3. The County Fire Department will notify the Sheriff's Department, the California Highway Patrol, the Parks Department, the County Roads Commissioner (County Public Works) and the Office of Emergency Management of the declaration or impending declaration and the flip-down sign deployment.
 - ✓ With the time of notification noted, parking enforcement will begin to sooner than 12-hours after the signs are flipped-down.
4. The County Fire Department will, as is the current practice, notify local media and interested parties such as the Mission Canyon Homeowners' Association of the declaration and highlight that Red Flag Warning "No Parking" enforcement will be activated.
5. OEM will issue a Nixle alert for the Mission Canyon area advising Nixle subscribers (Text SBCountyOEM to 888777).
6. OEM will post the alert/message on the OEM Facebook site (www.Facebook.com/SBCountyOEM).
7. The Sheriff's Department will issue a Reverse 9-1-1 to the area residents of Tunnel Road advising them of the Red Flag Warning and the No Parking enforcement.
8. The Parks Department will notify its trails constituency of the event and restrictions.

Upon the discontinuance of a Red Flag Warning:

1. The County Fire Department will notify the Sheriff's Department, the CHP and the Parks Department of discontinuance.
2. The three folding signs will be closed by County Fire.