



**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FIRES
ADVISORY NO. 3
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The Philippine Consulate General informs all Filipinos and Filipino-Americans that based on information from the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection in San Diego, another fire called Lilac Fire broke out in San Diego this morning affecting 500 acres within the area bound by West Lilac Road, I-15, Camino del Rey and Mission Road.

The fire dubbed Lilac Fire spurred mandatory evacuations in the area of W. Lilac Rd. & Sullivan Middle School. Evacuation warnings are in effect for North of Pala Rd. South of Reche Rd. West of I-15 Freeway East of Green Canyon Rd. & W. Mission Rd. in San Diego, California.

The fire is growing at a dangerous rate of spread with 1, 000 structures threatened. Five structures have been destroyed & an unknown amount have been damaged. Highway 76 is closed in both directions

As earlier reported today, strong Santa Ana winds with predictions of wind gusts between 50-70 mph and humid conditions in Southern California predicts the worst possible conditions for developing fires. In the Santa Ana Wildfire Threat Index, San Diego's threat level is at EXTREME where upon ignition, fires will have extreme growth, will burn very intensely, and will be uncontrollable.

The Philippine Consulate General is actively coordinating with San Diego Honorary Consul Audie De Castro, government officials and Filipino-American communities in San Diego in obtaining situation reports on the Lilac Fire.

The Philippine Consulate General reminds all kababayans in San Diego to undertake all necessary precautions and take heed of the warning and orders of local authorities.

For the Lilac Fire, list of the areas ordered for mandatory and voluntary evacuations, shelters, school closures and road closures, can be found at the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection. For updates on the Lilac Fire, please check the Twitter Feed of the CAL Fire San Diego <https://twitter.com/CALFIRESANDIEGO>

In case of a life-threatening emergency, please call 9-1-1 immediately. For any assistance, the Philippine Consulate General may be reached at its emergency hotline: 1 (213) 268-9990 or ATN hotline at 1 (213) 587-0758. **END**