



# McKINNEY FIRE INCIDENT UPDATE

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<https://bit.ly/McKinneyFireYouTube>

**Fire Information:** 530-289-8920 or dial 211

**Media Line:** 530-918-8729

**Hours:** 08:00am to 9:00pm

**Email:** 2022.McKinney@firenet.gov

## Incident Website:

<https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/8287/>

<https://www.fire.ca.gov/incidents/2022/7/29/mckinney-fire>

<https://fs.usda.gov/klamath>

<https://www.fire.ca.gov/>

**Location:** Siskiyou County, CA

**Size:** 60, 271 acres

**Percent Contained:** 40%

**Cause:** Under Investigation

**Vegetation:** Timber (Litter and Understory), Tall Grass, and Brush

**Number of Personnel Assigned:** 3,537

**Start Date:** Friday July 29, 2022 at 2:15pm

Crews continue to tie-in and secure their firelines around the perimeter of the fire. Much attention has been brought to the northeastern portion of the fire that runs parallel with Highway 96 because of the steep terrain and likelihood of roll outs that could make control of that line much more hazardous and difficult to achieve. Mop-up operations are initiated in the contained areas to further secure lines and as they continue to be patrolled. Firefighters successfully completed a defensive low-intensity tactical firing operation, in order to protect the Klamath River School and other surrounding structures.

The fire held on the northern edge overnight, but with the forecasted weather, firefighters will pay extra attention to the Pipeline Gap area. Fire has backed down to Mill Creek where crews have put direct hand and dozer line in for reinforcement. Air resources are still very active on working to suppress the fire in areas to help firefighters on the ground gain access for direct attack opportunities. There is an east contingency group in place working in the area of the communities of Yreka and Fort Jones focusing on structure defense operations should the need arise.

The Smokey Fire has resources from the McKinney Fire working on its perimeter and were able to reach 75% containment. The size remains at 34 acres. Crews are working on mop-up operations about 150 feet in from the containment line and continue to secure and patrol.

## COMMUNITY MEETING:

A community meeting is being planned for this Monday, August 8, 2022, in Fort Jones, CA at the Scott Valley Junior High School starting at 7:00 p.m. The address is 237 Butte Street, Fort Jones, CA, 96032. The meeting will also be livestreamed on <https://bit.ly/McKinneyFireYouTube> and the CAL FIRE Siskiyou Unit Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/CALFIRESKU> for those not able to attend in person.

Questions desired to be answered are appreciated in advance and can be sent to [2022.mckinney@firenet.gov](mailto:2022.mckinney@firenet.gov)

## WEATHER:

A local Red Flag Warning has been put into effect and will extend through Monday. This means warm temperatures and very low humidity readings will be paired with winds up to 25 mph in higher elevations, increasing the potential risk for fire danger and active fire behavior. Temperatures are expected to be in the low 100s with south / southwest winds in the hottest areas.



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## EVACUATIONS:

Multiple Evacuation orders and warnings remain in effect. For current updates on evacuations, visit <https://www.facebook.com/SiskiyouCountySheriff> and <https://www.facebook.com/SiskiyouCountyOES>. Additional evacuation information and a map can be found on the Zonehaven site at: <https://community.zonehaven.com/>

A new shelter has been established at Karuk Wellness Center at 1403 Kahtishraam, Yreka, CA, 96097.

Highway 96 remains closed through the fire area.

## CURRENT FOREST ORDERS:

Fire restrictions are in effect on the Klamath National Forest. For more information, visit <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/klamath/alerts-notices/>

A forest closure is now in effect for the McKinney, Yeti, and Alex Fires. Please refer to the links below for specific details:

Closure Info: [https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE\\_DOCUMENTS/fseprd1047211.pdf](https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/fseprd1047211.pdf)

Closure Map: [https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE\\_DOCUMENTS/fseprd1047212.pdf](https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/fseprd1047212.pdf)

**Pacific Crest Trail Information:** <https://www.pcta.org/discover-the-trail/closures>