



# HILL FIRE INCIDENT UPDATE Date: July 20, 2024



@2024HillFire  
@CAL FIRE Humboldt-Del Norte Unit



@CAIIMT4  
@calfireimt2390

**Fire Information:** 530-414-9056 or dial 211

**Hours:** 08:00AM to 8:00PM

**Email:** [2024.Hill@firenet.gov](mailto:2024.Hill@firenet.gov)

**Incident Website:**

<https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/casrf-hill-fire>

<https://www.fire.ca.gov/incidents/2024/7/16/hill-fire>

**Location:** Humboldt County, CA

**Size:** 5248 acres

**Cause:** Under Investigation

**Start Date:** Monday July 15, 2023, at 5:40 PM

**Percent Contained:** 2%

**Personnel:** 1512

## CURRENT SITUATION:

Last night activity continued in a southwest area of the fire and crews are currently working on holding lines in the area.

Yesterday afternoon, the fire showed an increase in activity along its south and southeast boundaries in the Mosquito Creek drainage driven by northwesterly winds. Air resources were able to utilize water to help slow the fire growth. Crews continue to construct and improve holding and control lines in this area; however, ground based heavy equipment use was limited due to ongoing fire activity.

Today on the south side of the fire, crews will be building a dozer line towards Mosquito Creek and go direct where possible. On the east side crews will continue doing road improvement on 6N06 road to Ammon Ridge to utilize as a holding line.

The fire continues to be influenced by terrain and increasing winds in the southern area of the fire. On the west the fire will continue to creep and in the interior islands and heavy accumulation of fuels will retain heat and smolder.

## WEATHER:

Today the area will come under the influence of an approaching upper-level disturbance. This will help slightly increase relative humidity. Winds will remain mostly modest out of the northwest with the strongest winds at low elevations in the late evening. Slightly increased mixing heights will aid in some smoke mixing, though high stability will inhibit any significant smoke transport out of sheltered areas. The disturbance moving overhead tonight will bring simultaneous much strong marine influence, especially to low elevations, but also a small (10%) chance of dry thunderstorms.

## EVACUATIONS:

Evacuation order and warnings remain in effect. For current updates on evacuations, visit <https://www.facebook.com/HumboldtSheriff> and <https://humboldt.gov/2383/Current-Emergencies>.

Conditions are subject to change at any time, visit <https://protect.genasys.com/search> for a full zone description. Sign up for Humboldt Alert emergency notifications at <https://humboldt.gov/2014/Emergency-Notifications>



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## CLOSURES:

Forest Closure Order currently in effect for the area impacted by the Hill Fire. It is temporarily prohibited to be on any national forest system land, trail, or road within the closure area. To view the closure order and map of closure area visit the following link [www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE\\_DOCUMENTS/fseprd1191963.pdf](http://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/fseprd1191963.pdf).

Road closures are currently in place on Friday Ridge Rd. at Forest Service Route 6N06, Friday Ridge Rd. at Forest Route 5N01 and Friday Fridge Rd. at Forest Route 5N04. For updated road closure information, visit [protect.genasys.com](http://protect.genasys.com) or [humboldtsheriff.org/emergency](http://humboldtsheriff.org/emergency).

## FIRE RESTRICTIONS:

Forest fire restrictions also went into effect on July 12<sup>th</sup>. Campfires and stove fires are restricted to those developed areas listed in the forest order located at [https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE\\_DOCUMENTS/fseprd1188610.pdf](https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/fseprd1188610.pdf). Smoking, welding, and operating an internal combustion engine also have restrictions in place.