



5 CA Wildfire Survival Lessons

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Horrific Fires In California

There are over 60 dead and 600 missing (as of this recording). The CA wildfires are now the deadliest in California's history.

- The worst part about these incidents is listening to the reasons WHY people die.
- People don't HAVE to die if they're prepared.
- It's critical to prepare now for a disaster, lest you cause your own needless death.

1. Emergency Preparedness Is About Being Prepared AHEAD OF TIME

It takes time to prepare. Don't procrastinate or you won't have what you need when an emergency happens. It takes TIME to do these things. You need to get together...

- Your plan
- Your gear
- Your supplies
- If you have mobility issues or other challenges, that's even more reason to start NOW rather than putting it off

2. Seconds Count

Cognitive dissonance makes us believe that bad things can't happen to us and that the worst won't occur.

- Even though you may not be able to believe it, you MUST accept that it can happen to you.
- People experiencing cognitive dissonance focus on why they think it can't happen to them, while ignoring all the evidence that it can.
- You can't afford to wait! Act NOW.

3. Photo Albums And Documents

People tend to run around searching for important documents and photo albums, which delays their evacuation/bug out.

- Your photo albums and documents can be placed on an SD card or USB drive that stores massive amounts of data, home movies, documents, etc.
- Preparing a data backup makes it easy to have your photo albums and important documents ready to go for a bug out situation.
- There are services that will convert your photos, etc. for you.

4. Have Alternative Routes

People trying to evacuate an emergency often find themselves stymied when their ONE evacuation route they're aware of is blocked.

- You must have your evac routes planned.
- You need to have alternative bug out routes picked out and ready to go.
- Have a topographical map of your area, too.
- Incorporate alternative routes in your emergency/evacuation/bug out plan.

5. Breaching Tools Matter

You NEED to keep moving.

- Incorporate breaching tools in your survival gear. Carry extra fuel, too.
- Lock picks and bolt cutters are good ideas.
- You need recovery equipment for getting unstuck, too. Time is of the essence.
- Pack a shovel, toe straps, and a machete.

Prepare. Train. Survive.