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Afternoon Briefing

HONEYDEW CREEK

The Honeydew Creek Fire remained relatively quiet over night and made no significant gains. Red Flag Warnings for strong winds, high temperatures, and low humidity will continue to be a problem through the weekend. Last night the winds were out of the north and hampered any extension towards Shelter Cove. The relative humidity will remain low during the night and the fire is expected to be active throughout the Red Flag period. Firefighters hope to contain this fire between Kinsey Ridge and Horse Mountain

600 additional firefighting personnel arrived last night and additional engines and crews have been assigned to this fire and the Canoe Fire burning west of Myers Flat. Fire Information officers has begun daily meetings at the Shelter Cove Fire Department/Community Center to keep residents informed of the progress of firefighting efforts. The meetings are scheduled at 12:30 p.m. daily.

The cooperating agencies ask that residents in the area to please use caution when driving the local roads. Large fire agency vehicles will be on the narrow winding roads in the area. Even a minor collision could block these access routes and delay firefighting efforts. Please help firefighters protect you and your property.

Personnel and equipment recap for both the CANOE and HONEYDEW CREEK fires:

70 hand crews, 12 helicopters, 39 engines, 4 dozers, and 126 support staff. Total personnel: 1595

Total acres burned to date: 9914 Injuries: 14 Structures lost: 2 (outbuildings) Cost: \$ 9.2 million

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