

Apache Fire Incident Update July 29, 2024 Apache Fire Phone: 213-631-5455 Hours: 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. Apache Fire Email: <u>2024.apache@firenet.gov</u>



Apache Fire Start: Tuesday, July 23, 2024, at 6:31 p.m. Cause: Under investigation Location: Maricopa Highway and Apache Canyon Road, Cuyama Valley, Ventura County Size at time of update: 1,538 acres Containment: 62% Personnel: 246 Incident Details: <u>https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/calpf-apache-fire</u>

## **Resources:**

Hand Crews: 5

Engines: 8

Water Tenders: 4

Containment of the Apache fire is increasing rapidly, and no further growth is expected. Firefighters are continuing to suppress pockets of heat in and along the fireline to reduce the chance of fire spread. Rattlesnakes are being encountered on the fireline at an increasing rate compared to past days. Firefighters walked the perimeter of the fire using GPS units and reduced the acreage based on the more accurate measurement methods. A Temporary Flight Restriction is still in place due to the continued use of unmanned aerial systems in monitoring the fire.

Crews are continuing to perform suppression repair work on contingency lines constructed before forward progress of the fire was stopped.

The fire is burning adjacent to Maricopa Highway (CA-33). The highway remains open. Motorists are encouraged to be alert for firefighters and equipment in the area. Please check road conditions at <u>https://roads.dot.ca.gov/</u> prior to driving through the area.

Also, with the ongoing deer season, firefighters are encountering bow-hunters along the fireline and adjacent lands.

**Forest Closure:** A forest closure is in effect in the Apache Fire area, Forest Order 05-07-57-24-18. Please check the Los Padres National Forest page at https://www.fs.usda.gov/s/lpnffor additional information prior to visiting the area.

**Forecast for Monday:** Temperatures will be lower over the next couple days with highs in the fire area ranging from low to mid 90 degrees. Relative humidity will remain low at 17-25%. Winds will be out of the northwest 5-10 mph with gusts of 15-18 mph. A light chance of precipitation may be on the horizon starting the next weekend.

Evacuation Areas: All evacuation warnings and evacuation orders have been lifted.

## Social Media:

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