



# SANTA BARBARA COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT

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## NEWS RELEASE

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## - High Fire Season Preparedness and Response Levels -

SANTA BARBARA, Ca. May 5, 2016 – On May 9, 2016 at 8:00 a.m., the Santa Barbara County Fire Department (SBCFD), in conjunction with all other local fire jurisdictions, will declare the beginning of the 2016 High Fire Season period for all areas of Santa Barbara County.

Because of this declaration, all burn permits issued for residential burning and hazard reduction will be suspended. In addition, the SBCFD will be increasing the number of resources (e.g., engines, dozers, crews, helicopters, etc.) responding to reported vegetation fires during the High Fire Season.

The SBCFD would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone who lives, works, and plays in Santa Barbara County to be extra vigilant about fire safety this fire season. Remember to maintain vegetation clearance around structures, review and be familiar with your “Ready! Set! Go!” wildfire action plan, and be extra cautious and aware when traveling or staying in the wildland areas of the county.

For more information about Ready! Set! Go! Please visit [www.sbcfire.com](http://www.sbcfire.com).

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