

THE LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT

NEWS

LAFD DECLARES RED FLAG ALERT ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2017

Monday, October 23, 2017

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LOS ANGELES - As a result of the extremely hot and dry conditions forecast for the City of Los Angeles on Tuesday, October 24, 2017, the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) is declaring a citywide Red Flag Alert. The predicted weather, combined with extremely dry fuel conditions will lead to extreme fire danger in the City's brush areas. This is the first time the LAFD has declared a Red Flag Alert in the City since May 2014.

Beginning at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 24, all vehicles parked illegally in posted locations within the **Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones** will be towed by the City. The No Parking restrictions will remain in effect for at least 24 hours.

The LAFD will re-evaluate weather conditions during the day Tuesday to determine if the Red Flag Alert will be extended. For more information on City Red Flag alerts, please visit https://notify.lafd.org/redflag/

In addition to keeping affected City streets clear of parked vehicles, we ask residents and visitors in brush areas to do the following:

- · Report any signs of smoke immediately by calling 911
- · Use extreme caution when operating spark or flame producing machinery in grass or brush areas
- · Have an evacuation plan in place and identify two exit routes from your area—if you are told to evacuate by fire or police officials, please do so immediately
- · Report any suspicious activity to law enforcement

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