

## **8100 PROCEDURE 822**

### **Area Closure and/or Evacuation**

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[\(See Policy 7729 - Closure of Public Roads\)](#)

Area closures and/or evacuations at incidents are to follow the incident chain of command to communicate closure and/or evacuation needs. Significant evacuations and/or closures that affect resource response or resource allocations should be communicated appropriately to the Duty Chief/Officer Chain of Command and cooperating agencies.

### **Responsibilities and Action**

#### **Any CC**

1. Record request to close or evacuate an area.
2. Request responsible law enforcement agency(s) to implement closures and/or evacuations. Provide the following information:
  - a. Reason for closure and/or evacuation.
  - b. Geographic boundaries of the closure and/or evacuation area.
  - c. Time when closure and/or evacuation is needed.
  - d. Contact phone number of overhead requesting closure and/or evacuation.
  - e. Location of Incident Command Post to coordinate with command staff.
3. If the responsible law enforcement agency is unable to initiate the closure and/or evacuation in by the requested timeframe, CAL FIRE peace officers shall exercise their authority to implement closure and/or evacuation. (Request that the responsible agency take over the closure as soon as possible.)
4. Notify the responsible law enforcement agencies when normal traffic and/or repopulation of evacuation area may commence.

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