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Wildfire Preparedness Focus of Emergency Preparedness Workshop September 20

Chino Hills, CA – Chino Hills residents are encouraged to attend a free Emergency Preparedness Workshop on Thursday, September 20 that will focus on wildfire preparedness. Attendees can visit various booths to gather information at 6:30 p.m. with the formal presentation starting at approximately 7:00 p.m. at the Chino Hills Community Center, 14250 Peyton Drive. At the end of the presentation, the City will distribute an essential documents clear plastic bag, and a vehicle escape tool (one per family) while supplies last. Raffle prize winners will also be announced.

According to Richard Boltinghouse, Emergency Services Coordinator, California has had a significant increase in the number of devastating wildfires in 2018, which led to wildfire preparedness being chosen as the workshop's focus. He stressed that the topic is important to the whole community, not just those who live next to open space areas.

Mr. Boltinghouse will discuss how to prepare your family and home, and how to build a "go" bag. Chino Valley Fire District will cover how to create a defensible space around the outside of the home to reduce risks, and how to prepare to evacuate when there is a fire in the community. The Chino Hills Police Department will discuss evacuation procedures and various emergency notification systems.

Informational booths include: the City of Chino Hills offering emergency preparedness information and an example of a well-stocked emergency preparedness kit; the Chino Hills Auxiliary Radio Team, volunteers who provide Ham radio communication in emergencies and offer Ham radio classes; the Chino Valley Fire District will provide hands-on CPR training; Chino Hills Police Department; and Total Resources International, a company that sells first aid kits and emergency preparedness solutions. Other booths are planned. For more information, please call (909) 364-2713.

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