



SANTA BARBARA COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT

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NEWS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

- RED FLAG WARNING -

SANTA BARBARA, Ca. June 8, 2018 – The National Weather Service has issued a Red Flag Warning for the Santa Barbara County South Coast and Mountains (zones CAZ252, CAZ239) in effect from 3 pm Saturday June 9, 2018 to 10 am Monday June 11, 2018.

A Red Flag Warning means that critical fire weather conditions are either occurring now or will shortly. A combination of strong winds, low relative humidity, and warm temperatures can create extreme fire behavior.

* Winds...North 25 to 40 mph with gusts up to 60 mph, strongest in the foothills.

* Relative Humidity...Minimums mainly from 20 to 30 percent late Saturday, then 15 to 25 percent Sunday into early Monday morning.

* Impacts...If fire ignition occurs, conditions are favorable for extreme fire behavior which would threaten life and property. Use extreme caution with potential ignition sources.

PRECAUTIONARY/PREPAREDNESS ACTIONS...

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