



# BRIDGE FIRE

## EVENING INCIDENT UPDATE

Wednesday, September 18, 2024



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**Unified Command:** CIIMT5, Los Angeles County Fire, Los Angeles County Sheriff, San Bernardino County Sheriff, CAL FIRE – San Bernardino/Inyo/Mono Unit

**Start Date:** September 8, 2024, at 2:12 p.m.

**Incident Website:**

[inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/caanf-bridge-fire](https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/caanf-bridge-fire)

**Fire Information:** (626) 662-0120

**Media Line:** (626) 470-1395

**Hours:** 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**Email:** [2024.Bridge@firenet.gov](mailto:2024.Bridge@firenet.gov)

**Fire Size:** 54,795 acres

**Percent Contained:** 41%

**Personnel:** 2,549

**Injuries:** 4

**Structures Damaged:** 19

**Structures Destroyed:** 81

**Cause:** Under investigation

**Location:** Sheep Mountain Wilderness, San Gabriel Mountains National Monument

**CURRENT SITUATION:** Today, firefighters continued strengthening containment lines and validating their progress, while also attacking the most active northwest and southeast flanks with ground and air resources.

On the northwest flank, firefighters brought the fire’s edge down to tie into road systems today, helping secure containment where rollout of burning material posed a threat to the line. Favorable weather conditions are still allowing firefighters to go direct along the fires edge to prevent further spread toward the Mile High and Paradise Springs communities.

Falling modules and other firefighting personnel are working on the northeast side of the fire, and throughout the Big Pines and Wrightwood communities falling hazardous trees, mopping up, and patrolling both areas.

On the northeast flank, crews are holding containment lines south of Wright Mountain, preventing the fire from progressing into the drainages north of Lytle Creek.

Thanks to the great work of firefighters, public safety personnel and utility companies, an evacuation order was downgraded to a Warning from Icehouse Canyon up to Manker Flats and the Mt. Baldy Ski Resort. Firefighters will still maintain a presence in this area to patrol, monitor, and mop-up.

On the south and west flanks, crews continue holding containment lines and validating that hotspots have been extinguished. Hotshot crews inserted by helicopter earlier this week continue constructing indirect line in the rugged terrain of the Sheep Mountain Wilderness to create secondary containment lines.

Damage inspection teams continue to update interactive maps for residents affected by the Bridge Fire.

For San Bernardino County: [prepare.sbcounty.gov/bridge-fire/](https://prepare.sbcounty.gov/bridge-fire/)

For Los Angeles County: [recovery.lacounty.gov/bridgefire/](https://recovery.lacounty.gov/bridgefire/)

**Evacuation Orders:**

- North, Northwest of Mt. Baldy Ski Resort
- Big Pines Canyon Road to the community of Big Pines

- East Fork communities of Camp Williams Resort and River Community

### **Evacuation Warnings:**

- Community of Wrightwood
- Mt. Baldy Village
- Icehouse Canyon Trailhead, north to the Mt. Baldy Ski Resort
- From San Antonio Canyon east to Telegraph Peak
- Shinn Road north to Icehouse Canyon is open to residents only

*For interactive maps on evacuations:*

- Los Angeles County: Genasys Protect website or download the app. <https://protect.genasys.com>
- San Bernadino: <https://sbcounty.maps.arcgis.com>

*For emergency alerts, please register here:*

- Los Angeles County: <https://ready.lacounty.gov/emergency-notifications/>
- San Bernardino County: <https://wp.sbcounty.gov/sheriff/alerts/>

### **Evacuation Centers:**

- San Bernardino County Fairgrounds: 14800 Seventh Street, Victorville, CA
- Pomona Fairplex: 601 W McKinley Avenue Pomona, CA (Gate 3, corner of McKinley/White)

**Animals:**

- Devore Animal Shelter: 19777 Shelter Way, San Bernardino, CA. (909) 386-9820. After hours: (800) 472-5609
- San Bernardino County Fairgrounds: 14800 Seventh Street, Victorville, CA
- Palmdale Animal Care Center (Small Animals): 38550 Sierra Hwy, Palmdale, CA
- Lancaster Animal Care Center (Small Animals): 5210 W Ave I, Lancaster, CA

*For more information on evacuation centers:*

- [www.redcross.org/get-help/disaster-relief-and-recovery-services/find-an-open-shelter.html](http://www.redcross.org/get-help/disaster-relief-and-recovery-services/find-an-open-shelter.html)
- <https://lacounty.gov/emergency/>

### **ROAD CLOSURES:**

- Big Pines Highway
- Big Rock Creek Road
- Largo Vista Road
- Mescal Creek Road
- Panorama Motorway
- SR-39 at the Base of San Gabriel Canyon
- Glendora Mountain Road north of Big Dalton Road
- Mt. Baldy Rd at Shinn Road (open to residents only)
- Mt. Baldy at Ice House Canyon Road
- SR-2 at Flume Canyon Road westbound

### **WEATHER:**

Temperatures were mild today with favorable winds which encouraged moderate fire behavior on the landscape. Colder temperatures, unstable air and higher humidity is expected tomorrow, but on Friday a warming and drying trend will return with offshore winds. There is a 10% chance of thunderstorms tonight into tomorrow, but wetting rain is not expected.