



# CALDOR FIRE INCIDENT UPDATE

Date: 9/17/2021 Time: 9:00 a.m.



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Incident Websites: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7801>

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El Dorado County Evacuation Map: <https://tinyurl.com/EDSOEvacMap>

## INCIDENT FACTS

Incident Start Date: August 14, 2021				Incident Start Time: 6:54 P.M.				
Incident Type: Wildland Fire				Cause: Under Investigation				
Incident Location: 2 miles east of Omo Ranch, 4 miles south of the community of Grizzly Flats								
Size:	218,857	Containment:	71%	Expected Full Containment:		September 27, 2021		
First Responder Fatalities:		0		First Responder Injuries:		16		
Civilian Fatalities:		0		Civilian Injuries:		2		
Structures Threatened:		4,762		Structures Damaged:		81		
Single Residences Destroyed:		782	Commercial Properties Destroyed:		18	Other Minor Structures Destroyed:		203

## ASSIGNED RESOURCES

Engines:	144	Water Tenders:	45	Helicopters:	14	Hand Crews:	46	Dozers:	24
Other:		25		Total Personnel:			2,702		
Air Tankers:	Numerous firefighting air tankers from throughout the state are flying fire suppression missions as conditions allow.								

## CURRENT SITUATION

### Incident Information:



As of 7:00 a.m. today, command of the Caldor Fire has been transitioned to a single Incident Management Team - California Interagency Incident Management Team 12, Michael Nobles as Incident Commander. The West and East Zones of the fire have been consolidated into one and CALFIRE Amador Unit is a cooperating agency, providing a Type 3 organization to manage the State land jurisdiction of the fire.

Active fire suppression efforts are ongoing. While containment continues to increase there are still many areas that continue to burn. We will continue to work on the Desolation Wilderness, Echo Lake, Lake Margaret, Caples Creek, and around the Kirkwood Ski Resort as well as other areas where fire remains present. These efforts will continue until full containment is achieved.

Weather will be a challenge for firefighters over the next couple of days as we enter a Fire Weather Watch on Saturday. Winds over the fire will begin to increase today with ridgetop winds from 13-18 MPH and 20-25 MPH tomorrow with gusts up to 35 MPH.

While repopulation has begun there are still roads and areas that remain closed for firefighter and public safety. We are working with local utilities such as PG&E which has identified more than 17,000 hazard trees that need to be taken down before to help ensure the roads are safe to travel. A portion of Highway 50 remains closed between

