

Strengthening fire readiness



EBMUD conducts log burns to safely reduce watershed wildfire risk.

Emergency preparedness is critical to providing essential water and wastewater services to our community. EBMUD works year-round to protect people, water quality, the environment and property. That starts with planning ahead to minimize risks and improve our readiness to respond.

During these late summer months, dry conditions remind us to be especially vigilant of wildfire danger.

Municipal water systems are not designed to fight wind-driven wildfires, and such a scenario would require an interagency response. EBMUD coordinates with city and county agencies, fire departments, and other partners. We reduce risk through vegetation management and fire road maintenance on our watershed and hydrant testing throughout our service area.

We top off neighborhood reservoirs on red flag days to ensure firefighters have access to maximum water supplies. Back-up electrical generators are installed at major facilities, and we proactively deploy mobile generators and portable pumps to other sites when power shutoffs are anticipated or blackouts occur.

EBMUD prepares throughout the year so we'll be ready to serve when you need us most. Learn more at ebmud.com/wildfire-preparedness.

EBMUD's annual wildfire preparedness, by the numbers:

17

Meetings with fire departments, partner agencies and elected officials*

150

Miles of fire roads maintained

200

Acres of vegetation maintained with mechanical treatments

10,000

Watershed acres grazed by cattle, sheep, goats and horses

26,000

Acres of Mokelumne River Watershed actively under restoration

31,000

Public fire hydrants in EBMUD's service area

24/7/365

When EBMUD operators monitor our system storage and water pressure

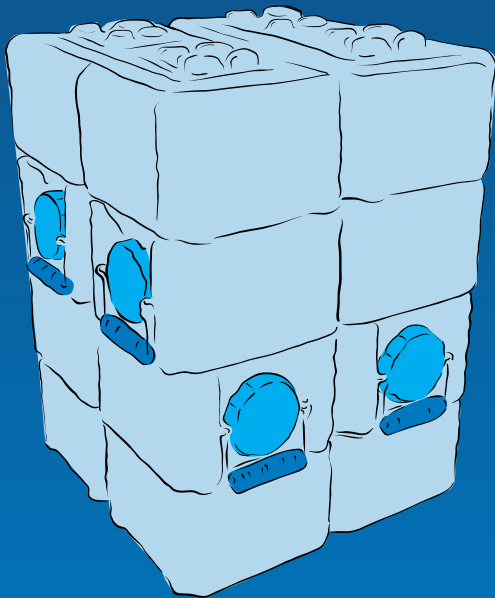
*so far in 2025

Be ready for emergencies and sign up for safety alerts.

EBMUD: ebmud.com/subscriptions | Alameda County: ACAAlert.org | Contra Costa County: CWSAlerts.com/registration

ACT NOW TO PREPARE FOR EMERGENCIES

Personal emergency preparedness helps you and your loved ones stay safe and minimize risks during unexpected events at home, at work or while traveling. Having a plan, supplies and awareness ensures you will be able to respond quickly to natural disasters or accidents.



Take action today.

Learn more at ebmud.com/emergency-preparedness.

You can take several steps to support your personal safety and the well-being of others. Start with what you can manage now and build from there.

Sign up for public safety alerts from EBMUD and your county

See page 1 for web addresses.



Download the **MyShake** app for earthquake warnings and the **Watch Duty** app for wildfire alerts.



Store emergency water

We recommend two gallons per person per day for at least a week, plus more for pets.



Water is heavy. Five-gallon storage bricks (at left) are easier to move than a barrel.



Prepare go-bags with essentials

Non-perishable food, water, first-aid kit, medicines, eyeglasses, backup phone battery, flashlight, multitool, etc.



Keep basic supplies in a vehicle trunk for emergencies on the move.



Create family evacuation and communication plans

Coordinate evacuation routes, meeting points and emergency contacts.



Find recommendations at ready.gov.



Learn first aid and CPR



Register for classes at redcross.org and explore Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training where you live.



Know how to shut off the natural gas line to your residence

The shutoff valve is normally near your gas meter on the front or side of your home.



Learn more at pge.com.



Coordinate with neighbors

Mutual assistance can be invaluable in an emergency.



Assess skills and resources among neighbors. Do you know a police officer, a medical professional, a mechanic? What about the neighbor who seems to have every tool you could think of in their garage?



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EBMUD Mission Statement

To manage the natural resources with which the District is entrusted; to provide reliable, high-quality water and wastewater services at fair and reasonable rates for the people of the East Bay; and to preserve and protect the environment for future generations.

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