



Shasta-Trinity and Six Rivers National Forests

**South Fork Complex Fire
Update**

Tuesday, August 29, 2023



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

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Current Situation:

3-9 Fire: 1,863 acres with 22% containment

Pilot Fire: 1,055 acres with 86% containment

Pellitreau Fire: 3 acres with 100% containment

Sulphur Fire: 31 acres with 100% containment

45% overall containment for the Complex

People and Equipment:

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

3-9 Fire The northern division (Division O), has 100% hand line completed around the perimeter. Fire personnel continue to mop up and increase depth of the containment line. In the southern division (Division A), they improved the primary control lines along Berry Summit-Mad River Road, a dozer line, and Road 03N06 along the southern perimeter and continue to assess opportunities to go direct on the fire. Aircraft are supporting firefighting efforts with water and retardant drops in this area. Along the northwestern perimeter, crews continue to mop up and secure control lines down to and paralleling Pilot Creek. On the eastern portion of the fire (Division W), they continue to monitor and mop up spot fires with the assistance of helicopter water drops. A contingency line continues to be improved along road systems in the south near spot fires that started on Friday.

Pilot Fire Crews have successfully finished 100% containment line around the perimeter and continued to focus on mopping up and adding depth. Aircraft supported cool-down efforts of interior heat with water drops in anticipation of increased winds on Monday night. Fire personnel will continue to secure and mop up the perimeter and improve contingency lines.

The **Pellitreau Fire** and the **Sulfur Fire** are 100% contained. Firefighters will continue to monitor and patrol to ensure fire remains within the containment lines.

Weather: An area of low pressure approaching the California-Oregon coast is expected to bring cooler and windy conditions that will extend through most of this week. Maximum temperatures are expected to be 60-65 °F. Minimum relative humidities are expected to be 43-48%. North-Northwest winds are expected to be 8-15 mph throughout the day with gusts of 30 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.