



DIXIE FIRE INCIDENT UPDATE

Date: 09/10/2021 Time: 7:00 a.m.



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West Zone Information Line: (530) 592-0838
East Zone Information Line: (530) 289-6735
Media Line: (530) 588-0845
Incident Website: www.fire.ca.gov
Email Sign-Up: tinyurl.com/dbdhsfd3

INCIDENT FACTS

Incident Start Date: 7/13/2021		Incident Start Time: 5:15 p.m.	
Incident Type: Vegetation		Cause: Under Investigation	
Incident Location: Feather River Canyon near Cresta Powerhouse			
CAL FIRE Unit: Butte, Lassen-Modoc, Tehama			
Unified Command Agencies: CAL FIRE, United States Forest Service, National Park Service			
Size: 950,591 acres	Containment: 59%	Expected Full Containment: TBD	
First Responder Fatalities: 1*		First Responder Injuries: 3	
Civilian Fatalities: 0		Civilian Injuries: 0	
Structures Threatened: 2,294	Single Residences Destroyed: 728		Single Residences Damaged: 52
	Multiple Residences Destroyed: 8		Multiple Residences Damaged: 4
	Non-residential Commercial Destroyed: 139		Non-residential Commercial Damaged: 10
	Other Minor Structures Destroyed: 446		Other Minor Structures Damaged: 29
Total Destroyed: 1,329	Mixed Commercial/Residential Destroyed: 8		Mixed Commercial/Residential Damaged: 0
Total Damaged: 95			

CURRENT SITUATION

Current Evacuation Status: <https://tinyurl.com/2whbc9xn>

Current Situation



Dixie Fire West Zone: Overnight the cold front continued to move in building cumulus which created changing winds. After the storm passed, the winds increased and continued to push the fire to the northeast on top of the Hat Creek Rim. The fire below the rim continued to the north along the valley below the rim moving towards the community of Hat Creek. The fire burned actively with crown runs at rapid rates of speed. This area is the number one priority of the management team. Additional hand crews and engines have been moved into the area and are continuing to aggressively build and reinforce lines to protect the communities of Hat Creek and Old Station.

Incident Videos



Efforts in the northern regions of the fire have been enhanced using the Burlington Northern Santa Fe fire train. The train can deliver 30,000 gallons of water, per load, to fill water tenders, allowing for a faster return to the fire. Firefighting forces in the branch were reinforced by the addition of troops from the California National Guard.

Current Situation

As the area of Lake Almanor has been repopulated, service calls continue to come in, as expected. Residents have been reporting smoke from smoldering vegetation.

In the Janesville and Milford area, high winds blew off the escarpment last night with gusts and some rain. Winds are expected to continue through the evening. The potential for increased fire activity in the unburned area between the fire and the Walker Burn scar is high. West Zone crews are working cooperatively with the East Zone crews up to the escarpment, mopping up and strengthening the line to keep the fire south of Janesville and Milford.

Resources in the Lassen Volcanic National Park continue to use fire retardant, mechanical equipment and all firefighting resources and techniques available to complete line in the steep and rugged terrain and extinguish the fire.

A cold front that passed overnight is still producing isolated thunderstorms and showers midday and then will begin to decrease this afternoon. Winds will taper off this evening, but some gusts are still expected.

A Red Flag Warning is still in effect for thunderstorms and frontal winds today. The forecast is for overnight winds from the southwest 25-30 MPH with gusts up to 40 mph in this morning and will decrease to 10-20 mph with gusts up to 30 mph this afternoon

Residents will see smoke coming from trees and stumps for days following their return. Proceed with caution, burned out areas may have unseen hazards. Residents are encouraged to call 911 if they are concerned about any active flames near their homes or businesses. Damage assessment is ongoing. The changing count of threatened structures in the update is due to changes in fire status and the evacuation warnings in Lassen, Plumas and Shasta County.

