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### NEWS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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#### Ventura County Fire reminds the public to clear brush ahead of fire season

CAMARILLO, Calif. – Thousands of letters have been sent to homeowners and property managers reminding Ventura County to clear 100 feet of brush away from properties by June 1, 2019.



More than 18,400 parcels will receive [Fire Hazard Reduction Program \(FHRP\)](#) notices advising people to remove dry brush near open land where wildfires may occur.

This year, notices will include a [Ready, Set, Go!](#) safety checklist, defensible space zone map and a wildfire property assessment brochure. The additional information is intended to help people understand how to better prepare their home and property before a wildfire occurs.

[Ventura County Fire](#) requires homeowners and property managers to clear brush away from nearby buildings and maintain 100 feet of defensible space. Dead trees, poorly maintained properties and dry brush greatly increases the risk of fast-spreading, dangerous wildfires.

FHRP is designed to minimize fire danger by controlling the density and placement of flammable vegetation. It not only helps protect Ventura County, but also provides a buffer zone for firefighters to operate should a wildfire threaten a home or property.

To find out if a parcel has been approved, visit [www.VCFHRP.org](http://www.VCFHRP.org). For additional information on the Fire Hazard Reduction Program, call (805) 389-9759 or send an email to [fhrp@ventura.org](mailto:fhrp@ventura.org).



For more information about how to prepare for wildfire, download a [Ready, Set, Go!](#) Brochure, which is also available in [Spanish](#).

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