



OAK FIRE INCIDENT UPDATE

Date: 7/27/2022 Time: 7:00 P.M.



@CALFIREMMU
@SierraNF
@MariposaCountySheriff

Information Line: 844-668-3473

Media Line: 209-628-3097

Incident Websites:

www.fire.ca.gov/incidents/2022/7/22/oak-fire/
<https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/maps/8280>

Incident Start Date: 7/22/2022		Incident Start Time: 2:10 p.m.	
Incident Type: Wildland Fire		Cause: Under Investigation	
Incident Location: Midpines, Mariposa County			
CAL FIRE Unit: Madera, Mariposa, Merced Unit (MMU)			
Size: 18,824	Containment: 36%	Expected Full Containment: 8/6/2022	
First Responder Fatalities: 0		First Responder Injuries: 0	
Structures Threatened: 676	Single Residence Structures Destroyed: 63	Structures Damaged: 6	
	Outbuildings Destroyed: 37	Outbuilding Damaged: 4	

CURRENT SITUATION

Situation Summary:

An infrared flyover showed very little heat in and around communities within the fire perimeter. Crews continue to patrol these neighborhoods for hot spots. PG&E is working in the affected areas to remove hazards and repair infrastructure. Weather will be hotter and dryer for the next couple days. Helicopters dropped 250,000 gallons in Division J, northeast side of the fire, to support crews on the ground building direct line in extremely steep, rugged, and hazardous terrain. Three teams of Damage Inspectors continue to assess properties to determine damage done to homes within the fire perimeter.

COMMUNITY MEETING: 7/28/2022 7:00 PM , Mariposa County High School, Gymnasium, 5074 Old Hwy N, Mariposa

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For an updated Smoke Outlook, please visit:
<https://outlooks.airfire.org/outlook/3f18d7bc>

Please sign up for emergency alert notifications.
Mariposa County – MSOAlert.com

Map of the area
<https://arcg.is/jKqD5>

Evacuation Orders:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carstens Rd • Buckingham Mt. Road • Plumbar Creek Rd • Jerseydale Road and all side roads • Darrah Rd from Deer Springs with Deer Springs being open to Triangle Rd including all side roads • East Westfall Road from Triangle to Oliver Creek including all side • Silva from Van Ness to Triangle • Sweetwater Ridge / Mine area • Feliciana Mountain Rd • Ferguson / Apperson Mine Rd area • Savage Lundy Trail • Carter Road Including all side roads • Hites Cove Rd • Footman Ridge Area • Devils Gulch area
Fire Advisement:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hwy 140 from Colorado Road to Grosjean Road • Oak Road from Hwy 140 to Yosemite Oaks • Yosemite Oaks Rd from East Whitlock to Hwy 140 • Silva Rd from Carleton Road to Hwy 49S including all side roads • East Whitlock from Hwy 140 to Yosemite Oaks Rd • Stumpfield Mountain Rd from Hwy 49S to the Madera County Line including all side roads • East Westfall from Oliver Creek to Chowchilla Mountain Rd • Chowchilla Mountain Rd from 49S to East Westfall • Ponderosa Basin Subdivision including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All of Chowchilla Mountain Rd and all side roads • All of Harris Cutoff Rd and all side roads • All of Harris Rd and all side roads • 5S25 and 4S04 • Hwy 49S from Stumpfield Mountain Road to the Madera County Line including all side roads <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • *This includes: Watt Rd, Watt Rd Extension, Harris Rd, Kimble Rd and all side roads • Hwy 140 from Ponderosa Way to Briceburg both side of the roads • Colorado from Hwy 140 to East Whitlock Including all side roads • Grosjean Rd from Hwy 140 to Alta vista Rd including all side roads • Foran Rd to East Whitlock • East Whitlock from Foran to Hwy 140 including all side roads • Devils Gulch to Signal Peak Area including Chowchilla Mountain Rd • Tip Top Rd including all side roads • North side of Hwy 49S from Silva to Triangle Rd including all side roads • Cole Road including all side roads

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Silva Road from Carleton Road to Van Ness Road • Carleton Road • Allred Road • Morningstar Road including all side roads • Ponderosa Way including all side roads to the Sierra National Boundary • Lushmeadows Subdivision - NOT INCLUDING Vista Lago and Monte Vista *Residents must use Triangle Rd from Hwy 49S to access the Lushmeadows Subdivision • Triangle Rd from Darrah Rd to East Westfall • Darrah Road including all side roads from Hwy 49S to Deer Springs including all side roads • All Hwy 140 addresses including Cobey Ln • Vista Lago Rd • Monte Vista Rd 			
Red Cross Evacuation Center:	Evacuation Center: Mariposa Elementary School, 5044 Jones St. Mariposa			
Road Closures:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Triangle Road from Hwy 140 to Darrah Rd including all side roads • Jerseydale Rd including all side roads • Silva Road from Van Ness Drive to Triangle Road • Darrah Road from Deer Springs to Triangle Rd • East Westfall Road from Triangle Road to Oliver Creek • Carlton Rd from Triangle to Indian Rock • Carstens Road including all side roads • Vista Lago Lane • Monte Vista Lane 			
Animal Evacuations information:	<p>Small Animals: Mariposa County SPCA 5599 Hwy 49 North, Mariposa (full)</p> <p>Small Animals: Mariposa Elementary School 5044 Jones St. Mariposa (6th and Jones)</p> <p>Large Animals: Maiposa County Fairgrounds 5007 Fairgrounds Rd. Mariposa</p> <p>Large Animals: Coarsegold Rodeo Grounds 44777 Rodeo Grounds Ln Coarsegold</p>			
ASSIGNED RESOURCES				
Hand Crews: 93	Helicopters: 22	Engines: 303	Dozers: 81	Water Tender: 70
Total Personnel: 3758				
<p>Cooperating Agencies: Mariposa County Fire, CalOES, PG&E, California Highway Patrol, Bureau of Land Management, North Fork Rancheria, American Red Cross, California Department of Transportation, California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, California Conservation Corps, Central California Animal Disaster Team, Yosemite National Park, Southern Sierra Miwuk Nation, Mariposa Public Utilities District, Merced-Mariposa Cattleman’s Association, Picayune Rancheria of Chuckchansi Indians, North Fork Mono Indians.</p>				

