



BRIDGE FIRE

EVENING INCIDENT UPDATE

Saturday, September 14, 2024



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Unified Command: CIIMT5, Los Angeles County Fire, Los Angeles County Sheriff, San Bernardino County Fire, 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

Fire Information: (626) 470-0120 ***Original number***

Media Line: (626) 470-1395

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

Email: 2024.Bridge@firenet.gov

Fire Size: 53,779 acres

Percent Contained: 5%

Personnel: 2,625

Injuries: 2

Cause: Under investigation

Location: Sheep Mountain Wilderness, San Gabriel Mountains National Monument

CURRENT SITUATION: Today firefighters continued establishing and strengthening direct containment lines while also constructing secondary contingency lines with dozers and hand crews. Several helicopters working the hottest areas helped firefighters make progress, and additionally responded late this afternoon in an assist for containing a new fire start in the Lytle Creek area.

The northwest corner of the fire was most active today. Air operations plans to install a mobile retardant base tonight in that area to aid firefighters in directly attacking it aggressively with night-flying helicopters. Although interior “islands” of unburned vegetation remain in the northern part of the fire, firefighters also plan to go direct and continue holding and securing their containment lines to protect the community of Wrightwood, Pinon Hills and beyond. To the northeast, the fire has reached drainages on the west side of the north fork of Lytle Creek, however firefighters are prioritizing dozer lines and direct attack wherever possible to stop the fire’s spread.

The east side of the fire is less active, however still presenting risks to residents in the Mt. Baldy area so evacuation orders remain in effect. Structure defense groups remain in place throughout the day and night to mitigate any isolated heat and continue the progress made by the previous operating shift.

On the south side, firefighters are still holding their containment line at Sunset Peak area while they continue contingency line construction below it. This area of the fire is where they were able to increase containment percentage by 2 percent.

In the rugged and steep terrain of the Sheep Mountain Wilderness below Mount Baden-Powell, firefighters gained entry in three main locations to construct dozer line and hand lines while aircraft assisted them with extinguishing hotspots.

This afternoon, damage inspection teams released interactive maps for local residents affected by the Bridge Fire. For San Bernardino County visit: <https://prepare.sbcounty.gov/bridge-fire/>. For Los Angeles County visit: <https://recovery.lacounty.gov/bridgefire/>.

The next public meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 16 at Lytle Creek Community Center, 14082 Center Rd., San Bernardino, CA at 7:00 p.m. It will also be live streamed via the new Angeles NF Fire Info [YouTube page](#).

Evacuation Orders:

- Mt. Baldy Road, North Mountain Avenue and Shinn Roads from San Antonio Heights to Wrightwood and east to Cucamonga Peak
- Hwy 138 south to Lone Pine Canyon and Highway 2 east to Lone Pine Canyon Road.

- The community of Wrightwood.
- Lone Pine Canyon Road south to the forest.
- East Fork communities of Camp Williams Resort (café, mobile home park, campground) and River Community (near the resort).

Evacuation Warnings:

- West Cajon area of Highway 138 south to Lytle Creek and Oil Well Road East to Stone Basin
- San Antonio Heights and Upland from the foothills south to 23rd Street.
- Piñon Hills from Wrightwood north to Highway 138 and Lebec Road west to Los Angeles County.
- For evacuation warnings in San Dimas, La Verne, and Claremont please visit: [Genasys Protect](#)

“Know Your Zone” by visiting the Genasys Protect website or download the app. [Protect.genasys.com](#)

If not already registered 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
- Jessie Turner Health/Fitness Center: 15556 Summit Ave, Fontana, CA. (909) 854-5100
- Pomona Fairplex: 601 W McKinley Avenue Pomona, CA (Gate 3, corner of McKinley/White)
- Antelope Valley Fairgrounds: 2551 W Avenue H, Lancaster, CA

Animals:

- Devore Animal Shelter: 19777 Shelter Way, San Bernardino, CA. (909) 386-9820. After hours: (800) 472-5609
- Palmdale Animal Care Center (Small Animals): 38550 Sierra Hwy, Palmdale, CA
- Lancaster Animal Care Center (Small Animals): 5210 W Ave I, Lancaster, CA
- Antelope Valley Fairgrounds (Large Animals): 2551 W Avenue H, Lancaster, CA. Call (562) 706-8581

For more information on shelters, visit:

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

CLOSURES:

- SR-138 from Lone Pine Canyon Road to Beekley Road
- SR-2 closed from Big Pines to SR-138
- Big Pines Highway
- Big Rock Creek Road
- San Gabriel Canyon and East Fork of the San Gabriel River
- Highway 39
- East Fork Road
- Glendora Ridge Road and Glendora Mountain Road
- Mt. Baldy Road at Shinn Road intersection

WEATHER:

High humidities are expected tonight, with stronger southwest winds at the heel of the fire. Northwest winds will push down on the fire from the north side. Sunday will see cooler temperatures as well with a significant cold front dropping approximately 1/10 inch of rain and snow above 9,000 feet. Winds will switch from the southwest to the northeast on Sunday, testing containment lines on this fire. Favorable winds, temperatures, and humidity will continue until Thursday, however dry and hot conditions will start again this Friday.

For smoke impacts and an interactive map, visit fire.airnow.gov.

FIRE RESTRICTIONS IN OPEN AREAS OF ANGELES NATIONAL FOREST:

The Fire Danger on the Angeles National Forest is now “Extreme” [Angeles National Forest - News & Events \(usda.gov\)](#)