**FOOTHILL COMMUNITIES EXPAND EVACUATION WARNING**

The communities of MONROVIA, ARCADIA, SIERRA MADRE, BRADBURY, ALTADENA, DUARTE, PASADENA are currently under an Evacuation Warning. The Unified Incident Command of the Angeles National Forest, Los Angeles County Fire Department, Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department and cooperating agencies are coordinating public safety messages to alert residents in the foothills area below the fire to be prepared to evacuate, as there continues to be fire growth. Be advised—this is an Evacuation Warning.

Residents should have evacuation plans in place, organize their emergency evacuation supplies, and have essential evacuation personal belongings easily accessible. Vehicles should be fully fueled, facing out in their driveways and ready to leave. Please make those arrangements now.

When Incident Command and Law Enforcement decide to issue an Evacuation Order, residents should be able to quickly gather their families and pets and leave the area to designated evacuation sites, or to family and friends’ homes outside the fire area. Delaying these preparedness actions will prevent fire crews from suppression activities and compromise the safety of the public and first responders.

In addition, city officials of Arcadia and Sierra Madre have asked residents in these areas to voluntarily evacuate. Local law enforcement and fire departments have concerns about the timeframe it could take to evacuate safely and orderly. Sierra Madre and Arcadia border a common access road in their pre-identified evacuation zones. Affected residents in the voluntary evacuation area may want to consider relocating to temporary living arrangements if possible.

For more information on the areas impacted in these voluntary evacuations, Arcadia residents may call (626) 574-5463 and Sierra Madre residents may call (626)-355-1414.