	Kyburz and Myers for public safety. Several personnel are working along the highway falling hazard trees and repairing infrastructure, such as power and phone lines.
<b>USFS FOREST INFORMATION</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>El Dorado National Forest:</b> The Eldorado National Forest forest-wide closure (03-21-14) remains in effect until September 30. Access and orders will be refined over time. MORE: <a href="https://www.fs.usda.gov/eldorado/">https://www.fs.usda.gov/eldorado/</a></li> <li>• <b>LTBMU:</b> The Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit closure order (19-21-05) remains in effect for the following backcountry areas: Desolation Wilderness, Meiss Country, Barker Pass and McKinney/Rubicon through Sep. 19, 2021. Access and orders will be refined over time. MORE: <a href="https://www.fs.usda.gov/ltbmu/">https://www.fs.usda.gov/ltbmu/</a></li> </ul>
<b>EVACUATIONS AMADOR COUNTY</b>	<p><b><u>AMADOR COUNTY – WARNINGS</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>ZONE 4A-</b> South of Highway 88 along the Amador/El Dorado County Line from Dufrene Road, north of the line due East from Dufrene Road to the Amador/Alpine County Line, west of the line due south from Highway 88 to the east end of Salt Springs Reservoir.</li> <li>• <b>ZONE 5A-</b> South of Highway 88 along the Amador/El Dorado County Line, north of the line due east from Dufrene Road to the Amador/Alpine County Line, east of the line due south from Highway 88 to the east end of Salt Springs Reservoir, west of the Amador/Alpine County Line.</li> </ul> <p>View the interactive evacuation map here: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/AmadorEvac">https://tinyurl.com/AmadorEvac</a></p>
<b>EVACUATION WARNINGS LIFTED AMADOR COUNTY</b>	<p><b>As of 4:00 PM Thursday, September 16, 2021</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>ZONE 4B-</b> South of Dufrene Road due east to the Amador/Alpine County Line, north of the Amador/Calaveras County Line, west of Panther Creek Road, east of the line due south from Highway 88 to the east end of the Salt Springs Reservoir</li> <li>• <b>ZONE 5B-</b> South of Dufrene Road due east to the Amador/Alpine County Line, north of the Amador/Calaveras County Line, west of the Amador/Alpine County Line, East of the line due south from Highway 88 to the east end of the Salt Springs Reservoir.</li> </ul>
<b>EVACUATIONS EL DORADO COUNTY</b>	<p><b><u>EL DORADO COUNTY – ORDERS</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>CAPLES CREEK</b> - This section is south of Highway 50 east of Kyburz up to 41 Milestone Tract and south all the way to Highway 88 between 1 mile east of Mormon Emigrant Trail up to Caples Lake following the County Line.</li> <li>• <b>DESOLATION</b> - This section extends south of the Placer County Line in the area of the Rubicon Trail between Spider Lake and Sourdough Hill and extends south into Desolation Wilderness all the way to Highway 50 to include the areas of Rockbound Lake, Rubicon Reservoir, Highland Lake, Horseshoe Lake, Schmidell Lake and Twin Lakes south to Highway 50 between Wrights Lake Road and Twin Bridges. The eastern edge of this area is in line with Clyde Lake and Pyramid Lake.</li> <li>• <b>DESOLATION EAST</b> - The area north of Echo Lake, following the Desolation Wilderness north staying west of Fallen Leaf Lake, Cascade Lake and Emerald Bay up to the Placer County Line</li> <li>• <b>DESOLATION NORTH</b> - This is the area of Desolation Wilderness south of the Placer County Line extending to Emerald Bay but staying within Desolation Wilderness.</li> <li>• <b>GRIZZLY FLAT PROPER</b> - The community of Grizzly Flats remains closed, with access via permit only. South of the intersection of Cosumnes Mine Road and Sciaroni Road,</li> </ul>

	<p>north and east of the intersection of Grizzly Flat Road and Blue Mountain Road, west of the intersection of Capps Crossing Road and Cypress Point Drive.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>HEAVENLY</b> - The entire Heavenly property and lands, extending northeast to the Alpine County Line and to the Nevada State line.</li> <li>• <b>HELL HOLE</b> - Northeast of Highway 89, west of the Alpine County line, and south of Tahoe Paradise Golf Course.</li> <li>• <b>NORTH ECHO</b> - North of Highway 50 between Twin Bridges and Echo Summit, extending to the north just past Upper Echo Lake.</li> <li>• <b>SOUTH ECHO</b> - South of Highway 50 starting at Camp Sacramento to the top of Echo Summit then proceeding due south to the Alpine County Line.</li> <li>• <b>TRIMMER</b> - The area east of Pioneer Trail to the Alpine County Line stopping south of Heavenly Ski Resort, excluding all residences off Pioneer Trail.</li> </ul> <p><b>EL DORADO COUNTY – WARNINGS:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>MEYERS</b> - All residences in Meyers north of Highway 89 and east of Highway 50 to include all streets accessed from Apache, Mandan, following Pioneer Trail northeast just past Elks Club.</li> <li>• <b>Crystal Basin B:</b> From Ice House Road east to the border of desolation wilderness and from the Placer County line, south to Granite Springs Road and the area south of Granite Springs Road to Highway 50 at Wrights Lake Road</li> <li>• <b>FALLEN LEAF C</b> - The area of Fallen Leaf Road from Tahoe Mountain Road into the end of Fallen Leaf Road. The privately owned residences are open to be occupied under this warning. The US Forest Service permitted residences must get an exemption permit from the US Forest Service prior to returning and that will likely be in the form of a day pass only.</li> <li>• <b>CHRISTMAS VALLEY</b> - All residences accessed from Highway 89 south of Highway 50 in Meyers through Christmas Valley and including all of South Upper Truckee.</li> <li>• <b>US 50 SOUTH TO KYBURZ</b> - South of Highway 50 from Ice House Road to Silver Fork Road, to include the community of Kyburz, excluding the area south of the south fork of the American River. East of Mormon Emigrant Trail to Highway 88.</li> <li>• <b>MET TO HWY 88</b> - South of Mormon Emigrant Trail to Highway 88. West on Highway 88 to Hams Station.</li> <li>• <b>SLY TO 36 MILESTONE</b></li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;">View the interactive evacuation zone and road closure map here:  <a href="https://tinyurl.com/ElDoradoEvac">https://tinyurl.com/ElDoradoEvac</a></p>
<p><b>EVACUATION WARNINGS LIFTED EL DORADO COUNTY</b></p>	<p><b>As of 4:00 PM Thursday, September 16, 2021</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>CALDOR</b> - East of North South Road, West of Service Road 09N78A, north of the MiddleFork of the Cosumnes River, south of Caldor</li> <li>• <b>GREATER GRIZZLY EAST</b> - South of Mormon Emigrant Trail, west of North South Road, north of Omo Ranch Road, east of the intersection of Omo Ranch and Slug Gulch Road, south of the Community of Blue Mountain, east of the intersection of Capps Crossing Road and Cypress Point Road. <b>NOT INCLUDING GRIZZLY FLATS PROPER.</b></li> <li>• <b>PI PI</b> - East of North South Road from Omo Ranch to Cat Creek and east to Highway 88 1 mile east of Omo Ranch Road.</li> <li>• <b>SOUTHEAST POLLOCK</b> - North of Park Creek Road to Highway 50, east Fresh Pond to Ice House Road. Due south from Ice House to the intersection of Mormon Emigrant Trail Intersection and west along Mormon Emigrant Trail Intersection to the Park</li> </ul>

