

Quarry Fire Update
Wednesday, September 20, 2023

Stanislaus National Forest
Incident Management Team (Type-3)

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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: 136 acres.

Cause: Lightning

Total Personnel: 58

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 dead ground fuels, re-establishing multigenerational timber stands, improving wildlife habitat, promoting vegetation diversity, and re-introducing fire into fire adapted ecosystems.

Today's Activities:

In anticipation of wetting rains predicted in the next few days, crews took advantage of favorable weather conditions today successfully increasing fire's growth. Firefighters effectively brought fire down two ridges towards 3N21 and fire east along 3N21. Crews successfully burned 107 acres today, bringing the total acreage to 136 acres.

Fire managers continue to assess and plan for various scenarios in the coming days depending on fire behavior, which is affected by weather, fuel conditions and terrain.

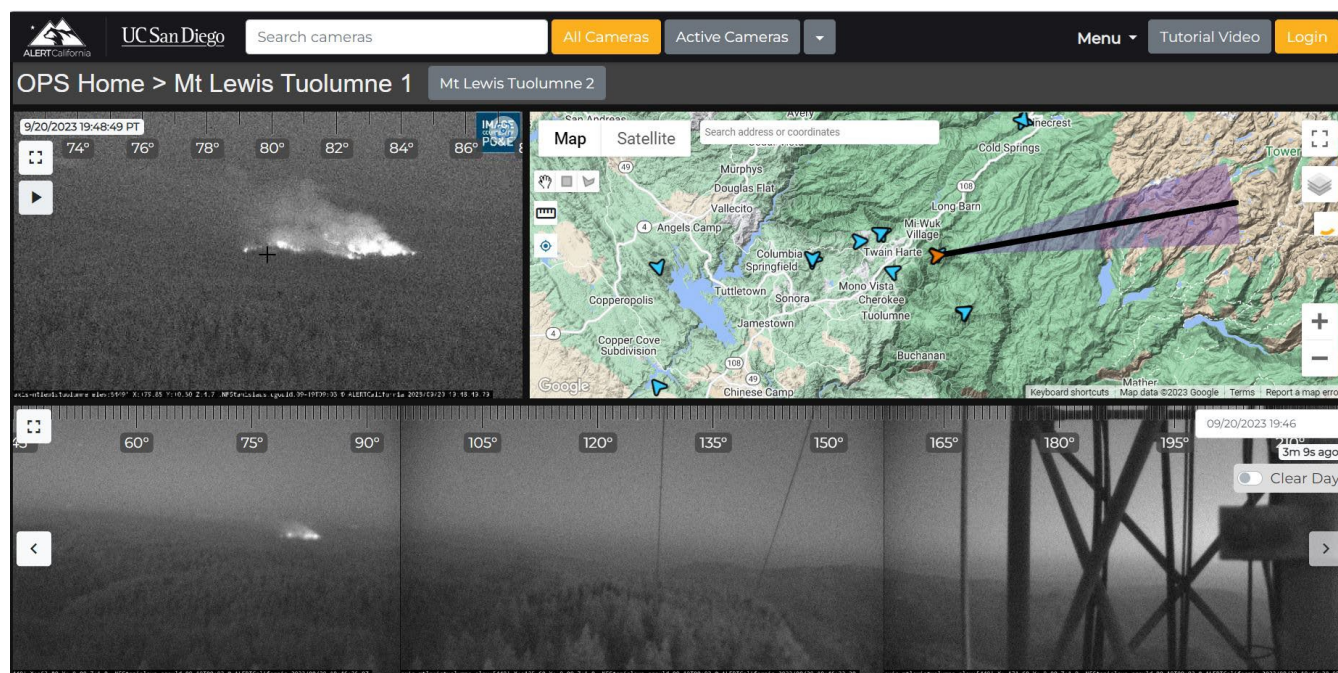
The goal is to continue to work with this naturally caused wildfire so it can fulfill its ecological role on the landscape as well as reducing fuel load on the forest floor.

Smoke can be seen from the Rim of the World overlook, Highway 120.

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



September 20, 2023, Jennifer Anderson (right), Quarry Fire Operational Chief, and Carol Ewell (left), Quarry Fire Behavioral Analyst, observe the Quarry Fire.



*View from Mt. Lewis Tuolumne 1, at 19:48 PT, September 20, 2023.
Click on the link to check out the live camera view, [ALERTCalifornia - Mt Lewis Tuolumne 1](#)*