



# AIRPORT FIRE INCIDENT UPDATE

Date: 09/18/2024 Time: 9:00 A.M.

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## INCIDENT FACTS

<b>Incident Start Date:</b> 09/09/2024		<b>Incident Start Time:</b> 1:03 pm	
<b>Incident Type:</b> Vegetation Fire			
<b>Incident Location:</b> Trabuco Canyon, CA			
<b>Acreage:</b> 23,519		<b>Containment:</b> 35%	
<b>Injuries:</b> 15 (13 Firefighters, 2 Civilian)		<b>Expected Full Containment:</b> Unknown	
<b>Structures Threatened:</b> 20,780	<b>Structures Destroyed:</b> 160	<b>Structures Damaged:</b> 34	

## SITUATION

<b>Current Situation:</b>	<p>Firefighters are prioritizing continued fire line construction and reinforcement by adding more layers of protection in problem areas. Fire line between Modjeska Peak and Santiago Peak is challenging due to steep, winding terrain. Oak leaf litter and duff are providing fuel that allows the fire to slowly smolder and spread until it finds enough air to emerge and cause spot fires. Tree and brush canopy in the area can limit effectiveness of water or retardant drops from incident aircraft requiring firefighters to get in from the ground. A mobile retardant base has been set up on the south end of the fire. Retardant will be used to reinforce the fire perimeter in areas that have been difficult to access including the area between the San Juan and Chiquito trails near Sugarloaf Mountain. Secondary lines are being reinforced in that area.</p> <p>More than 30,000 feet of fire hose has been pulled from the El Cariso Village area. Crews responded to a burning snag well within the fire area last night. Interior hot spots near the area have been boxed in. The reopening of Highway 74 has significantly increased traffic. Motorists driving in the area should be aware of crews working near roadways.</p> <p>There is still a lot of heat from smoldering vegetation within the perimeter. Firefighters are working diligently to address hot spots to prepare for any potential Santa Ana wind event. Fire managers remain focused on securing the entire fire perimeter in coming days in advance of warmer, dryer weather.</p>
<b>Evacuation Center Locations &amp; Services:</b>	<p><b>Orange County:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Care and reception shelter(s):</b> Foothill Ranch library located at 27002 Cabriole Way, Foothill Ranch, 92610 is now open. Small household pets can co-locate.</li> <li><b>Large animal shelters:</b> Orange County Fairgrounds: 88 Fair Drive; Costa Mesa, CA        Los Alamitos Race Course: 4961 Katella Avenue, Cypress, CA        Nohl Ranch Saddle Club: 6352 E. Nohl Ranch Rd. Anaheim, CA</li> <li><b>Animal services:</b> OC Animal Care: 1630 Victory Rd., Tustin, CA; Orange County residents that need animal assistance can call (949)470-3045</li> </ul> <p><b>Riverside County:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Care and reception shetlers:</b> Ortega High School located at 520 Chaney St., Lake Elsinore, Ca.</li> </ul>



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<b>Evacuation Orders:</b>	<p><b>Orange County:</b></p> <p><b>Evacuation Order</b></p> <p><b>Mandatory Evacuation Orders remain in place for the following areas:</b></p> <p>Ortega Highway</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ELCO1 - which includes Blue Jay Campground</li> </ul> <p><b>Evacuation Order being released:</b></p> <p>Ortega Highway</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ORT01B - which includes Caspers Regional Park</li> </ul> <p>For updated evacuation zones, please visit <a href="http://ocsheriff.gov/airportfire">http://ocsheriff.gov/airportfire</a></p> <p><b>Evacuation Warnings for Riverside County</b></p> <p>RVC-1521-B RVC-1622-B RVC-1798-B RVC-1800 RVC-1802 RVC-1934-B RVC-1724-A RVC-1725-A RVC-1865-A RVC-1866</p> <p>Evacuation Orders RVC-1521-A RVC-1622-A RVC-1724-B RVC-1725-B RVC-1798-A RVC-1865-B</p> <p>****For updated evacuation zones, please visit <a href="https://rivcoready.org/alert-rivco">https://rivcoready.org/alert-rivco</a></p>																		
<b>Road Closures:</b>	<p><b>This will also include the following road closures:</b></p> <p><b>Hard Road Closures:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Trabuco Canyon Road and Trabuco Creek Road</li> <li>Santiago Peak Trailhead via Maple Springs</li> </ul> <p><b>The Hard Road Closure remains in place on the Orange County side for the Ortega Highway:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hot Springs Canyon Road North of Ortega Highway</li> </ul> <p><b>Soft Road Closures remaining:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Modjeska Grade Road and Santiago Canyon Road</li> <li>Modjeska Canyon Road and Santiago Canyon Road</li> <li>Silverado Canyon Road and Santiago Canyon Road</li> </ul> <p><b>Soft Road Closures being released:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Plano Trabuco Road at Joshua Drive</li> <li>Plano Trabuco Road at Robinson Ranch Road</li> <li>El Toro Road and Live Oak Canyon Road</li> </ul>																		
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<b>RESOURCES</b>																			
<b>Engines:</b> 80	<b>Water Tenders:</b> 34	<b>Helicopters:</b> 17	<b>Air Tankers:</b> 10	<b>Hand Crews:</b> 73															
<b>Dozers:</b> 25	<b>Other:</b> 0	<b>Total Personnel:</b> 1988																	
<b>Cooperating Agencies:</b> CHP, Orange County Parks, California State Parks, Orange County Animal Control, CalOES, OC Public Works, Orange County Sheriff's Department.																			

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