



Shasta-Trinity and Six Rivers National Forests

South Fork Complex Fire

Update

Thursday, August 31, 2023



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

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Current Situation:

3-9 Fire: 2,686 acres with 26% containment

Pilot Fire: 1,055 acres with 96% containment

Pellitreau Fire: 3 acres with 100% containment

Sulphur Fire: 31 acres with 100% containment

46% overall containment for the Complex

People and Equipment:

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

3-9 Fire No major movement occurred along the southern perimeter yesterday in the area of the slop over, with the exception of a few spot fires that are contributing to a small amount of fire spread to the south. On the southeastern flank of the slop over, dozers, engines, and hand crews were able to go direct along the fire perimeter. Aircraft assisted crews by placing retardant along the south and southwestern flank of the slop over to prevent spread down to Pilot Creek and dozers opened up roads covered in fallen snags to increase access to the southwestern side of the slop over. Contingency line is being built along Henry Ridge west to Pilot Creek and firefighters will assess going north along Pilot Creek and going through Pilot Creek over to Pilot Ridge for additional contingency line. The northern division has 100% hand line completed around the perimeter. Fire personnel continue to add additional security to control lines, and spot fires in the northeast portion of the fire continue to be evaluated and secured with the assistance of aircraft.

Pilot Fire Crews have successfully finished 100% containment line around the perimeter and continued to focus on mopping up and adding depth. They will continue to get additional security on all control lines and backhaul supplies and trash. Resources are starting to be released from the Pilot Fire to assist with the 3-9 Fire.

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: Maximum temperatures are expected to be 64-70 °F, and minimum relative humidities are expected to be 35-42%. North-northwest winds are expected to be reduced compared to yesterday at 6-9 mph with gusts to 14 mph. In the evening, there is about a 20% chance of rain after 5:00 pm.

Evacuation Warning:

In Humboldt County, an Evacuation Warning continues to be in place for Zone HUM E 114 A and Zone HUM E 114 B. For more information go to the [Humboldt County Sheriff's Office](#) website or call 707-268-2500. In Trinity County, an Evacuation Warning continues to be in effect for Zone HYM-505 and Zone HYM-509. Please continue to check the [Trinity County Wildfire and Evacuation](#) website for up-to-date information.

Forest Closure: Forest Closure orders for the South Fork Complex Fire continue to be in effect. They 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.