



COFFEE POT FIRE

INCIDENT UPDATE

Date: Friday, September 20, 2024

@SequoiaKingsNPS @calfiretuu

@sequoiaandkingscanyonnps5018 **Fire Information:** (559) 565-3132

Hours: 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Email: seki fire info@nps.gov

Park Information: (559) 565-3341

Hours: Mon. – Fri. 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Incident Website:

Command: SACIMT2 Fire Size: 14.104

Percent Contained: 93%

Primary Strategic Control Line: 96%

Personnel: 316 Cause: Lightning Start Date: Saturday, August 3, 2024, at 10:05 a.m.

inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/caknp-coffee-pot-fire

Location: Southeast of Three Rivers, CA

This is the final daily update for the Coffee Pot Fire. The Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks will release information if fire conditions change.

CURRENT SITUATION: The Southern Area Blue Team will transition to the local Type 3 Incident Management Team at 0700, on Saturday September 21, 2024. Firefighters will continue to monitor containment lines on all perimeters of the fire with special emphasis along Mineral King Road and the Horse Creek drainage area. Engines and firefighters will remain present in the Horse Creek / Mineral King Road area to ensure the fire remains within the current footprint and are able to respond to increase fire behavior, if needed. Suppression equipment continues to be backhauled from areas of the fire where no longer needed.

WEATHER: Following Thursday's unsettled weather pattern that resulted in temporary cooler and wetter conditions, a gradual warming and drying trend will begin on Friday. This warming will increase temperatures to 50-70 degrees over the fire elevations with relative humidity of 40-50%. Sustained west-southwest winds will reach 3-7 mph with gusts of 10-15.

SMOKE IMPACTS: Today is the last forecast for smoke related to the Coffee Pot Fire. Haze around the fire will be visible during the day. Expect GOOD air quality with some hours of MODERATE in areas closest to the fire. For more information on current wildfire smoke impacts in your community, please visit AirNow.gov or fire.airnow.gov.

EVACUATION NOTICES: The Tulare County Fire Department continues to have an Evacuation WARNING in place for zone TLC-E095. To find your zone, please refer to: <u>protect.genasys.com</u>.

FIRE INFORMATION: For Coffee Creek Fire information, please visit Caknp Coffee Pot Fire Information | InciWeb (wildfire.gov).

BLM AND PARK CLOSURES: The portion of South Fork Drive within Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks and trails accessed from the road, including the Ladybug and Garfield Grove Trails, are closed. Recreational access to the Mineral King area of Sequoia National Park is closed to the public. This applies to Mineral King campgrounds, trailheads, and area trails. All other areas of the parks are open but are likely to be impacted by varying levels of smoke and poor air quality. Park closure information is

available online at nps.gov/seki. The Bureau of Land Management has also issued a closure of the Case Mountain Extensive Recreation Management Area at blm.gov/press-release.

PUBLIC NOTICE: Wildfires are a no-fly zone for unauthorized aircraft, including drones. If you fly, we can't. For more information, visit knowbeforeyoufly.org.