



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **Thomas Fire Updates Available in Spanish**

**SANTA BARBARA, CA** – 12/12/17 – As the Thomas fire continues and portions of the city remain under voluntary and mandatory evacuation orders, the City wants all residents to get prompt and up-to-date information vital to their safety. There are a variety of reliable resources for Spanish-speaking residents seeking updates on the fire. The following are links to various federal, state, and county agencies that provide fire-related information in Spanish.

The Santa Barbara Police and Fire departments have begun to jointly deliver fire updates in Spanish on the city's YouTube site. To view the latest update visit:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iDY0xsGa6NY&feature=youtu.be>

The county of Santa Barbara posts regular updates about the fire several times a day. They also list the evacuation perimeters, and air quality updates. Visit:

<http://www.countyofsb.org/thomasfirespanish.sbc#update>

The Governor's Office of Emergency Services offers information like the location of various assistance centers, where to pick up N95 masks, and tips on preparing for evacuation, along with details about the various fires burning in the state. Visit: <http://www.caloes.ca.gov/ICESite/Pages/Incendios-de-Diciembre-de-2017.aspx>

The California Wildfires Statewide Recovery Resources provides valuable information on getting financial help and recovery assistance from various sources, like state and federal agencies.

<http://wildfirerecovery.org/services/targeted-demographics/espanol/>

Spanish language video updates are also posted twice a day, at 9:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. on the Ventura County Fire Facebook and Twitter pages at

<http://www.Facebook.com/venturacountyfire>

[http://www.Twitter.com/VCFD\\_PIO](http://www.Twitter.com/VCFD_PIO)

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