

Quarry Fire Update
Monday, September 18, 2023

Stanislaus National Forest
Incident Management Team (Type-3)

Fire Statistics:

Location: The Quarry Fire is located on the Miwok Ranger District, Stanislaus National Forest, off Forest Road 3N01, east of Bourland Creek and approximately four miles west of the Emigrant Wilderness Border.

Acres burned to date: 9 acres.

Cause: Lightning

Total Personnel: 45

Injuries: 0

Background: The Quarry fire was one of many fires ignited by lightning strikes across the forest on September 9, 2023. District fire managers immediately worked to ensure these naturally ignited fires stayed within pre-determined boundaries. Fire personnel with the Stanislaus National Forest are currently managing the Quarry Fire to achieve multiple resource objectives.

These objectives include benefits such as reducing concentrations of fuels, re-establishing multigenerational timber stands, improving wildlife habitat, promoting vegetation diversity, and re-introducing fire into fire adapted ecosystems.

Today's Activities:

Today, the Quarry fire transitioned from Type 4 incident to a Type 3 incident.

Fire personnel conducted firing operations this afternoon successfully burning 4.2 acres bringing the total acreage of the Quarry fire to 9 acres.

Crews are identifying resources that need to be protected such as sensitive historical and archaeology sites and any other potential items at risk. This information will be implemented in a protection plan.

Crew 2, Crew 3, and Engine 332 will be onsite all night.



September 18, 2023: Fire burning in timber litter and adjacent brush on the Quarry Fire.

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