***A firefighter assigned to the Dixie incident passed away, due to an illness on September 2.**

Dixie Fire East Zone: The Great Basin Incident Management Team 1 is timing out, and transfer of command will occur tomorrow morning at 7 AM. California Interagency Incident Management Team 1, led by Incident Commander Jerry McGowan, returns following their previous tour in August. We would like to welcome their team back to the East Zone of the Dixie Fire. We want to thank the wonderful community here in Plumas County for your appreciation, support, and hospitality.

The National Weather Service in Reno continued a Red Flag Warning for the fire area through tonight at 1100 PM. Critical fire weather conditions are expected, with low humidity and gusty southwest winds increasing through most of the day. Light rain fell overnight, with more measured in the East Zone. Just under one-tenth of an inch was measured in East Quincy, with a little over two-tenths in the Coyote Hills, while it remained dry in Chester. The welcomed moisture won't help firefighters much because the forest is extremely dry. Gusty winds and dry conditions today will test containment lines and could cause any new lightning sparked fires to rapidly grow in size and intensity.

On the steep slopes of the escarpment above Highway 395 south of Milford, hand crews are securing and mopping up heat near the fire's edge. Pockets of fire continue to burn in a series of timber stringers north of Dixie Mountain. Hand crews improved and added depth to containment lines and are successfully holding the fire north of the mountain's west ridge. In the inaccessible Devil's Punchbowl area south of Taylorsville, hand crews are actively engaging the fire again with assistance from helicopters, wetting down hot spots with water drops, and scouting the area for opportunities to attack the fire directly. Mop up operations are mostly complete and crews are back-hauling hose and water systems along twenty-five miles of recently built containment line on the south side of the fire extending from the northern point of Grizzly Ridge all the way to the north end of Davis Lake, around Turner Ridge, Clover Meadows, and into Dixie Valley.

Dixie Fire Resources
 For more information on the Dixie Fire, click the following links:
Dixie Fire Structure Status Map (CAL FIRE) <https://tinyurl.com/2m9en9t4>
CAL FIRE Website- <https://www.fire.ca.gov/incidents>
USFS Information- <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7690/>

Evacuation Information
All evacuation zones may not be listed on this fact sheet.
Current Evacuation Status: <https://tinyurl.com/2whbc9xn>

Plumas County Evacuation Orders

PLUMAS COUNTY EVACUATION ORDERS

- Beckwourth Genesee Road east through Dixie Valley Rd to the Plumas County line and north to the Plumas County line. This includes Dixie Valley and Frenchman Lake. [PLU 34, PLU 37, PLU 43-A and 43-B]
- Long Valley and north of Seneca areas [PLU Zone 004B]
- Humbug Humboldt Cross Rd. at SR89, south along Humbug Humboldt Rd. to the intersection with Humboldt Rd., west to the Round Valley Creek and Deer Creek intersect, north along the Tehama County Line to the intersection SR36, east along SR36 to the intersection of SR89, south along SR89 to the intersection with Humbug Humboldt Cross Rd. [PLU Zone 6B]
- East side of Mt. Hough, east to Tower Rock and the south edge of Genesee. Includes Emigrant Rd. Zone [PLU Zone 16A]
- Grizzly/Tower: Beckwourth Genesee Rd south of Antelope Lake Rd to Grizzly Ridge and North of Argentine Lookout [PLU Zone 21]
- Antelope, includes the area surrounding Antelope Lake, North to the Plumas/Lassen Line, East to the Plumas Lassen Line, including Fruit Growers Blvd USFS Road 28N32, Indian Creek Road, Diamond Mountain Way, and the area of Thompson Creek & Boulder Creek. [PLU Zone 30]
- The unpopulated area of Babcock Crossing, Elephants Playground, and Murdock Crossing areas. This includes Beckwourth-Genesee at Clover Creek Loop, North to area of Drum Bridge, North to area of Babcock crossing. East to Big Flat Spring, South to 25N05, West to Beckwourth Genesee Road [PLU Zone 31]
- Ingalis: South of Beckwourth Genesee Road to the NW side of Lake Davis along Grizzly Ridge to the west and including the Walker Mine

