



Shasta-Trinity and Six Rivers National Forests

South Fork Complex Fire Update

Saturday, August 26, 2023



Fire Information: 530-638-2830, 8 A.M. to 8 P.M.

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Current Situation:

3-9 Fire: 1,714 acres with 0% containment
Pilot Fire: 1,057 acres with 64% containment
Pellitreau Fire: 3 acres with 100% containment
Sulphur Fire: 31 acres with 100% containment
25% overall containment for the Complex

People and Equipment:

703 personnel, crews, engines, dozers, water tenders and air support

3-9 Fire The northern division of the 3-9 Fire has 100% handline completed around the perimeter. Crews will continue to strengthen the containment line by mopping up and adding depth to prevent rollout of burned fuels in the interior of the fire perimeter. Along the southern perimeter crews are working along the Berry Summit- Mad River Road, a completed dozer line to the south and Road 03N06 increasing and strengthening control lines around the 30 acre slop-over from Sunday night. Smoke is visible from interior torching posing no threat to the fire perimeter. Helicopters are supporting the firefighting efforts with water and retardant drops. Crews are also working along the Dan East trail going direct on the fire when safe to do so. On the southeast portion of the fire, dozers and excavators are opening road systems in closer proximity to the fire perimeter to encompass the spot fires and allow crews opportunity to go direct along the fire perimeter.

Pilot Fire crews have successfully finished 100% containment line around the perimeter of the fire. Crews will focus on mopping up and adding depth. The contingency lines along the eastern flank have been completed to protect Grouse Creek. Operational plans for today continue to be secure and mop up the perimeter of the Pilot Fire and finish the contingency lines.

The **Pellitreau fire** is 100% contained and the **Sulfur fire** has 100% containment. Crews will continue to monitor and patrol to ensure fire remains within the containment lines. Most equipment has been pulled from these fires to assist the Pilot and 3-9 Fires.

Weather:

The temperature will be 70-75 degrees with RH minimum 32 to 36% with winds 5 to 8 mph gusting to 14 mph.

Evacuation Warning:

These remain in effect. Please continue to check the Trinity County Wildfire and Evacuation site for up-to-date status and locations: [Trinity County Wildfire and Evacuation Map](#)

Forest Closure: There are new Forest Closure orders for the South Fork Complex Fire that have been posted on the [Shasta-Trinity National Forest website home page](#) and on the [Six Rivers National Forest \(click on Forest Closures\)](#). Please avoid the closed areas.