

**Quarry Fire Update**  
Thursday, September 21, 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:** 596 acres.

**Cause:** Lightning

**Total Personnel:** 74

**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:**

Today, favorable weather conditions allowed crews to expand the fire area, burning east along Forest Road 3N01, southwest from the ridge near Forest Road 3N45Y and east along Forest Road 3N21.

By the afternoon the fire started consuming well, resulting in a mosaic effect of burned and unburned vegetation which will increase habitat diversity on the landscape.

Crews also scouted and prepped other areas to protect natural and cultural resources in future burn areas.

With hunting season in full swing, the public is asked to avoid active fire areas. Watch for signs that indicate the roads in the area may be temporarily closed.

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



*September 21, 2023: Fire personnel from Crew 2 burning near Forest Road 3N01.*