



# MOSQUITO FIRE INCIDENT UPDATE

Date: 9-20-2022 Time: 7:00 p.m.



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

**Size:** 76,290 acres  
**Containment:** 47%  
**Total Personnel:** 2,437

**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:** 42

**Structures Threatened:** 111

**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

The current storm system continued to produce rain showers throughout the day over the Mosquito Fire. Rains were lighter this morning with a slight break midday which caused some atmospheric instability. Thus far, the total accumulation for this storm has ranged from 1 to 2.25 inches of rain over the fire. Isolated thunderstorms moved from south to north across the fire area this afternoon. A Flash Flood Watch remains in effect for the fire area until midnight for potential ash and debris flows due to the presence of these thunderstorms.

With the continued moisture, cooler temperatures and higher humidity, there was no new growth of the fire perimeter throughout the day. Firefighters were able to increase overall containment through the completion of several sections of fireline along the eastern flank. Crews and equipment remained out on the fireline throughout the day working in the rain to continue the mission of constructing and securing control lines around the remainder of the fire. Firefighters remained cautious during periods of heavy rain by seeking shelter, then reengaging in their efforts when the rain slowed and opportunities presented themselves. Great progress continues to be made all along the eastern flank during this period of subdued fire activity. Firefighters understand the importance of securing this flank before warmer and drier conditions begin later this week with the potential to increase fire behavior among the still critically dry fuels. Aircraft was able to be utilized today for several reconnaissance missions in efforts to map and locate hot spots difficult to spot by ground crews. As active fire suppression efforts wind down in some portions of the fire area, suppression repair efforts have started. The goal of suppression repair is to return damaged areas to a stable condition that reflects pre-fire conditions. These repair efforts include actions such as erosion control, repairing fences, debris removal, and removing berms created by dozers. Firefighters will work alongside forest resource advisors throughout the suppression repair process.

With the increase in containment and current fire conditions, several more evacuation orders were lifted by the Placer County Sheriff's Office this afternoon.



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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: 1A, 3A, 4A, 14, & 22

**Evacuation Warnings** are in effect for the following Placer County zones: 1B, 3B, 4B, 6A, 7A, 21A, 23, & 25A.

## 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: Stumpy Meadows.

**Evacuation Warnings** are in effect for the following El Dorado County areas: Volcanoville, Quintette, 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)

## 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](http://tinyurl.com/3uapupe5)), Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit Order No. 19-22-07 ([tinyurl.com/2p9ckfcr](http://tinyurl.com/2p9ckfcr))
- Tahoe National Forest Order No. 17-22-09 ([tinyurl.com/2dfxw6v9](http://tinyurl.com/2dfxw6v9))
- Eldorado National Forest Order No. 03-22-16 ([tinyurl.com/5dxz5cp6](http://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/i9b28ufb](http://tinyurl.com/i9b28ufb) or El Dorado County's interactive map [tinyurl.com/4pkujys9](http://tinyurl.com/4pkujys9).