EMERGENCY PROCEDURES FOR CHATEAU CHAPARRAL as of August 21, 2025

1. **Sign up** to receive emergency alerts on your phone. Here's the link to Chaffee County's Everbridge system:

https://www.chaffeecounty.org/departments/sheriff/communications/everbridge.php

- 2. **Install** an app that will alert you to fires in the area. Watch Duty is excellent and is available for free for iPhone and Android phones.
- 3. **Prepare a "To Go" bag**. Basics include medications, important papers, chargers for your electronics, and water. For more information go to: https://www.ready.gov/kit
- 4. **Have a plan**. Know your evacuation route and consider destinations like a friend's home or a hotel as well as emergency shelters.
- 5. **Get Informed**. Download the **2024 South Central Homeland Security Region Safety & Emergency Preparedness** document at: https://www.chaffeecounty.org/departments/emergency management/preparedness info.php
- 6. **Inform others**. Let your family and emergency contacts know your evacuation plans.
- 7. **If a pre-evacuation** order is issued, consider leaving instead of waiting for evacuation orders.
- 8. **Stay calm**, load up your family, get your To Go bag and other essentials and leave. **DO NOT HOOK UP TRAILERS OR RVs**. Get everyone in one vehicle if possible so we can all get out as quickly and safely as possible.
- 9. IF WE ARE TOLD TO EVACUATE, PLEASE FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS BELOW.

IF FIRE OR LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL ARE ON SITE, FOLLOW THEIR INSTRUCTIONS

If our main exit is not closed and it's safe and available, all residents may exit as usual. **DO NOT** turn south onto the Private Drive as you exit, you will not be able to get to US 285.

A second "Emergency Exit" can be created by cutting the fence that runs along the west side of Idaho Street's extension north of Lot 1.

If the main road is open but time is of the essence, residents south of Texas should exit via the main road while residents north of Texas should exit via the Emergency Exit.

If the main road is closed, everyone will have to leave via the Emergency Exit. SEE PROCEDURES ON NEXT PAGE.

EMERGENCY EXIT PROCEDURES

Proceed north on Idaho to the northwest corner of the park. Just past the second sign for Indiana, there's a utility pole. Nestled in the large rocks near the pole is a tool box marked "Property of CCOA". It contains bolt cutters, gloves, and instructions.

Along the barbed wire fence just north of the tool box is a T-post marked with yellow paint and a second marked T-post beyond that. Carefully cut the fence between the two T-posts. **TAKE THE BOLT CUTTERS WITH YOU**. Drive west across the field, cut the fence and turn right onto the dirt "road" running along this side of the railroad tracks. Drive north approximately ½ mile until you reach a road that crosses the tracks. Turn left, then right towards CR 198.

Here are some photos to help you find the tool box location.

Large rocks hiding the tool box



Tool box with bolt cutters



Section with marked T-posts

