



HAPPY CAMP COMPLEX

INCIDENT UPDATE

Date: 8-29-2023 Morning Update



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Size: 22,195 acres
Containment: 31%
Total Personnel: 3,383
People Evacuated: 336
Structures Threatened: 1,609
Structures Destroyed: 9
Structures Damaged: 2
Fatalities: 1

Fire Information:
Public Phone: (530) 330-5441
Media Phone: (530) 330-5452
Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. daily
Email: 2023.happycampcomplex@firenet.gov
Incident Website: inciweb.wildfire.gov

Start Date & Time: Wednesday, 8-16-2023, 10:27 a.m.
Cause: Under Investigation
Location: Multiple Locations Across the Forest
Suppression Strategy: Full Suppression
Unified Command Agencies: California Incident Management Team 5, CAL FIRE Siskiyou Unit

HAPPY CAMP COMMUNITY MEETING: A community meeting and fire operations update will be taking place today, August 29th at 5:30 p.m. at the Karuk Administration Gym located at 64236 Second Avenue, Happy Camp, CA 96039.

WEST SIDE OVERVIEW (ACRES/CONTAINMENT): Elliot (9,915 acres, 2%), Malone (741 acres, 7%), Ufish (2,148 acres, 0%)

Strategic firing operations towards Elk Creek Road took place on the Malone Fire last night. Today, firefighters will work to improve and hold progress made on securing fire lines. Last night on the Ufish Fire, winds were unfavorable for the planned strategic firing operation. Crews will be prepared to execute the plan today, as necessary. On the Elliot Fire, crews patrolled Highway 96 and mopped up hot spots near the fire line. Today, firefighters will continue to strengthen containment lines near Highway 96 and scout for indirect contingency lines on the north and west flanks of the fire.

EAST SIDE OVERVIEW (ACRES/CONTAINMENT): Head (6,931 acres, 45%), Block (0.1 acres, 100%), Townsend (81 acres, 100%), Den (294 acres, 100%), Scott (1,886 acres, 70%), Lake (199, acres, 5%)

Firefighters continue to make progress to the north and south of Hamburg on the Head Fire. On the north end, crews are working in steep terrain, through dense vegetation. Upcoming winds are expected to push the north end of the Head Fire back into its' burned area today. CAL FIRE has made good progress on the Scott Fire. Both the Townsend and Lake fires have held within established containment lines.

EVACUATIONS: View current Siskiyou County evacuation orders and warnings by visiting: community.zonehaven.com. Siskiyou County residents are encouraged to sign up for rapid emergency



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notifications using the CodeRED emergency alert system.

<https://www.co.siskiyou.ca.us/emergencyservices/page/codered-emergency-alert>

An evacuation center has been established at the Kahtishraam Wellness Center, 1403 Kahtishraam, Yreka, CA 95097. Call (530) 340-3539 if you have questions regarding the shelter.

ROAD CONDITIONS: State Route 96 is now open. One-way traffic control remains in place in several areas while crews work to repair damaged infrastructure, remove debris, and stabilize slopes. Delays at the locations with one-way traffic control could be up to an hour or more. The road will be closed to the public east of Seiad daily from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. to facilitate fire traffic. For the exact locations of where this work is taking place, please use quickmap.dot.ca.gov. County road closures will be listed on the Siskiyou County Public Works website:

<https://www.co.siskiyou.ca.us/publicworks/page/closures-and-delays>.

FOREST CLOSURE: Two closure orders have been implemented: Happy Camp Complex Emergency Fire Closure, No.05-05-23-06; Happy Camp Complex Emergency Fire Closure, No. 05-05-23-07. Please refer to <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/klamath/alerts-notice> to view the orders and maps.

TEMPORARY FLIGHT RESTRICTION (TFR): A TFR has been established over the fire area. Flight restrictions include the use of drones. The operation of drones under the TFR is prohibited.

PACIFIC CREST TRAIL: The Pacific Crest Trail is closed between the Shelly Fork Junction and Seiad as part of an area closure under Forest Order 05-05-23-07. It is suggested that northbound through-hikers exit the trail at Etna Summit and resume northward travel from Seiad.

AIR QUALITY: For information regarding smoke impacts and what you can do to protect yourself, visit: <https://www.airnow.gov/>

For additional information regarding the Happy Camp Complex, please go to the InciWeb page at <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/>