Borel Fire Incident Update

Monday, August 6, 2024

Fire Information: 559-481-7849, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. **Media Line:** 559-492-9967, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Email: 2024.lightning@firenet.gov Linktree: linktr.ee/2024sqflightning













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Containment: 75%



Acres: 59,340

Total Personnel: 1.619

Current Situation: The Borel Fire remains at 59,340 acres and is 75% contained. There was minimal fire activity overnight as ground crews strengthened containment lines around the fire. As the Hot and dry weather condition persist, smoke may become visible as a result of interior fuels burning within the fire perimeter. Wind will be out of

For more information on the Borel Fire, visit: https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/casqf-borel-fire

the west/northwest at 8-12mph and will peak at 20 mph

Borel Fire: On the northern portion of the fire crews continue to monitor and patrol. Both air and ground resources continue to work along Sunrise Highway/02 Road area to strengthen containment lines near Bald Peak on the northeastern portion of the fire. Crews will continue to strengthen the containment line along the fire perimeter and will address interior fuels. Firefighting resources will continue to work towards gaining more containment in the area over the next several days. On the eastern side of the fire, crews continue to improve handline in the south fork of Erskine Creek. On the southern edge of the fire, crews will monitor, patrol, mop up as necessary and work towards suppression repair. Critical infrastructure needs in the affected communities continue to be assessed and repaired to ensure the area is safe from not only fire damage, but all other hazards.

A Local Assistance Center will be opening for those affected by the Borel Fire at the Lake Isabella Senior Center, 6401 Lake Isabella Blvd. Lake Isabella, CA 93240 on August 10th through 13th from 10:00 am until 7:00 pm.

Trout and Long Fire: For continuing information, please visit: https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/casqf-2024-sqf-lightning

Weather & Air Quality: The warming and drying trend will continue, for several days, into the middle of the week. Westerly winds will remain over the fire today with gusts up to 20mph. A daily smoke outlook is produced for communities affected by wildfire smoke: tinyurl.com/452x2uzr.

Sequoia National Forest & BLM Closures & Restrictions: Sequoia National Forest lands, roads, trails, and recreation sites around the Trout and Long Fires are temporarily closed under Forest Order No. 0513-24-12. Lands, roads, trails, and recreation sites around the Borel Fire are closed under Forest Order No. 0513-24-14. Fire restrictions are in effect under Forest Order No. 0513-24-10. All orders, maps, and accompanying appendices can be found on the Forest's website: tinyurl.com/2en2d36k. The Bureau of Land Management Bakersfield Field Office has temporarily closed Long Valley Campground, Chimney Creek Campground, and portions of the Pacific Crest Trail (PCT). View the emergency closure order here: tinyurl.com/4mprcb9b. The PCT is closed between Hwy 178 at Walker Pass (mile 653) and the South Fork of the Kern River bridge (mile 717.7).

Evacuation Center: The Tehachapi Education Center located at 126 S. Snyder Ave., Tehachapi has been placed in a standby status, due to no residents currently utilizing the service. The shelter is available and ready to assist upon request if the need arises for the communities affected by the evacuation orders and warnings. Animal services are available to assist in sheltering companion animals at the center. Contact the American Red Cross at 1-800-733-2767 to utilize these services.

<u>Large-Animal Assistance:</u> The rodeo grounds in Kernville (467 Scodie Ave., Kernville) is available for residents who need to move large animals or livestock. For more information, contact Orion, Kernville Chamber of Commerce, 661-340-0026.

<u>Road Closures:</u> Portions of Caliente Bodfish Road are also closed. Visit the Kern County Public Works Department website for the most up to date information on county road closures (tinyurl.com/z6crvp6t)

Evacuations: Everyone in areas of active fires should "Know Your Zone." Go to Genasys Protect (tinyurl.com/jcdv55f9) to identify the zone you reside in. Several changes to evacuation orders and warnings have been announced, as described below. Those that remain under an evacuation warning should stay PREPARED to leave.