



MOSQUITO FIRE INCIDENT UPDATE

Date: 9-16-2022 Time: 7:00 p.m.



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tinyurl.com/MosquitoFire

Size: 71,292 acres
Containment: 20%
Total Personnel: 3,453

Fire Information: 211 (Local) or 530-264-8309
Media Information: 530-217-3263
Phone Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. daily
Email: 2022.Mosquito@firenet.gov
Incident Websites:
inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/8398
fire.ca.gov

Start Date & Time: Tuesday, 9-6-2022, 6:27 p.m.
Cause: Under Investigation
Location: Mosquito Road at Oxbow Reservoir
Suppression Strategy: Full Suppression
People Evacuated: 11,277
Structures Threatened: 9,236
Total Structures Destroyed: 73
Total Structures Damaged: 13

The Mosquito Fire remains in unified command with California Interagency Incident Management Team 5, CAL FIRE, Placer County Sheriff, and El Dorado County Sheriff.

CURRENT SITUATION

Due to the significant progress made by firefighters, Evacuation Orders for portions of Georgetown have been lifted and reduced to Evacuation Warning status. Per the El Dorado County Sheriff, repopulation has started for portions of Georgetown as of 4:00 p.m. today. This area includes: the area west of Wentworth Springs Road at Citabria Lane, north of Greenwood Road and Graybar Mine Road, east of Highway 193 at Sliger Mine Road, and south of Bottle Hill Road and Snow Cap Road. This does not include Sliger Mine Road north of Loriel Drive and Spanish Dry Diggings Road north of Odyssey Falls Drive.

Cooler temperatures and higher humidity under the smoke layer kept fire behavior substantially lower today. A thick layer of smoke remained over most of the fire area. In eastern areas where the smoke inversion did clear this afternoon, isolated areas of torching and burning occurred. The fire continues to steadily grow on its eastern front primarily near Ramsey Crossing and in the Middle Fork of the American River drainage due to the extremely dry fuels.

Firefighters completed the strategic firing operations along control lines below the community of Todd Valley, securing the fire's edge into the American River. A small amount of remaining vegetation is slowly burning in the interior of this area. These operations have helped secure the southwest corner of the fire and firefighters will continue to monitor and hold these control lines. Crews continued similar holding operations on the north corner of the fire along Deadwood Road, while crews and heavy equipment took advantage of the moderated fire activity and started constructing direct control lines along portions of the fire's eastern flank. Great progress continues holding the fire along the Eleven Pines Road. There was no new growth on the southeast corner where the fire has bumped up against the King Fire burn scar.

With the forecast of strong winds coming into the area tomorrow ahead of the incoming weather system, firefighters are completing the critical mission of patrolling and mopping up all hot spots while eliminating any issues that may cause the fire to jump containment lines. In anticipation of the weather, the U.S. Forest Service has responded with two night flying helicopters to assist with reconnaissance and water-dropping capabilities.



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EVACUATIONS — PLACER COUNTY

Placer County interactive evacuation map: placer.ca.gov/evacuations.

ReadyPlacer dashboard for Mosquito Fire information: tinyurl.com/234azf6d

Evacuation Orders are in effect for the following zones in Placer County:

- Zone 1: Michigan Bluff
- Zone 2: Baker Ranch Mobile Home Park
- Zone 3
- Zone 4: Downtown Foresthill
- Zone 5
- Zone 6
- Zone 7: Todd Valley
- Zone 8: Sierra Vista Mobile Home Park
- Zone 9: North Side of Foresthill Road
- Zone 10: Spring Garden / Whitehawk Ridge
- Zone 11A: Yankee Jims and Shirrtail Canyon
- Zone 12
- Zone 14
- Zone 21
- Zone 22

Evacuation Warnings are in effect for the following zones in Placer County:

- Zone 15: Foresthill Road at Lake Clementine
- Zone 23
- Zone 25: Sawtooth Ridge to the American River
- Zone 26:

EVACUATIONS — EL DORADO COUNTY

El Dorado County interactive evacuation map: bit.ly/3ATtgao

El Dorado County dashboard for Mosquito Fire information: edcgov.us/mosquito-fire-information

Evacuation Orders are in effect for the following areas in El Dorado County:

- Area Name: Volcanoville
- Area Name: Quintette
- Area Name: Bald Mountain
- Area Name: Grey Eagle
- Area Name: Canyon Creek
- Area Name: Stumpy Meadows
- Area Name: Georgetown - Only portions of Georgetown were downgraded to a Warning on 09-16-22 (see Warnings, below). Orders remain for Sliger Mine Road north of Lorie! Drive and Spanish Dry Diggins Road north of Odyssey Falls Drive

Evacuation Warnings are in effect for the following areas in El Dorado County:

- Area Name: Cool
- Area Name: Garden Valley
- Area Name: Swansboro / Slate Mountain
- Area Name: East Stumpy Meadows



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ROAD CLOSURES

View road closures in the vicinity of the Mosquito Fire on the Caltrans interactive map: quickmap.dot.ca.gov.

EVACUATION CENTERS

Placer County:

- Sierra College, 5100 Sierra College Blvd., Rocklin, California. Enter on Rocklin Road for parking, which is in Lot B. Shelter is in cafeteria (building J).

EI Dorado County:

- Cameron Park Services District, 2502 Country Club Drive, Cameron Park, California. Overnight shelter with meals, showers, limited health services, and parking for trailers. Animals in crates and carriers are allowed.
- Green Valley Community Church, 3500 Missouri Flat Road, Placerville, California. RV parking is limited and no hookups. Small domestic animals in crates or on leashes are allowed (no large animals or birds).

ANIMAL SHELTERS

Placer County:

- Gold Country Fairgrounds, 209 Fairgate Road, Auburn, California (large & small animals, livestock ok)

EI Dorado County:

- Diamond Springs Shelter, 6435 Capitol Avenue, Diamond Springs, California (small animals only)
- Rancho Murieta Equestrian Center: call 916-985-7334 for information (equines only)
- Flying M Ranch, 5421 Buck Mountain Road, Placerville, California (large animals only)

NATIONAL FOREST CLOSURES

National Forest System lands, roads, and trails in the vicinity of the Mosquito Fire are closed under multiple orders.

- The Rubicon Jeep Trail Closure went into effect on Friday, September 16 and is covered by two orders: Tahoe National Forest Order No. 17-22-10 (tinyurl.com/3uapupe5, includes map) and Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit Order No. 19-22-07 (tinyurl.com/2p9ckfcr, includes map).
- Tahoe National Forest Order No. 17-22-09 (tinyurl.com/2dfxw6v9, includes map)
- Eldorado National Forest Order No. 03-22-16 (tinyurl.com/5dxz5cp6, includes map).

STRUCTURE STATUS

A Damage Inspection Specialist (DINS) Team is currently completing property assessments in Placer and EI Dorado counties. The following resources for residents will be updated as the team continues its assessments:

Placer County: The Damage Inspections Report (DINS) for Placer County is now complete. The report highlights the results of the inspection of every structure within the perimeter of the fire on the Placer County side. Visit tinyurl.com/j9b28ufb to get the most updated information on what was affected.

EI Dorado County: Residents should go to the online interactive map (tinyurl.com/4pkujys9) and zoom in to their property or type their address in the search field.