

San Bernardino National Forest





## **VISTA FIRE**

Vista Fire Information Center 909-220-4253 Media Line 909-220-4290 2024.vista@firenet.gov

Hours: 7:00 am to 7:00 pm

Incident Website: inciweb.wildfire.gov

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# INCIDENT MORNING UPDATE

Date: 7-15-2024 Time: 9:00 am

Size: 2936 acres

Containment: 47% Total Personnel: 632

Structures Threatened: 416

Start Date & Time: 7-7-24 9:51 am

Cause: Under Investigation

Location: Southside of Lytle Creek

Containment lines on the Vista Fire were tested again yesterday afternoon by gusty outflow winds from nearby thunderstorms in the east, which caused erratic wind patterns. Firefighters successfully maintained the fire within its current footprint while remaining prepared for initial attack responses. Today, hotter and drier conditions will persist over the fire, with slightly lighter winds compared to yesterday and no anticipated thunderstorm development.

"Although the fire is not doing a lot of movement, there are a lot of moving parts. We have new equipment out there doing great suppression repair work. A hotshot crew is spending the night in a rugged part of Cucamonga Wilderness and will be putting in handline while minimizing impacts to the natural environment," said Nic Elmquist, Incident Commander trainee.

Firefighters will focus on patrols, mop-up operations, and improving containment lines throughout the fire area. Additionally, one crew will be inserted into the Cucamonga Wilderness via helicopter. This crew will be self-sustained for 24 hours in the wilderness, tasked with constructing fire lines to prevent the fire from spreading southward. Containment has increased to 47 percent.

The firefighter crews who worked overnight on the fire have completed their final shift and will now transition to daytime operations. The hard work and dedication of the night crews were paramount in achieving and maintaining containment and halting the fire's advance during nighttime.

The Forest Service has an area closure in effect on the San Bernardino and the Angeles National Forest. The public is prohibited from recreating in the fire area and should not enter the forest on Lytle Creek Road. The closure is in effect to protect firefighter personnel and communities. More information about the closure order is available on the national forest websites at <a href="https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/sbnf/alerts-notices">https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/sbnf/alerts-notices</a> and <a href="https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/angeles/alerts-notices">https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/angeles/alerts-notices</a>.

### AIR QUALITY:

Visit AirNow.gov for information and actions you can take to protect yourself and loved ones.

#### **ROAD CLOSURES:**

Lytle Creek Road is closed to the general public including all recreation areas north of Glen Helen Parkway.

## **EVACUATIONS:**

None.

Note: In an effort to quickly communicate information on impending dangers, the San Bernardino County Sheriff Department and San Bernardino County Fire Department send high-speed mass notifications via telephone and text messages. This system is known as the Telephone Emergency Notification System (TENS). To learn more about this service, visit the website for more information: <a href="https://sbcfire.org/alertwarning/">https://sbcfire.org/alertwarning/</a>.

#### **CLOSURES:**

Closure order in effect on the San Bernardino National Forest and the Angeles National Forest. Several roads, campgrounds, picnic areas, trailheads, and dispersed recreation areas are closed to the public to provide for firefighter, community and public safety. Recreation activities are prohibited within the closure area. More information about the closure order is available on the national forest websites at <a href="https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/sbnf/alerts-notices">https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/sbnf/alerts-notices</a> and <a href="https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/angeles/alerts-notices">https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/angeles/alerts-notices</a>.

#### FIRE RESTRICTIONS:

The San Bernardino National Forest has implemented increased fire restrictions. Campfires are restricted to those developed areas listed in the <u>Forest Order</u>.

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