

Tiger Island, Hwy 113, Lions Camp Road and Elizabeth Fires

Daily Update – Tuesday September 26, 2023

Southern Area Complex Incident Management Gold Team



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Louisiana Statewide Burn Ban

The Louisiana Office of the State Fire Marshal's order prohibiting **all** private burning and the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry ban on all agricultural burning **remains in effect**. This order is reevaluated weekly. Open burning with exposed flames and prescribed fires are prohibited. Visit http://lasfm.org/doc/press/pr_2023-36.pdf.

Fire Highlights

Overall, fire danger was considerably lower yesterday due to precipitation received on all the fires. Fuels on the ground are expected to be damp this morning but expected to dry out quickly especially in sunny and open grass fuel areas in the afternoon. Lighting is a possibility today and could especially hinder air and ground operation activities.

Crews continued to patrol containment lines, mop up threats and ensure lines are free and clear of needle cast. On the Tiger Island Fire, firefighters continued to seek out heat signatures identified on the infrared flight and mop those up. On the Hwy. 113 and Elizabeth Fires, crews continued patrolling and checking for hot spots while attempting to minimize damage to containment lines.

Yesterday, all four fires received anywhere from two tenths to a quarter inch of rainfall. Today, as weather allows, crews will continue to look for and mop up hot spots; patrol, hold containment lines; clean out needle cast; and create more depth ensuring that the fire remains within its current perimeter.

Tiger Island Fire: 31,290 acres, no change | 84% contained | 222 personnel assigned

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

Hwy. 113 Fire: 7,124 acres, no change | 95% contained | 36 personnel assigned

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

Lions Camp Road Fire: 785 acres, no change | 100% contained | 1 person assigned.

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

Elizabeth Fire: 940 acres, no change | 100% contained | 19 personnel assigned

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

Equipment

Type 6 engines, dozers, tractor plow units, water tenders, medical squads and ambulances are assigned to the fires. Aerial resources including helicopters and fixed-wing aircraft also are available. Parish authorities and departments, sheriff's offices, and the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness are providing additional support.

Weather and Fire Behavior

A slow moving or stalled front near the Interstate 10 corridor will serve as a trigger for scattered showers and thunderstorms this afternoon and evening. Partly to mostly sunny skies will make for another very warm and humid day. Toward the end of the week, mostly sunny skies, lower humidity and afternoon wind gusts will likely bring back elevated fire weather. Any rainfall will not be enough to erase the current drought conditions.

Fire behavior is expected to decrease temporarily with increased humidity, cloud cover and lower temperatures. There was a 20 percent reduction in heat reported from yesterday, mostly in drainages. Fuel in open, sunny areas will dry out quickly and initial attack may be needed in the area from fires caused by lightning strikes.

Air Quality

Smoke may occur in reburn areas. Air quality information is available at <https://fire.airnow.gov>.

Temporary Flight Restrictions (TFRs)

TFRs remain in place over the Tiger Island Fire (https://tfr.faa.gov/save_pages/detail_3_3911.html). A smaller, new TFR is in place for the Hwy. 113 and Elizabeth Fires (https://tfr.faa.gov/save_pages/detail_3_4065.html). Remember: If you fly, we can't.