



# MOSQUITO FIRE INCIDENT UPDATE

Date: 9-19-2022 Time: 7:00 a.m.



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 [tinyurl.com/MosquitoFire](https://tinyurl.com/MosquitoFire)

**Size:** 76,290 acres  
**Containment:** 39%  
**Total Personnel:** 3,722

**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](mailto:2022.Mosquito@firenet.gov)  
**Incident Websites:**  
[inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/8398](https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/8398)  
[fire.ca.gov/incidents/2022/9/6/mosquito-fire/](https://fire.ca.gov/incidents/2022/9/6/mosquito-fire/)

**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:** 8,290  
**Structures Threatened:** 9,236  
**Total Structures Destroyed:** 78  
**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

Containment on the Mosquito Fire has nearly doubled in the past 36 hours. This increase in containment can be attributed to the hard work of firefighters who have been working around the clock to strengthen and secure containment lines in and around the communities. Due to this increase in containment, the current wet weather, and the quick response from our cooperating utility partners, law enforcement officials were able to repopulate many of the surrounding communities on Sunday. Evacuation Orders and Warnings continue to be in place for several communities and areas that are still impacted by the fire perimeter. Firefighters continue to conduct extensive mop-up operations in these remaining areas, including tasks such as extinguishing all remaining hot spots, mitigating fire weakened trees, and working with cooperators to ensure that these areas are safe for the public to return to.

On Sunday, moisture saturation decreased fire behavior significantly; however, areas under thick canopies were less affected by the light precipitation and were still available to burn. Heavier rains and south winds over the fire continued overnight. Firefighters and equipment remained in the communities throughout the night. Protecting life and property remains a top priority for firefighters, and crews continue to patrol the containment lines along the communities to ensure there are no slop overs or spot fires as a result of embers or debris crossing the fireline. Crews and equipment will continue to work along the eastern flank of the fire where it is possible to conduct operations safely in order to keep constructing direct control lines. With rainy and wet conditions in the area, crews must remain vigilant for the increased hazards that come with the additional precipitation. This landscape is already steep and rugged, and it becomes even more treacherous with the addition of rain, making the terrain muddy and slippery.

Continued wetting rains will continue through the day and into Tuesday. A Flash Flood Watch is currently in place for the fire area for potential ash and debris flows from forecasted scattered thunderstorms. The storm is predicted to taper off by Wednesday, with a warming trend starting Thursday.



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## EVACUATIONS — PLACER COUNTY

Interactive evacuation map: [placer.ca.gov/evacuations](http://placer.ca.gov/evacuations), Mosquito Fire information: [tinyurl.com/234azf6d](http://tinyurl.com/234azf6d)

**Evacuation Orders** are in effect for the following Placer County zones: 1 (Michigan Bluff), 2 (Baker Ranch Mobile Home Park), 3, 4 (Downtown Foresthill), 5, 6, 7A (Patent Road), 14, 21, and 22.

**Evacuation Warnings** are in effect for the following Placer County zones: 7B (Todd Valley), 8 (Sierra Vista Mobile Home Park), 9 (North Side of Foresthill Road), 10 (Spring Garden / Whitehawk Ridge), 11A (Yankee Jims and Shirttail Canyon), 23, and 25 (Sawtooth Ridge to the American River).

## EVACUATIONS — EL DORADO COUNTY

Interactive evacuation map: [bit.ly/3ATtqao](http://bit.ly/3ATtqao), Mosquito Fire information: [edcgov.us/mosquito-fire-information](http://edcgov.us/mosquito-fire-information)

**Evacuation Orders** are in effect for the following El Dorado County areas: Volcanoville, Quintette, and West Stumpy Meadows and Stumpy Meadows.

**Evacuation Warnings** are in effect for the following El Dorado County areas: Canyon Creek, Bald Mountain, Bottle Hill, Grey Eagle, East Sand Mountain, Silver Hill, and East Stumpy Meadows.

## ROAD CLOSURES

View road closures in the vicinity of the Mosquito Fire on the Caltrans interactive map: [quickmap.dot.ca.gov](http://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).

### **El 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)

### **El 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)



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## NATIONAL FOREST CLOSURES

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

- Rubicon Jeep Trail: Tahoe National Forest Order No. 17-22-10 ([tinyurl.com/3uapupe5](https://tinyurl.com/3uapupe5)), Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit Order No. 19-22-07 ([tinyurl.com/2p9ckfcr](https://tinyurl.com/2p9ckfcr))
- Tahoe National Forest Order No. 17-22-09 ([tinyurl.com/2dfxw6v9](https://tinyurl.com/2dfxw6v9))
- Eldorado National Forest Order No. 03-22-16 ([tinyurl.com/5dxz5cp6](https://tinyurl.com/5dxz5cp6))

## STRUCTURE STATUS

In both Placer and El Dorado counties, Damage Inspection Specialist (DINS) Teams have completed assessments of all structures within the Mosquito Fire perimeter. The status of each structure can be found on either Placer County's interactive map [tinyurl.com/j9b28ufb](https://tinyurl.com/j9b28ufb) or El Dorado County's interactive map [tinyurl.com/4pkujys9](https://tinyurl.com/4pkujys9).