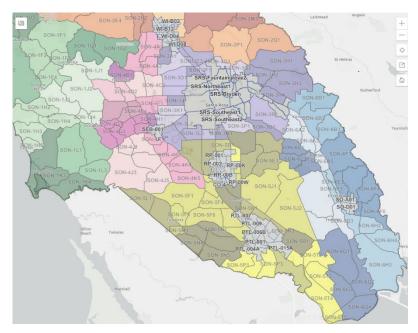
## **Know Your Zone Facts**



Partial map of County Zones

Sonoma County and its City and Special District Partners have developed standard evacuation zones for all areas within the County. When receiving Alerts via cell phone, land line, email, etc. the number/name of the Zone's affected will be included in the message to make it easy for individuals to determine if their location is included in the warning information.

Community members can find their zone by going to <a href="https://socoemergency.org/get-ready/evacuation-map/">https://socoemergency.org/get-ready/evacuation-map/</a>. Community members who need assistance to find their zone can call 211 for help. All community members are encouraged to learn their zones for work, home, and school and write them done for easy reference in an emergency.

Development of standardized zones was a project that was born from community response from previous disasters. Prior to Summer 2020 zones were developed based on the incident, with the zone closest to the problem being zone 1 and numbers working out from there. Zones were different with each incident and community members communicated this was confusing and problematic. Web pages were often heavily impacted and looking up your Zone during an evacuation was difficult and relied on a degree of connectivity.

Standardized Zones allows community members to know their Zone designation in advance so they are not dependent on internet or cell phone access to confirm if they are in a zone that is requiring action by community. Zones can be used for a variety of Alerts including Evacuation Warnings and Orders, and Shelter-in-Place Orders.