



Wishon Fire

Incident Update – August 19, 2022

Fire Information: Office Hours: 7:00 AM – 6:00 PM

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Location: Sequoia National Forest, Tule River Canyon

Fire Start Date: August 15, 2022

Cause: Under Investigation

Size: 325 acres

Percent Contained: 65%

Structures Damaged/Destroyed: 0

Suppression Strategy: Full Suppression

Number of Personnel Assigned: 358

Injuries: 2

Fire History: On August 15, 2022 firefighters from the US Forest Service, CAL FIRE, Tulare County and other cooperators responded to a fire in the Tule River Canyon near The Stairs on the Western Divide Ranger District of the Sequoia National Forest. Initial responding resources included 9 engines, 14 hand crews, 5 helicopters, 6 airtankers and an air attack. California Interagency Incident Management Team 13 continues to support firefighting efforts.

Fire Activity, Weather & Suppression: Continued minimal fire activity around the fire perimeter in the last 12 hours continues to assist crews and aircraft in making progress. Very warm and dry conditions are expected for today and Saturday with a slow cooling pattern and increase in humidity expected for Sunday. No significant wind issues are expected as we move into early next week. The fire will continue to smolder and produce occasional flare-ups within the perimeter of the fire as it makes contact with unburned fuel. On-going mop-up will have a big impact of limiting fire behavior and spread potential. Despite reduced fire activity, the safety of fire personnel, the public and the employees remains the highest of priorities. There have been two minor injuries reported. The individuals were transported to the hospital and released.

Power Restoration Estimate: For areas with power impacted by the Wishon Fire, Southern California Edison (SCE) reports that helicopters will be replacing poles and lines with power being restored in the next two days. Be prepared for short intermittent road closures of Hwy. 190 as SCE helicopters work in the area. SCE helps you prepare for wildfires and related power issues at: [sce.com/wildfire](https://www.sce.com/wildfire)

Air Quality: Current impacts to air quality from the Wishon Fire are expected to be minimal. To check on air quality for your area, or wherever you are visiting, check: airnow.gov. For the air quality at Camp Wishon check: [Camp Wishon](#)

Evacuations & Closures: No restrictions have been placed on public access **except** in areas of the fire perimeter and in areas of fire growth potential. The Tulare County Sheriff has lifted all evacuation warnings including Wishon Camp and Doyle Springs. The California Highway Patrol has lifted all road closures. Due to fire personnel, heavy equipment and utility companies working in the area, the public is advised to avoid traveling on Hwy. 190 and Wishon Drive.

“WILDFIRE IS COMING... ARE YOU READY?” CALFIRE provides a comprehensive online resource for all aspects of wildfire preparedness, post wildfire, where and who you can contact for support, as well as many other valuable resources. Visit: [Wildfire is coming... Are you ready?](#)

Firefighter & Public Safety: Firefighters and support resources are following CDC protocols as they pertain to COVID. We respect the safety and health of our crews as well as the public and we thank the public for welcoming us into your community and your continued patience.

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