



CREEK FIRE INCIDENT UPDATE

Date: 09/25/2020 Time: 9:00

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Fire Information: 415-737-5758
Madera Media Line: 559-492-7755
Fresno Media Line: 209-628-3097
Incident Email: Creekfire2020@gmail.com
Incident Website: www.fire.ca.gov
<https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7147/>



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INCIDENT FACTS

Incident Start Date: 09/04/2020	Incident Start Time: 6:33 p.m.	
Incident Type: Wildland Fire	Cause: Under Investigation	
Incident Location: Both sides of the San Joaquin River near Mammoth Pool, Shaver Lake, Big Creek and Huntington Lake.		
Forest/CAL FIRE Units: Sierra National Forest, CAL FIRE Units Fresno-Kings and Madera-Mariposa-Merced		
Unified Command Agencies: Great Basin Team 1, CAL FIRE 1, Fresno County Sheriff, Madera County Sheriff		
Size: 291,426	Containment: 36%	
Firefighter Injuries/Fatalities: 0	Expected Full Containment: 10/15/2020	
Structures Threatened: 4,576	Structures Destroyed: 855*	Structures Damaged: 71*

CURRENT SITUATION

Current Situation:	<p>Fresno County: The fire burned actively overnight in the northern portion of the Creek Fire's South Zone. It made short runs in the dry overnight air which had poor moisture recovery, leading to single and group tree torching and was within the interior of the existing fire perimeter.</p> <p>Smoke has settled back into drainages and canyons with the light winds resulting in limited dissipation of the smoke. Hot temperatures this weekend will lead to more drying of fuels allowing them to increase their ability to ignite and carry combustion, and winds will begin to come from the North, opposite of the past few days.</p> <p>The fire will progress south of Mount Tom and could reach the Portal Forebay, while on the eastern side of the fire it will progress towards the Dinkey Lake Wilderness and Florence Lake. Operational priorities are the improvement and building of containment line.</p> <p>Tactical patrol will be conducted in all areas of the fire with a focus on mopping up near the perimeter and ensuring threatened structures are able to be defended should the fire run towards them.</p> <p>Madera County: Weather conditions will change with a high-pressure system moving across the area starting Saturday. This will shift winds to the northeast which will produce a light to moderate down-sloping wind. Temperatures are also expected to climb this weekend into next week and return day-time high temperatures to temperatures in the 90's in the lower elevations of the south and west areas of the fire. Expect smoke conditions to increase along the 41 Road Corridor.</p>
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	<p>Air Operations will assist firefighters today, weather permitting, with an aerial ignition device dispensed by helicopter. This device is called a PSD (plastic sphere dispenser), it is a compact and dependable aerial ignition device used in areas that are too dangerous for firefighters. The hazards in the area are the dead trees that are falling in that area. A Cobra helicopter will scan the area with an infrared camera to capture any hot spots not visible. With effective air support firefighting crews once again were able to aggressively back-burn problematic areas and continue to work towards extending the containment line north of Peckinpah Meadows.</p> <p>Today the Mariposa Heli-base will terminate firefighting operations, and all helicopters based there will relocate to Mammoth Lakes Airport. This relocation is in response to the expected northeast winds with the high-pressure system moving into the area this weekend, and not a result of any increased threat of fire progression.</p> <p>At its closest distance, the fire was measured to be about 10-12 miles west of Mammoth Lakes. The visual inspection verified that the natural barriers and the previous Lions fire (2017) burn scar do appear to be limiting fire spread in the north-eastern flank. Conditions continue to be monitored very closely by emergency officials. Additional information is available via the Sierra National Forest Facebook page, or the below link: https://creek-fire-preparednessmonomammoth.hub.arcgis.com.</p> <p>Once again, with the increased use of air resources, please respect the Temporary Flight Restriction. The use of drones is not permitted over the fire area. A drone incursion will result in the grounding of all firefighting aircraft. Remember, "If you fly - We can't."</p>
Evacuation Map:	<p>The evacuation map of Creek Fire evacuations for Fresno and Madera counties is available online: https://nifc.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=28ce52cb86bf49dea0adef5a78b3c1b5</p> 
Incident Briefing:	<p>The Sierra National Forest will host an Incident Briefing tonight at 7pm via Facebook Live: https://www.facebook.com/SierraNF/</p>
Damage Inspection:	<p>* Damage assessments are approximately 98% complete. Fresno County and Madera County: An interactive damage assessment map for Fresno County and Madera County is available: Fresno County Damage Assessment Map or https://bit.ly/3kxDyvl</p>
Sign Up for Emergency Alerts	<p>Fresno County: https://t.co/Otack9NyKc?amp=1 Madera County: mcalert.org Mariposa County: Sheriff Office, sign up with Everbridge: msoalert.com Temporary Flight Restriction: Perimeter runs from South Merced River Fork on the south end of Yosemite National Park, south to Millerton Lake roughly following Route 41, east to Kings Canyon National Park, and north to Inyo National Forest. See: tfr.faa.gov</p>
Evacuation Warnings:	<p>Fresno County: Community of Prather. South of Little Sandy / Lodge Rd. North East of Tollhouse Rd. North of Millerton Rd. / Nicholas Rd. East Auberry Rd. Madera County: Bass Lake, Marina View, and the 225 corridor. For a complete list of evacuation warnings, see the Sheriff's website (QR code and complete web address in yellow highlight).</p>

