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Bureau of Indian Affairs Tule River Indian Reservation Sequoia National Forest California Interagency Incident Management Team 11 <u>Fire Information:</u> (559) 214-1260 (8am-8pm) Facebook: @SequoiaNF Twitter: @SequoiaForest InciWeb: https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7841 2021.Windy@firenet.gov

Windy Fire Information - September 13, 2021

Hand Crews: 5	Water Tenders: 1	Helicopters: 2	Engines: 2
		Injuries: 0	Total Personnel: 232
	Structures Threatened:	Residential: 34	Commercial: 5
	Structures Damaged:	Residential: 0	Commercial: 0
	Structures Destroyed:	Residential: 0	Commercial: 0

The Windy Fire is 974 acres with 0% containment. The fire is burning on the Tule River Indian Reservation and is currently well established to the west of Slate Mountain, Mule Peak and Onion Meadow Peak. It is actively burning in dense dry fuels in steep inaccessible terrain. Vegetation in the fire area includes chaparral, dense brush, grass and timber which includes dead conifers and oak trees. The fire is expected to continue to spread through the dry, drought-stricken fuels and has already impacted the Giant Sequoia National Monument and burned into the Peyrone Sequoia grove. The fire is also threatening or impacting numerous cultural and historical sites, cabins, campgrounds and sensitive species habitats.

The fire is currently moving south towards Mule Meadow, and east towards Nobe Young Meadow. The Windy Fire is 4 miles from the community of Ponderosa, 5 miles from Johnsondale and 6 miles from Camp Nelson. Local residents, please continue to monitor fire progress.

Firefighters will continue to take opportunities to contain the fire's edge when safely possible with the limited resources available. They will also be using roads, ridges and other natural and manmade features when direct attack is not possible with the limited operational resources currently assigned. Additional operational resources have been requested. This is a full suppression fire.

As of yesterday, September 12, 2021, at 6 pm the Windy Fire is under management of California Interagency Incident Management Team 11 (CIIMT 11) in unified command with the US Forest Service and the Bureau of Indian Affairs on behalf of the Tule River Tribe.

Forest Closure in Effect

The USDA Forest Service Pacific Southwest Region has announced a temporary closure of nine National Forests for public and firefighter safety. This includes the Sequoia National Forest. This closure will be effective through September 17, 2021, at 11:59 p.m., and may be reassessed as conditions change. The full closure order and closure map are available at https://go.usa.gov/xF7EM