To learn more about wildfire preparedness visit:

www.readyforwildfire.org

CAL FIRE NEWS RELEASE

California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection



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RELEASE DATE: 7/27/2022

OAK FIRE - EVACUATION ORDERS REDUCED TO FIRE ADVISEMENT

WHAT: Mariposa County, Evacuation Orders Reduced to Fire Advisement

WHEN: 7:00 P.M. 7/27/2022

WHERE: Evacuations for the following areas have been reduced to *Fire Advisement*. These areas will be open to residents living in the area only:

- Vista Lago Lane and Monte Vista Lane

Fire advisement is NOT an evacuation Order, it is simply to advise residents, in the area, of the potential need to evacuate should conditions change. Allowing those in the affected area to plan and prepare.

ROAD CLOSURES

CLOSED

- Triangle Road from Hwy 140 to Darrah Rd including all side roads
- Jerseydale Rd including all side roads
- Silva Road from Van Ness Drive to Triangle Road
- Darrah Road from Deer Springs to Triangle Rd
- East Westfall Road from Triangle Road to Oliver Creek
- Carstens Road including all side roads

Residents who have been repopulated that need to pick up animals at the Mariposa County Fairgrounds can do so anytime between 10am and 4pm.

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING DEBRIS REMOVAL

The Mariposa County HHS - Environmental Health Unit is working with CalEPA and CalREcycle to help remove hazardous waste and burn debris from burned out property as a result of the Oak Fire.

Property that has been partially cleared/cleaned up by individuals will NOT be eligible for this program if it becomes available. More information here - www.mariposacounty.org/2644/Returning-after-the-fire

If you would like to take advantage of ANY program to remove fire debris from your property, at no out of pocket cost to you, do not begin clean up. Looking for small personal items is ok. Please take precautions, because of the possibility that fire debris may contain hazardous waste products.

RETURNING HOME AFTER A WILDFIRE:

Although wildfire damage can be immeasurable, the danger is not over after the flames are put out. Flash flooding and debris flows, structural damage, road instability, and damaged trees are just some of the dangers that exist after a wildfire.

Keep these tips in mind:

- Stay away from your home or business until fire officials tell you it is safe to return.
- Flash floods are a very real and potentially deadly hazard after a wildfire, particularly as a result of rain falling over a burned area upstream of your location. Stay away from burned forests, storm channels, and natural drainages (rivers, creeks, and engineered channels can convey deadly flows of water and debris, especially after a wildfire).
- Have a battery-powered radio to listen for emergency updates, weather forecasts, reports of flash flooding, and news reports.
- Have an evacuation plan in place and make sure all family members are familiar with it.
- Be aware of and use extreme caution around trees, power poles, and other tall objects or structures that may have lost stability during the fire. Most burned structures and surfaces will be unstable.
- Stay out of burned forests during windy conditions, as burned trees are easily downed by wind. Do not touch any power lines.
- Keep a "fire watch." That means look for smoke or sparks throughout the house and on rooftops (e.g., in gutters), etc. Look for ash pits or hidden embers. Stay away – they can burn you.
- Before inspecting your home, first check for the smell of gas. Turn off power until you've completed your inspection. Use a battery-powered flashlight to inspect a damaged home. (Note: the flashlight should be turned on outside before entering. The battery may produce a spark that could ignite leaking gas, if present.)
- Do not drink or use water from the faucet until emergency officials say it is okay; water supply systems can be damaged and become polluted during wildfires or as a result of subsequent post-fire flooding. If your well has been damaged by fire, contact a local licensed and bonded well constructor or pump installer to determine the extent of the damage and what must be done to either repair or decommission the well.
- Discard any food that has been exposed to heat, smoke, flood waters, or soot.
- Utilities: If there is no power, check to make sure the main breaker is on. If the breakers are on and power is still not present, contact the utility company. If you have a propane tank or system, contact a propane supplier, turn off valves on the system, and leave valves closed until the supplier inspects your system. If you have a heating oil tank system, contact a heating oil supplier for an inspection of your system before you use it. If you have a solar electrical system, this system should be inspected by a licensed technician to verify that the solar panels and electrical wiring are safe for continued operation.

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View the most current evacuation map at: <https://arcg.is/jKqD5>

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