

# Structure Triage

## Address/Property Name

- Numerical street address, ranch name, etc.
- Residents on site?

## Road Access

- Paved, gravel, dirt?
- Number of lanes, vegetation clearance, defensible space, safety zones?
- Undercarriage problems, 4x4 only?
- Turnouts, turnarounds?
- Bridges—adequate support structure?
- Water Crossings—approach angle, crossing surface?
- Terrain—road slope, position on slope, near chimneys, saddles, canyon bottom?
- Grade—greater or less than 15 percent?

## Structure/Building

- Single residence, multiple occupancy, barn, fuel storage, unknown storage?
- What materials is the structure made of? Roof (wood shake, asphalt, etc.) Exterior walls (stucco, wood shake, or other combustibles).
- Eaves—covered and little overhang; exposed with large overhang exposure?
- Other—exposed wooden structural elements, overhangs slope, attached wood deck, firewood piles, wooden patio furniture, wooden fences attached to house.
- Underground utilities, septic, power, etc.

## Clearances/Exposures/Defensible Space

- 100' vegetation clearance, max. 18" high, 15 percent or less slope, good ground clearance, vegetation is low combustible type, or is clearance less than described?
- Is the predominant fuel bed in area surrounding structure is light, medium, heavy, continuous, non-continuous?
- What types of hazards and fuels are adjacent to the structure?
- Are there high voltage lines or transformers near apparatus placement areas?
- Is the structure located on narrow ridge, knoll, narrow canyon, chimney, mid-slope; defensible space less than 200 feet?
- Are there propane and above ground fuel tanks with nearby vegetation?

## Hazardous Materials

- Pesticides, herbicides, DOT/NFPA/UN symbols, propane, oil, fuels, paints?

## Available Water

- Is there a water source such as hydrants or standpipes, water storage tanks with valve, swimming pools or natural bodies of water with access?

## Evacuation Needs

- Coordination with local law enforcement and emergency services personnel? Evacuation plans, staging areas, resources needed, and communication.

## Estimated Resources for Protection

- Number and types of engines, water tenders, crews, dozers, heavy equipment, and aviation resources.