



San Bernardino City Fire Department Press Release

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Wildfire Awareness Week May 3-9, 2015

The likelihood of wildfire threatens San Bernardino every year. This year, warmer and drier weather conditions as well as a lack of rain have continued to make matters even worse. To ensure that residents are ready, the Governor of California has declared the first week of May "Wildfire Awareness Week". During the week of May 3-9, the San Bernardino Fire Department will be emphasizing more than usual, the need for residents and community leaders to develop, improve and implement wildfire preparedness plans.

*Within the City of San Bernardino are approximately 19 square miles of wildland urban interface. These are areas of the city where homes are built near or among lands prone to wildland fire. The San Bernardino Fire Department, along with other fire agencies throughout the state, have adopted the **Ready, Set, Go!** program to educate individuals living in high risk wildland fire areas, how to best prepare themselves against wildfire threats.*

*Fire often catches people unprepared. **Ready, Set, Go!** is an easy process for residents to learn and remember the need to **Ready** themselves and property before a fire starts, have a **Set** plan before the need to evacuate, and acting on the plan when it is time to **Go!***

For more information on preparing for wildfire, visit www.ReadyForWildfire.org

