



MOSQUITO FIRE

INCIDENT UPDATE

September 28, 2022



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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

Start Date & Time: Tuesday, 9-6-2022, 6:27 p.m.

Cause: Under Investigation

Location: Mosquito Road at Oxbow Reservoir

Suppression Strategy: Full Suppression

Total Structures Destroyed: 78

Total Structures Damaged: 13

Size: 76,775 acres

Containment: 85%

Total Personnel: 1,264

CURRENT SITUATION

The Mosquito Fire sustained zero growth and no change in containment percentages over the last operational period. Primary incident objectives of direct and indirect line construction, mop up, suppression repair and hazard tree mitigation are actively being conducted throughout the fire footprint. The Rubicon drainage and the North Fork of the Middle Fork of the American River persist as challenging areas for crews to engage in fire line construction. Suppression repair groups are coordinating across the affected forests and local communities to repair damage, remove the suppression footprint, and restore affected areas to a more natural, pre-fire state.

Minimal fire growth is expected over the next 24 hours. Unburned islands of fuels exist in numerous locations in the fire's perimeter, but well within fire control features. The potential for small, creeping fires within these unburned areas will persist over the coming days, and both direct suppression and air resources will remain committed to the incident to support any suppression operations as needed.

Near normal temperatures are anticipated over the fire today, with humidity levels ranging between 22-30% and temperatures from the upper 70s to low 80s. An upper-level trough will move through the area bringing increased southwest winds with gusts up to 17 mph. Thursday will bring similar temperatures and humidity levels, with decreasing winds and no significant change to fire spread potential.

ROAD CLOSURES

- For Placer County road closures, visit ReadyPlacer.org.
- For El Dorado County road closures, visit EDCGov.us.

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.

- **The Rubicon Trail closure has been lifted on both the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit and the Tahoe National Forest.**
- Tahoe National Forest Order No. 17-22-09 (tinyurl.com/2dfxw6v9)
- Eldorado National Forest Order No. 03-22-17 (tinyurl.com/3rtd9rm9)