

## Quarry Fire Update

Thursday, September 22, 2023

*The next update will be provided on Monday, September 25, 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:** 900 acres.

**Cause:** Lightning

**Total Personnel:** 97

**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:**

Favorable weather conditions today carried fire well, increasing fuels consumption and acres burned.

Crews ignited ridges and high points above Reynolds Creek and filled in areas from yesterday firing from Forest Road 3N01, Forest Road 3N21 and Forest Road 2N71.

Smoke impacts along the Hwy 108 corridor from the Quarry Fire is minimal. Smoke drifting down from fires in Northern California have been visible at lower elevations. Check out the fire and smoke map at [fire.airnow.gov](https://fire.airnow.gov) for more information.

With the weekend upon us and hunting season in full swing, the public is asked to avoid active fire areas for your safety and the safety of the fire crews. The following soft closures are in effect on Forest Roads: 3N43Y, 3N27, 3N45Y, 3N22, in the vicinity of Clavey Meadow, Bourland Quarry, near Bourland Creek and Reynolds Creek.

Crews will be onsite all night.



*September 22, 2023: Elk Creek Wildland Fire Module conducting firing operations adjacent to Forest Road 3N22.*





*September 22, 2023: Smoke column the Quarry Fire moving to the northeast.*





*September 22, 2023: Crews re-supplying firefighters with fuel.*