



Shasta-Trinity and Six Rivers National Forests

South Fork Complex Update

Saturday, September 9, 2023

Fire Information: 530-330-5450, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

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3-9 Fire: 2,840 acres with 70% containment
Pilot Fire: 1,055 acres with 100% containment
3,929 acres and 80% overall containment for the South Fork Complex

Pellitreau Fire: 3 acres with 100% containment
Sulphur Fire: 31 acres with 100% containment

A total of 614 personnel, crews, air support, engines, dozers, and water tenders support the incident.

3-9 Fire - Fire behavior primarily consists of smoldering with slight flare-up potential as temperatures increase and humidity decreases. Isolated hot spots continue throughout the interior of the fire perimeter. Aircraft will continue to support fire suppression efforts today with water dropping missions. Crews will continue mopping up any hot spots with tools and water from hose lays along the lines. Along the eastern flank of the fire, crews continued to make good progress west of the Berry-Summit-Mad River Road. Firefighters continued to strengthen the containment lines along the northern and western portions of the fire yesterday. Crews will continue to work diligently to complete the remaining portions of open line and focus on strengthening these lines by mopping up well into the burn area to ensure there is no threat of roll out or escape.

The **Pilot Fire** is 100% contained. Crews will continue to patrol the fire perimeter to ensure that the fire remains within the containment lines. Suppression repair will continue along the fire perimeter.

The **Pellitreau Fire** and the **Sulphur Fire** are 100% contained. Firefighters continue to patrol the fires periodically to ensure fire remains within containment lines.

Weather: The benign weather pattern with high pressure off the west coast will continue for Saturday. Terrain driven winds will continue through Saturday with speeds of 15-18 mph. Temperatures will be in the upper 70s through the next couple of days. Minimum relative humidities are expected to be in the high 20% range.

Forest Closure: Forest Closure orders for the South Fork Complex Fire continue to be in effect and are posted on the [Shasta-Trinity National Forest](#) and the [Six Rivers National Forest](#) websites. Please avoid closed areas.