



Sheering Fire Update

Tuesday July 9, 2024



LOCATION: Stanislaus National Forest

ACRES: 528

INJURIES/ACCIDENTS: 2 (minor)

DATE STARTED: June 24, 2024

PERCENT CONTAINED: 65%

TOTAL PERSONNEL: 135

Fire Resources include: 3 Hand Crews, 1 Helicopter, 7 Engines, 1 Dozer, 1 Water Tender

CURRENT SITUATION: Yesterday, firefighters were able to complete mop-up, hose lays, and hazardous tree removal in several areas around the fire perimeter. This work significantly increased the fire's containment, including along the west side, down to the southern edge, and the southeast line between Forest Road 3N01 and Lost Creek. Crews continue to hold and monitor these areas and the eastern containment line along Forest Road 3N01.

Firefighters also started mopping up adjacent to Lost Creek on the south side of the fire, utilizing this five-foot-wide waterway as their southern containment line. They will continue to fall standing dead trees that threaten the fire line and put out any areas where heat is detected. In addition, dozers have completed a contingency line on the ridge above Lost Creek.

WEATHER & FIRE BEHAVIOR: Fire behavior continues to be low to moderate, with highly variable consumption of brush and large downed wood, and a slow rate of spread. Hot and dry weather will continue this week with a gradual cool down through the weekend. Daytime relative humidities will be in the teens and 20s with poor overnight recoveries (max in the 30s). Winds will be generally light, and terrain driven with occasional afternoon gusts up to 15 mph.

SMOKE CONDITIONS: Although this fire has not produced notable smoke for several days, this region may experience occasional smokey and unhealthy conditions from a combination of burning fires in central California. For more information on air quality, go to: <https://fire.airnow.gov/>

FIRE RESTRICTIONS: Fire restrictions on the Stanislaus National Forest go into effect today, July 9, 2024, for the high and moderate fire hazard areas. Additional restrictions for the low fire hazard areas will likely go into effect shortly so please check before you go. We remind all forest visitors that responsible fire use is crucial. Escaped campfires can result in devastating wildfires, endangering lives, property, and natural resources. Everyone is required to obtain a campfire permit to have fires in dispersed campsites outside of the restricted areas. To obtain a fire permit, go to any Forest Service office or online at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/detailfull/stanislaus/alerts-notice>

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