



CALDOR FIRE

Daily Update



Thursday, October 14, 2021 – 9:00 a.m.

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Summary: An interior pocket of trees located within the old Caples Fire scar burned over the previous days, resulting in an increase of 22 acres. “We expect to see minor increases in acreage as isolated pockets of unburned vegetation dries out and burns,” said Incident Commander Knudson. While low to moderate fire behavior is expected to continue until a season-ending event, repair work remains the main objective. “We are working as quickly, efficiently, and safely as possible to get as much done before potential weather systems move in.”

Fire personnel are focusing on repairing approximately 380 miles of line and 906 isolated areas affected by suppression operations. As of yesterday evening, crews had repaired 166 miles of line and 208 sites.

Grading and repair work was completed on road 9N30 (Capps Crossing) near the Grizzly Flats area. Additional road grading and mastication will occur where needed, with a focus on road 9N22. Crews are working north and south along the Mormon Emigrant Trail (MET) removing hazardous trees. As weather conditions improve and roads dry out, crews will access additional areas and begin working in coordination with advice from forest resource advisors.

Firefighters continue to patrol and mop up hot spots and respond to smoke reports.

Weather | Anticipated Fire Behavior: Winds remained light yesterday, with temperatures rising into the upper 50s later in the afternoon. As a high-pressure system moves into the area, warmer and dryer conditions are expected to increase. A storm system is anticipated late in the weekend but not expected to bring much precipitation. Residual heat remains on the landscape, largely a result of persisting drought conditions. Fire activity is likely to climb as temperatures increase.

Closures: Road and area closures along with fire restrictions are in effect throughout many areas of the Eldorado National Forest and Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit. The public is urged to check closures prior to travel.

Quick Facts	
Fire Location	Southeast of Placerville, CA along US 50 to South Lake Tahoe
Approximate Acreage	221,798 Acres
Containment	98%
Repair Completed	43% line construction (ex: dozers & hand lines) 23% isolated areas (ex: water pumps, staging)
Start Date	8/14/2021
Cause	Under Investigation
Incident Commander	Jeff Knudson, Great Basin Type 2 Incident Management Team #7
Total Personnel	917
Online Links	
Inciweb: https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7801/	
Facebook: @EldoradoNF @LakeTahoeUSFS	
Twitter: @EldoradoNF @LakeTahoeUSFS	
ELDORADO NATIONAL FOREST:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forest Order 03-21-18 - Area, Road, and Trail Closure • Forest Order 03-21-16 - Fire Restrictions • Forest Order 03-21-17 - Camping Prohibition 	
LAKE TAHOE BASIN MANAGEMENT UNIT (LTBMU):	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forest Order 19-21-06 –Emergency Closure • Forest Order 19-21-07 – Backcountry Closure • Forest Order 19-21-01 – Fire Restrictions 	

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