	CreekMormon Emigrant Trail Intersection.
<b>EVACUATIONS ALPINE COUNTY</b>	<b><u>ALPINE EVACUATION WARNINGS:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>21A</b> – Highway 89 at Pickett’s Junction west to the Alpine/El Dorado County Line</li> <li>• <b>Zone 22A</b> – Pickett’s Junction Northeast to Fay Luther Canyon <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Horse Thief Canyon to Fay Luther Canyon</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <b>View the interactive evacuation map here: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/AlpineEvac">https://tinyurl.com/AlpineEvac</a></b>
<b>EVACUATION WARNINGS LIFTED ALPINE COUNTY</b>	<b>As of 4:00 PM Thursday, September 16, 2021</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>ZONE 19</b> - Highway 88 Pickett’s Junction south to Kirkwood and the Alpine/Amador County line.</li> <li>• <b>ZONE 20</b> - Wilderness and forested areas south of 88 and west of Blue Lakes.</li> </ul>
<b>COOPERATING AGENCIES</b>	
Alpine County Sheriff's Department, Amador County Sheriff's Office, AT&T, Barton Health, Cal EMSA, Cal Guard, Cal OES Fire, Cal Trans, Campora, Carson City BLM, CCC, CDCR, CHP, Douglas County Sheriff's Office, El Dorado County Dept of Agriculture, El Dorado County Dept of Planning and Building, El Dorado County DOT, El Dorado County EMSA, El Dorado County Fire, El Dorado County OES, El Dorado County Office of Education, El Dorado County Sheriff's Office, El Dorado Hills FD, El Dorado Irrigation District, Fallen Leaf CSD Fire Department, Grizzly Flats Community Services District, Heavenly Ski Resort, Kirkwood Mountain Resort, Liberty Utilities, Marshall Medical Center, Mosquito Fire Department, Nevada Department of Emergency Management, Nevada Department of Public Safety, Nevada Department of Transportation, Nevada Division of Emergency Management, Nevada Division of Forestry, Nevada Highway Patrol, North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District, North Tahoe Fire Protection District, NV Energy, Paragon Gaming LLC, PG&E, Pioneer FD, Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians FD, Sierra-at-Tahoe, SMUD, South Lake Tahoe EOC, South Lake Tahoe Fire Department, South Lake Tahoe Police Department, South Lake Tahoe Public Utility, District, SWRCB, Tahoe Douglas Fire Protection District, Verizon, Volcano Telephone, Washoe Emergency Operations Center, Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California.	

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