<p>Shasta County Resources</p>	<p>**A temporary evacuation point is being set up at the Safeway in Burney.</p> <p><u>SHASTA COUNTY EVACUATION WARNINGS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • all residents in Old Station Zone 3. This includes the area east of Highway 89 just north of Black Angus Lane, and north to the intersection of Highway 89 at Doty Road following Bidwell Road east to the Pacific Crest Trail. • The areas of Hat Creek and Old Station for both sides of SR-44 from Big Pines Road north of Brians Way • SCU-255. This area is a forested area east of Zone SCU-003 that extends to the Shasta/Lassen County line. <p>Shasta County Website: https://www.co.shasta.ca.us/index.aspx Sheriff Website: https://www.co.shasta.ca.us/index/sheriff Shasta 2-1-1 Dixie Info: https://www.211disasterupdate.com/dixie-fire Wildfire Info Map: https://tinyurl.com/fpsamrw Code Red Sign Up: https://tinyurl.com/26ufjhn3</p> <p>**Residents are encouraged to sign up for the Code Red Emergency Alert System to receive important time-sensitive messages regarding critical local emergencies.</p>
<p>Shelter Locations</p>	<p>Shasta County</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Word of Life Assembly of God Church 37341 Main Street off HWY 299 Burney, CA 96013 <p>Plumas County/Lassen County</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holy Family Catholic Church 108 Taylor Ave. Portola, CA (At Capacity) • Sparks Convention Center Hall #5, 4590 S. Virginia St., Reno, NV <p>American Red Cross Public Information Line: (855) 755-7711 (See below for evacuee campsite information)</p>
<p>Animal Shelters</p>	<p>Plumas County</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plumas County Fairgrounds 204 Fairground Road, Quincy (large animals) • 201 Mill Creek Rd. Quincy (small animals) • Recreation Center 101 Meadowbrook Lane, Chester <p>If you need assistance with animals contact Plumas County Animal Services at 283-3673 or 283-6300. Large animals/livestock can also be accommodated.</p> <p>Shasta County</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If you need assistance with large animal evacuations contact Shasta County Dispatch (SHASCOM) 530-245-6540
<p>Wildlife Rescue</p>	<p>Wildlife Disaster network</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Response for injured wildlife: 1-800-942-6459 • Gold Country Wildlife Rescue: 1-530-885-0862
<p>Road Closures</p>	<p><i>Public traveling in or near evacuated areas should follow egress route directions identified in the evacuation notifications. Directions provided by mobile devices and GPS units could lead drivers into hazardous areas.</i></p>

<p>Road Closures</p>	<p><i>Motorists are encouraged to call 1-800-427-7623 for highway information as roadway conditions remain dynamic.</i></p> <p><u>Shasta County</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traffic is being diverted to northbound Highway 89 to Burney • All roads between the park entrance and Wilcox Rd at HWY 89 • Highway 44 is closed through old station • Road closures are at the intersection of Highway 89 and 44 at the entrance of Lassen National Park and at the intersection of Highway 89 at Wilcox Road to the north of Old Station. • Highway 44 is closed at Road A21 on the Lassen County side. • Lassen Volcanic National Park (LVNP) is closed. <p><u>Lassen County</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Janesville Grade @ “Granite Lookout.” <p><u>Plumas County</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indian Falls Road @ SR-89. No westbound Indian Falls Road traffic. • Greenville Wolf Creek Road just west of SR-89. No westbound Greenville Wolf Creek Road traffic. • Pecks Valley Road northbound @ North Valley Road eastbound. • North Valley Road northbound @ North Arm Road. • Dixie Valley Road @ SR-89. No northbound Dixie Valley Road traffic. • Arlington Road eastbound at Viacava Ranch Road. No eastbound Arlington Road traffic. • Main Street both directions @ SR-89 • Beckwourth Genesee Road westbound @ Antelope Road
<p>California Department of Fish and Wildlife</p>	<p>The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) will close seven of its properties that lie within or immediately adjacent to USDA Forest Service boundaries during this same period to support emergency response routes, firefighting efforts and protect public safety.</p> <p>Link to all the closed areas: https://nrm.dfg.ca.gov/FileHandler.ashx?DocumentID=194978&inline</p>
<p>National Forest Closures</p> <p>National Forest Closures</p>	<p>The Pacific Southwest Region is temporarily closing all R5 National Forests to provide better public and firefighter safety due to extreme fire conditions throughout the state and strained firefighting resources throughout the country. This closure will be effective on Tuesday, August 31, 2021, at 11:59 p.m. through September 17, 2021, at 11:59 p.m. This Order does not affect the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest, which is not in the Pacific Southwest Region. (See Regional Order No. 21-07: Emergency Forest Closure link: https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/fseprd949149.pdf).</p> <p>The Lassen National Forest's Order No. 06-21-08: Expanded Dixie Fire Closure Order prohibits the public from entering within the Dixie Fire Closure Area or any National Forest System Roads or trails described in Exhibits A & B. (https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/fseprd940211.pdf). This Order is in effect until November 30, 2021.</p>

