



Dome Fire INCIDENT UPDATE Date: October 04, 2026

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Incident Websites:

<https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/caynp-dome-fire>

Fire Information: 209-662-7175

Media Inquiries: 209-662-7100

Hours: 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM

Email: 2026.dome@firenet.gov

Location: 1 Mile North of Wawona, CA

Start Date: 09/15/2026

Size: 6,736 acres **Percent contained:** 40%

Cause: Under Investigation

Personnel: 811

The Dome Fire was reported on the morning of September 15, 2026. It is in the backcountry of Yosemite National Park and located approximately 1/4 mile north of Chilnualna Falls.

OPERATIONAL UPDATE:

Fire activity increased yesterday as temperatures remained well above normal and conditions stayed dry. Resources were able to limit growth on the spot fires to the northeast with support from aircraft and firefighters on the ground. The most significant increase in fire behavior occurred in the southeast, where both fixed-wing aircraft and helicopters were used to reinforce suppression efforts. Today, crews will be constructing additional handline on the eastern side and continue addressing the spot fires from previous days. Firefighters will continue structure protection measures at the Ostrander ski hut including the installation of structure wrap. Patrol and mop up continue in the north and south, and crews will continue direct line construction on the west side.

WEATHER:

Partly cloudy skies are likely Sunday as weak low-pressure brushes by to the northwest. Mostly sunny skies are expected Monday and Tuesday. Warm and dry conditions will continue with highs mostly in the 70s and relative humidities are likely to come up slightly with minimums mostly in the 20-30% range.

AIR QUALITY:

Smoke Outlooks with air quality and forecast information are available at:

<https://fire.airnow.gov/#7/38.532/-119.416>

CLOSURES:

Yosemite National Park is open and operating normally, with the following exceptions. Glacier Point Road is closed due to reduced visibility from smoke and to safely allow firefighting operations. There are no imminent threats to infrastructure. The Four Mile Trail and Panorama Trail, providing access to Glacier Point, will remain open to hikers. Glacier Point Road will reopen when conditions allow. Backpackers already parked overnight at Glacier Point will be allowed to exit after the closure begins. The Chilnualna Falls trail, as well as the trails from the top of Chilnualna Falls toward Buena Vista and Crescent Lakes are closed. Ostrander Trail and all areas and trails south of it are closed. The closure order includes Mono Meadow and Buena Vista trails. The current Dome Fire Safety Closure Map is available at:

<https://www.nps.gov/yose/learn/management/closures.htm>

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