



# Santee Fire Department Wildfire Safety Checklist



- Remove dead grass, weeds and vegetation within 100 feet of your residence.
- Remove dead and dry leaves from your yard, roof and rain gutters.
- Remove tree branches that hang over or touch the roof of your home.
- Remove wood piles and debris piles away from your home or any structure on your property.
- Make sure your address is clearly visible from the street.
- Have a garden hose that is long enough to reach all areas of your property.
- Store gas and other flammable products away from your home.
- Consider using fire resistive fence and decking material around your property.
- Ensure that all combustible items are removed from underneath your decks.
- Remove or prune flammable plants and shrubs near windows.
- Trees should be trimmed at least 10 feet from your chimney.
- Cover your attic vents with 1/4 inch metal mesh to resist sparks or embers from interring and starting a fire. Embers can travel up to 1 mile.
- Register your phone number with Alert San Diego for reverse 911 call back.

**San Diego County is a beautiful place to live but with this beauty brings a high level of threat from wildfire. As we saw with the 2003 and 2007 wildfire seasons, a wildfire can strike at any time and in any part of the county. Santee is not immune from this threat. The following checklist will help you prepare your home from the threat of a fast moving wildfire.**



Santee Firefighters controlling a grass fire on the north side of the city.

