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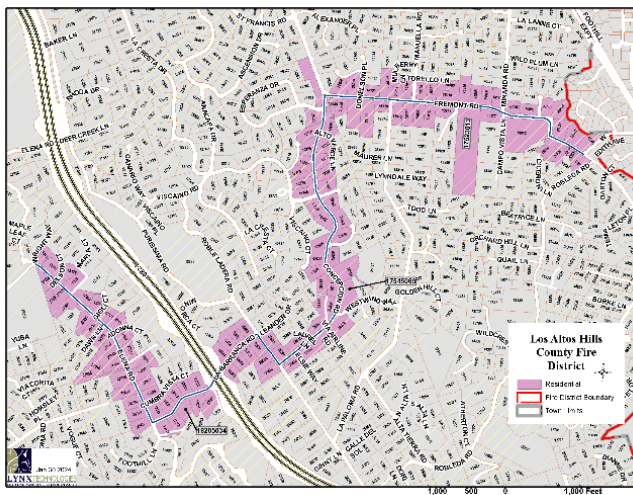
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Elena-Fremont Area Evacuation Route Project: Roadside vegetation management work begins April 29, 2024



Santa Clara County FireSafe Council and Los Altos Hills County Fire District, in collaboration with Santa Clara County Fire Department, Santa Clara County Roads & Airports, the Town of Los Altos Hills, and other partners, are providing notice about the Elena-Fremont Area Evacuation Route project.

The goals of this project are to trim woody vegetation, prune trees, clear dead material and remove roadside trash to reduce wildfire risks and impacts of weather events. This project will provide evacuation routes during a wildfire or disaster, improve visibility and travel safety, and reduce the spread of roadside fire ignition from vehicles or other sources. The hazardous vegetation removal along the roadway evacuation routes provides safer ingress and egress for first responders and the public in the event of wildfire or other disasters.



This project will treat all or portions of these roads along the evacuation route: Elena Road, La Barranca Road, Purissima Road, Concepcion Road and Fremont Roads. See Project Details below**

Traffic Information

Traffic control will be in place for the duration of the Elena-Fremont Area Evacuation Route Project. One lane will be operational, and one lane will close for vegetation management work as crews proceed through the project area. The project is scheduled for April 29, 2024, to May 10, 2024. Work will occur Mondays through Fridays, from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, and is dependent on weather conditions and holidays.

Motorists should expect delays and allow extra time for travel in these neighborhoods.

Please exercise caution when traveling in the work zone. It is imperative residents remain outside the “cone zone” at all times for the safety of residents, crews and property.

Community Meeting for Project information

To provide information, a Community Meeting, via zoom, will be held on April 8, 2024 at 7pm. Details are on the Elena-Fremont Project webpage [Elena-Fremont Evacuation Route Project \(lahcfd.org\)](http://Elena-Fremont Evacuation Route Project (lahcfd.org)) or contact Eugenia Woods, LAHCFD Programs, Planning and Grants Manager, at eugenia@lahcfd.org for additional information.

Resident Participation

Residents are encouraged to participate in the ROE (Right of Entry) opportunity to have additional brush and vegetation removed from their property that abuts the roadway during the project. Residents should look for the information packet that will be mailed to their residence or check www.lahcfd.org for additional information.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) from residents about evacuation routes are answered by the District Project Team in one minute video clips www.lahcfd.org/faqs/

The Los Altos Hills County Fire District appreciates your patience during the project implementation and your support of evacuation routes for life and property safety.

*** Project Details.**

1. The Elena Road portion of this evacuation project begins at the intersection of Elena Road and Natoma Road (37.375682, -122.152202) and ends at the intersection of Elena Road and La Barranca Road (37.369307-122.146073).
2. The La Barranca Road begins at the previous Elena Road intersection (37.369307, -122.146073) and end at Purissima Road (37.373065, -122.140897).
3. The Purissima Road portion begins at La Barranca Road intersection (37.373065, -122.140897) and ends at Concepcion Road (37.371726, -122.139783).
4. The Concepcion Road portion begins at Purissima Road (37.371726, -122.139783) and ends at Fremont Road at the entrance to the Los Altos Hill Town Hall (37.382683, -122.137696).
5. The Fremont Road portion begins at from Town Hall (37.382683,-122.137696) and ends W. Edith Avenue (37.380460, -122.124598).

The total length of the project is approximately 5.5 miles. This regionally partnered project has the added benefit of connecting safer roadways to multiple evacuation route projects completed from 2021 to 2024.

The Evacuation Route Program is linked to the I-280 Hazardous Fuel Reduction Project now in the planning phase.

<https://www.lahcfd.org/community-projects/upcoming-projects/i-280-project/>

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