

Tiger Island, Hwy 113, Lions Camp Road & Elizabeth Fires
Daily Update – Tuesday, September 19, 2023
Southern Area Blue CIMT



Information: Hours: 8:00 AM – 8:00 PM Phone: 318-239-9263 Email: 2023.TigerIsland@firenet.gov

Louisiana Statewide Burn Ban: The State Fire Marshal's Office's order prohibiting ALL private burning and the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry ban on all agricultural burning, **remain in effect**. These are reevaluated weekly. Open burning with exposed flames is prohibited with no exceptions. The use of prescribed fires is also banned. More information is available at http://sfm.dps.louisiana.gov/doc/press/pr_2023-36.pdf

Highlights: Much of yesterday's efforts focused on strengthening lines around the spot fire on the south side of the Tiger Island fire. The Elizabeth Fire has been 100% contained and will continue to be in patrol status. The drying trend continues and reburn of needle cast was occurring on all of the fires, but they are staying within their original footprints as currently mapped. Crews continue to monitor, suppress reburn, patrol, and remove any needle cast along all control lines on all of the fires. Archery deer season started last Saturday, so hunter and firefighter safety will be paramount. Extra caution is required if you are hunting in or near the footprint of the fires.

Tiger Island Fire: 31,290 acres, up 203 | 84% containment | 204 personnel assigned (down 24)

Inciweb: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident-information/lalas-tiger-island-fire>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/TigerIslandFire>

Hwy 113 Fire: 7,124 acres, no change | 95% containment | 47 personnel assigned (down 24)

InciWeb: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident-information/lalas-hwy-113-fire>

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Lions Camp Road Fire: 785 acres, no change | 91% containment | 17 personnel assigned (down 5)

InciWeb: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident-information/lalas-lions-camp-road-fire>

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Elizabeth Fire: 940 acres, no change | 100% containment (up 5%) | 6 personnel assigned (down 7)

InciWeb: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident-information/lalas-elizabeth-fire>

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Equipment resources assigned to the fires include Type 6 Engines, Dozers, Tractor Plow Units, and Water Tenders. Aerial resources include helicopters and fixed wing aircraft. Additional support is being provided by Parish authorities and departments, Sheriff's Offices, and the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness.

Weather & Fire Behavior: Relative humidity is expected to increase slightly compared to yesterday, with temperatures in the 90s and winds shifting to east and then southeast. The change in direction will test firelines on the western side of all fires. New fire starts still have the potential to move quickly and spread. Heat is being detected by overnight infrared flights primarily in hardwood drainages, where duff layers are thick. With adjacent needle cast, there is potential for reburn to kindle and pick up speed as observed two nights ago with the large spot on the Tiger Island Fire. Over a third of the State of Louisiana is experiencing **EXTREME** drought conditions and that is not expected to change over the coming weeks.

Air Quality: Smoke may occur in areas of reburn. Air quality information is available at the EPA's Fire and Smoke Map at: <https://fire.airnow.gov/> .

Temporary Flight Restriction: A Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR) is in place over the [Tiger Island Fire](#), [Hwy 113](#) and [Elizabeth Fire](#) areas. If you fly, we can't. Aircraft or drone intrusions into the restricted airspace endangers aircrews conducting fire operations and aerial resources are grounded for safety. This unnecessarily places aircrews and ground fire crews at risk in a dynamic and dangerous fire environment.

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