

Yakima Valley

Emergency Management

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NEWS RELEASE

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Yakima County, WA - Evacuation update for the Retreat fire on Highway 12. All evacuation orders will be removed as of 8:00 am Friday, August 16th, 2024. Residents will be allowed through the Highway 12 road closure to make access to their property with proper proof of residency.

Reminder that State and Forest lands are still in a closed status until further notice.

Highway 12 is anticipated to open in the coming days. Washington State Department of Transportation has crews working to reopen the road. There will be areas that will have reduced speed and traffic controls where road work is being done. For road opening information please visit the Washington DOT website at <u>Travel Center Map | WSDOT</u>.

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