	<p>The Plumas National Forest's Order No. 05-11-00-21-21: Dixie Fire Phases 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 Expanded Closure Order prohibits the public from entering within the Dixie Fire Closure Area or any National Forest System road or trail described in Exhibit A and B.</p> <p>(https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/fseprd940207.pdf). This Order is in effect until September 30, 2021.</p>			
Bureau of Land Management	<p>The Bizz Johnson National Recreation Trail near Susanville, as the Bureau of Land Management has rescinded a temporary emergency closure associated with the Dixie Fire. Also reopened are the Hobo Camp and Devil's Corral trailheads and all other BLM-managed lands that were affected by the emergency closure that went into effect Aug. 16. This includes BLM-managed lands south of California Highway 36, west of U. S. 395. and north and east of the Lassen National Forest boundary.</p>			
Lassen Evacuee Campsites	<p>The Lassen National Forest has the Christine Campground on Eagle Lake Ranger District and the Bridge Campground on the Hat Creek Ranger District available for evacuees. Evacuee's primary residence must be under mandatory evacuation and need to check in with the campsite's hosts. Before you go, make sure the campgrounds are not under any evacuation warnings.</p> <p>Contact Brian.newman@usda.gov or call 530-338-8745.</p>			
Plumas Evacuee Campsites	<p>Plumas National Forest - Campgrounds available to evacuees include Meadow Camp, Rock Creek, and Deanes Valley Campgrounds in the Meadow Valley area, in addition to Red Bridge Campground off La Porte Road, and Lakes Basin Campground off of Gold Lake Highway.</p> <p>Contact the Plumas National Forest Supervisors Office at (530) 283-2050 or the Mt. Hough Ranger District at (530) 283-0555 or the Beckwourth Ranger District (530) 836-2575 for more information.</p>			
Lassen Volcanic National Park	<p>All of Lassen National Park is closed to all access due to the Dixie Fire. For current information regarding the Lassen Volcanic National Park:</p> <p>https://www.nps.gov/lavo/learn/nature/dixie-fire.htm</p>			
ASSIGNED RESOURCES				
Engines: 357	Water Tenders: 174	Helicopters: 36	Hand Crews: 77	Dozers: 130
Other: 1,354		Total Personnel: 4,844		
Air Tankers:	Numerous firefighting air tankers from throughout the State are flying fire suppression missions as conditions allow.			
Cooperating Agencies: Butte County Sheriff's Office, Plumas County Sheriff's Office, Lassen County Sheriff's Office, Tehama County Sheriff's Office, Shasta County Sheriff's Office, CHP, PG&E, CAL OES, CAL-EMSA, California National Guard, California Conservation Corps, CAL TRANS, Sierra Pacific Industries, W.M. Beaty and Associates, Collins Pine, California Department				

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