Road Closures:	<p>Fresno County: Maxon Road at Trimmer Springs Road, Sycamore Road at Watts Valley Road, Highway 168 at Lodge Road, Lodge Road at Tollhouse Road, Auberry Road at Jose Basin Road, Duncan Canyon Road at Burrough North Road</p> <p>Madera County: Cascadel Road at 8509 Cascadel Rd, Mammoth Road at 59701 Mammoth Road, Road 274 at Putney Place, Douglas Ranger Station Road at Mill Site, Beasore Road at Road 274, Road 274 at Central Camp Road, Road 432 at Road 331, Road 274 at Road 331, and Road 632 at Buckskin Lane, Italian Bar Rd at Redinger Lake</p> <p>Closure updates are listed at: https://www.facebook.com/MaderaSheriff/.</p>
Temporary Evacuation Points:	<p>Fresno County</p> <p>Clovis North High School - 2770 East International Ave. Clovis, CA</p>

Animal Evacuation Centers:	<p>Fresno County</p> <p>Small animals – Clovis North 2770 East International Ave.</p> <p>Large animals – The Fresno Fairgrounds, 1121 S Chance Ave, Fresno, CA 93702, is set up to receive evacuated animals but please contact the Central California Animal Disaster Team (888-402-2238) to make arrangements so animals can be received at the fairgrounds.</p> <p>Madera County</p> <p>Small animals – Oakhurst Community Center 39800 Road 425B Oakhurst, CA</p> <p>Large animals – Producer’s Livestock Facility at Madera Farm Bureau, 1022 South Pine Street, Madera, CA</p>
Missing Persons:	<p>Fresno County Sheriff 559-600-3111</p> <p>Madera County Sheriff 559-658-2555</p>
National Park Closures:	<p>Yosemite, Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks are closed to the public due to smoke conditions.</p>
National Forest Closures:	<p>US Forest Service temporarily closed Southern California Forests, including the Sierra National Forest. Regional Order Number 20-12 Emergency Forest Closure.</p>
Bullfrog Fire Information:	<p>The Bullfrog Fire is burning on the Sierra National Forest but is not related to the Creek Fire. For information about that fire, please check Inciweb: Sierra National Forest Bullfrog Fire</p>

ASSIGNED RESOURCES				
Engines: 352	Water Tenders: 82	Helicopters: 16	Hand Crews: 41	Dozers: 69
Other: 817		Total Personnel: 3,085		
Air Tankers: Numerous firefighting air tankers are flying fire suppression missions as conditions allow.				
Cooperating Agencies				
<p>North Zone: Madera County, Madera County Public Health, Madera County Fire, OES, CHP, National Park Service, PG&E, CDCR, Sothern California Edison, American Red Cross, California National Guard, California Air National Guard, US Marine Corps and US Navy</p> <p>South Zone: Fresno County, Fresno County Public Health, Fresno County OES, OES, Shaver Lake Fire Department, Bald Mountain Fire Protection District, Auberry Fire Department, Huntington Lake Volunteer Fire Department, Big Creek Volunteer Fire Department, Pine Ridge Volunteer Fire Department, CHP, National Park Service, CDCR, PG&E, Sothern California Edison, American Red Cross, California National Guard, California Air National Guard</p>				
<p>To learn more about wildfire preparedness visit:</p> <p>www.readyforwildfire.org</p>				