CalFire introduces wildfire app for alerts, preparation

CalFire's Ready for Wildfire app is a tool that puts a library of step-by-step checklists in the palm of the user's hand.

It allows homeowners to track their progress while creating defensible space, hardening their homes with fire-resistant construction, assembling an emergency supply kit and creating a family communication and evacuation plan. App users, with the tap of a finger, can check off each step and see their progress as they reach.

While being a great educational tool, the Ready for Wildfire app also provides critical wildfire alerts. Users can sign-up for customized alerts that will send a text or push notification to their device when a CalFire is responding or assisting to a wildfire in their area. Additionally, users can set up alerts for single counties, multiple counties, or statewide. The app lets users enable an alert system to notify them if a wildfire is reported within 30 miles of their device.