Evacuation and Transportation Resiliency Study
Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Placer County Evacuation and Transportation Resiliency Study?

Placer County Transportation Planning Agency (PCTPA), in collaboration with Placer County Office of Emergency Services (OES), is undertaking an Evacuation and Transportation Resiliency Study. The goal of this study is to improve emergency evacuation and resilience of Placer County's transportation network in the event of a fire, flood, or extreme weather. It will identify vulnerable communities, determine the risks from wildfires and other natural disasters, and recommend improvements and strategies to better protect residents during evacuation.

Who is leading this effort?

PCTPA and Placer County OES are leading the study and collaborating closely with the public and with a Project Development Team (PDT) which includes partner agencies, organizations, and jurisdictions from across Placer County.

Why is this study needed?

Placer County has seen an uptick in wildfires, landslides, and extreme weather in recent years, and these risks are only expected to become more frequent. As the Placer region continues to grow and develop, it is critical to work towards achieving a strong, safe, and efficient evacuation system. Not only will the Evacuation and Transportation Resiliency Study identify solutions to address gaps in key evacuation routes and roadways, but it will also allow PCTPA and the County to secure necessary funding to address these risks and barriers.

How is the study funded and when will it be completed?

In July 2024, PCTPA received a State Climate Adaptation Program planning grant from Caltrans. Placer County OES also matched funds for the grant.

The study kicked off in June 2025 and is estimated to be completed by the end of 2026.

How can I get involved?

Collaboration with the community will lead to a successful study! We encourage you to participate by taking an online survey, signing up for email updates, or attending a future workshop. Stay up to date by visiting: dks-engage.com/placerco-evacplan