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**THOMAS FIRE PRESS RELEASE from VENTURA COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES**

[CAMARILLO, CA]: Ventura County Animal Services (VCAS) will be closed today (12/5) and tomorrow (12/6) to the general public for adoptions. Both the Simi Valley Animal Shelter and the Camarillo Animal Shelter are, however, open for those bringing in stray pets that have been found or for those reclaiming their lost pets.

Our Camarillo Animal Shelter (600 Aviation Drive) will be open for animals being evacuated due to the Thomas Fire.

If you are in an evacuation area, and have large animals (horses, livestock), transport them to the Earl Warren Showground (3400 Calle Real, Santa Barbara, CA 93105).

About Ventura County Animal Services
Ventura County Animal Services (VCAS) operates two shelters within the county. The large main shelter in Camarillo houses over 400 pets and the administrative offices. Our smaller facility in Simi Valley houses nearly 40 pets at a time.

Each year, Ventura County Animal Services cares for more than 10,000 animals. Our goal is to reunite lost pets with their owners and find life-long homes for as many animals as possible, while providing proper care during their stay.

Ventura County Animal Services provides contract services for eight cities within our community: Camarillo, Fillmore, Moorpark, Ojai, Oxnard, Port Hueneme, Simi Valley and Ventura. VCAS enforces local ordinances and state laws within our service areas, including animal cruelty/neglect investigations, leash law compliance, rabies suppression efforts and providing medical care for sick and injured animals.