RED FLAG WARNING CHECKLIST

Protective Measures

- Park your car heading out (windows closed) and keep your car keys handy
- Disconnect automatic garage door openers and use the manual function in case of power failure before you are able to exit
- o Place your box of important documents, photos and keepsakes inside your car
- Keep pet carriers readily accessible
- Using a digital camera and the free Home Inventory Guide from the California Department of Insurance (available at <u>www.insurance.ca.gov</u>), catalogue your possessions and document their values.
 - · Label Photographs with information about each item.
 - If a video recorder is used, commentary about each item should be included.
 - A copy of the inventory and supporting documentation, such as receipts and model numbers, should be stored in a safe place such as a safe-deposit box, work office, or a relative's house.
 - These records should also include financial documents such as insurance policies and mortgage information.

When You Leave Your Home

- Keep drapes or other combustible window coverings OPEN or remove them completely
- Close all interior doors of the house (this slows the spread of the fire)
- o Close all windows
- Keep interior lights ON. (As long as power remains, your home will be more visible to firefighters through the smoke or darkness)
- Move combustible furniture (sofas, beds, etc.) away from windows and towards the center of the room