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Afternoon Briefing

HONEYDEW CREEK

Firefighters made significant gains on the Honeydew Creek fire in the last 24 hours. Control lines around the fire have been completed and will be improved today in anticipation of firing operations tomorrow on the southernmost portions of the line. The winds have begun to blow from the south and will today push the fire up against the already completed control lines in the middle portions of the fire along the King Crest Trail. Fire intensity is expected to be high with hot and very dry weather continuing.

Fire Information officers will be available to answer questions and to provide information at the daily community meeting scheduled for 12:30 p.m. at the Shelter Cove Fire Department/Community Center.

Drivers are cautioned to use extreme care when driving in smoky conditions. Keep your lights on and be visible. Please slow down when driving in areas where firefighting vehicles are operating.

Personnel and equipment recap for both the Canoe and Honeydew Creek fires:

70 hand crews, 14 helicopters, 75 engines, 9 dozers, and 267 support staff. Total personnel: 1894

Total acres burned to date: Canoe Creek Fire: 1249; Honeydew Creek: 10,284	Injuries: 17
Structures destroyed: 2 (outbuildings) Estimated 40% contained	Cost: \$ 11.2 million

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