Truckee Meadows Fire & US Forest Service Unified Command



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Starting on Tuesday, Sept. 10, Davis Fire information is now being shared on the following information platforms:

• X: https://x.com/humboldttoiyabe (#DavisFire)

• Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/HumboldtToiyabeNF/ (#DavisFire)

• InciWeb Website: https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/nvhtf-davis-fire

• Incident Information: 775-446-5520, Incident Email: 2024.Davis@firenet.gov

Incident Information

• Start: Sept 7, 2024

• Cause: Under Investigation

• Size: 5,000

• Percent Containment: 0%

• Helicopters: 12

• Heavy Equipment/Dozers: 10

Engines: 58Crews: 15

• Total Personnel: 600

The Davis Fire is estimated at 5,000 acres, containment remains at 0%. Fourteen structures are currently known to be impacted, and damage assessments will continue in the impacted area of the Davis fire when it is safe to do so. Fire crews continue full suppression efforts, prioritizing the protection of life, property, and critical infrastructure.

Southwest Area Incident Management Team 1, a Complex Incident Management Team, assumed management of the fire at 6 p.m. this evening. Southwest Incident Management Team 1 will be helping increase the management capabilities for this fire while continuing to work with local agencies. A community briefing is being planned for Tuesday, Sept. 10, 7 p.m. at Depoali Middle School, 9300 Wilbur May Parkway, Reno, NV 89521.

Today, Nevada Governor Joe Lombardo visited the fire, thanking firefighters and cooperating agencies for all their hard work and support of the incident. Washoe County Commissioner, Alexis Hill toured the fire area and expressed her gratitude for the fire fighters.

Firefighters' main objective today is working to keep the Davis Fire south and east of the Mt. Rose Highway. On the northern flank of the fire, crews continue to construct hand line and secure the fire perimeter. On the southern boundary of the fire, crews continue to mop up hotspots and around structures. The west and north flank of the fire remains active, dozers and hand crews are constructing fire line and going direct when possible. Scooper aircraft assisted on the fire today, dropping water in conjunction with hand line and dozer line construction.

A red flag warning for high winds is forecasted for tomorrow, with Wednesday expected to be the strongest prior to passage of a cold front. Smoke will continue to be visible in the Reno area from increased fire activity during high wind events. Check out the Fire and Smoke Map (airnow.gov) for more information on air quality.

In the interest of public and firefighter safety, the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest's Carson Ranger District is asking the public to refrain from recreating in the Mt. Rose corridor from Tahoe Meadows and east towards the fire.

Evacuation areas have not changed and remain in effect. The evacuations currently are north and south of Nevada State Route 431 (Mt. Rose Highway) to include Arrow Creek, Montreux, St. James Village, West Washoe Valley, Galena Terrace, Sky Tavern, Mt. Rose Ski Resort, and Logan Meadows. For more detail evacuation locations visit: www.perimetermap.com or InciWeb. Evacuations levels are being evaluated to determine when and where it is safe to reduce them.

There is an evacuation center is at the Senior Center located at 1155 E 9th Street in Reno, and Washoe County Regional Animal Services has mobile shelters on site for small animals. Large animals can be taken to the University of Reno Equestrian Center in Reno or Fuji Park in Carson City.

Washoe County Animal Control is available recover pets and large animals in the evacuation area by calling 775-322-3647 #1 (8 a.m.-10 p.m.). Dispatch will need the address, description of animal, where it is located on the property, and number of animals.

NV Energy has restored power to several thousand customers. At the peak there were 17,000 customers without power. Currently, there are 3,116 customers without power, which include those who are closest to the fire and where powerline infrastructure has been damaged and is being repaired. To learn more about outage preparation visit: www.nvenergy.com/outages-and-emergencies/outage-preparation-tips.

Old U.S. Highway 395 is open from Mt. Rose Highway to East Lake Boulevard but remains closed from East Lake Boulevard to Bowers Mansion Interchange. U.S. Route 431 (Mt Rose Highway is still closed. For updates on road closures, visit: https://www.nvroads.com/.

Please use caution when traveling in the area as emergency vehicles and fire apparatus are entering and exiting roadways and power outages have impacted some traffic signals.

Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District and the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest are currently in unified command in management of the fire, with Southwest Complex Incident Management Team 1 assuming management tonight at 6 p.m. Cooperating agencies assisting in the fire include Reno Fire Department, Sparks Fire Department, Carson City Fire Department, Cal Fire, East Fork Fire Protection District, North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District, Bureau of Land Management, County Sheriff's Office, NV Energy and Nevada Division of Transportation.