



SHASTA AND TRINITY LIGHTNING INCIDENT FACT SHEET

Shasta and Trinity County Area within the California Northern Region



Thursday July 10, 2008 @ 0830 Hours

FIRE STATUS

Location: Shasta and Trinity County area, within the California Northern Region

Acres Burned:	57,779	Wind Direction:	North-northwest
Number of Fires:	158 (0 unstaffed), 112 contained, 43 have merged, 3 active	Fatalities:	0
Fire Started:	6/21/2008 (Sat.) 5:00am and into the afternoon	Percent Contained:	45%
Cause:	Lightning	Injuries:	34
RESOURCES:	Hand crews: 23	Structures Destroyed:	10
		Structures Damaged:	4
	Helicopters: 11	Engines:	197
	Fixed Wing: 4	Water Tenders:	44
		Dozers:	39

Total personnel assigned to fire: 1,599

Current Fire Situation:

A Red Flag Warning will continue throughout the day into Friday. The Motion Fire spotted across the western control lines and is moving toward Southfork Mtn. The Moon Fire has escaped control lines in four separate areas. The Moon Fire continues to move east and south making its way to the town of Ono, but firefighters were able to protect most structures and property. Establishing direct containment lines across the incident continues to be challenging. There were no injuries during this reporting period. Burning conditions are at extreme levels. Fireline repair planning and implementation continues. IR flights continue to map fire perimeters. Priority areas are those with citizens, residential and critical infrastructure threats. National Guard helicopters and fixed wing aircraft are assisting in water and retardant dropping efforts.

Evacuations & Road Closures:

Evacuations: Evacuations are taking place in the community of Ono. Evacuated areas: Rock Creek Road and Iron Mtn. Road, Benson Drive, South Fork at Placer and Cloverdale, Gas Point at Lower Gas Point, Zogg Mine Road to Muletown, Platina and Gas Point, Bland/Trinity Alps Preserve, Platina Road at Placer Road, Rainbow Lake and all tributaries, Buell Road, and South Fork at 299 West.

Road Closures: **Moon Fire:** Soft road closures are in effect at Muletown Road and Placer Road. Hard road closures are in effect at Paige Bar Road at Muletown Road, Platina Road at Bully Choop Road, Placer Road at South Fork Road, Placer Road at Platina Road and Lower Gas Point at both north and south ends of Gas Point Road. Muletown Road at the east end of the Whiskeytown National Park boundary is closed. **Motion Fire:** Hard closures are at Iron Mountain Road and Rock Creek Road to east bound traffic and a soft closure to west bound, Shasta Dam is a soft closure to Fator and Coram Ranches including guests, Rock Creek at Highway 299 West, Highway 299 at South Fork Lookout Road, and Granite Road at Trinity Alley Road



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Evacuation Center: Shasta Learning Center at 2200 Eureka Way in Redding, adjacent to Shasta High School.

River/Rail Trail: Unstaffed closures of trails on the west side of the Sacramento River from Keswick Dam north to Shasta Dam. Hornbeck/Walker Mine Trail on the east side of the Sacramento River from Quartz Hill Road north to Walker Mine Road and north to Shasta Dam.

Weather and Fire Behavior:

Expect higher temperatures and lower relative humidity. Temperatures are expected to be between 110-116 Degrees F with minimum relative humidity in the single digits. There will be gusty north to northeast winds between 10-20 mph with gusts 25-30 mainly on ridgetops and north and east drainages. Winds combined with very low relative humidity levels have produced Red Flag conditions. Strong high pressure will persist through Thursday and into Friday and will continue to produce very hot temperatures. Fire behavior is still expected to be extreme. Spread is by rolling material, uphill runs, and spotting. The greatest control problems are where topography is very steep with poor access which limits the direct control line by ground resources in certain areas. Active burning period will begin earlier than normal today due to clearing caused by night time winds and active fire behavior and will continue well into the evening within thermal belts. Spotting potential is very high.

Agencies Involved:

Cal Fire, United States Forest Service, State of California Office of Emergency Services, California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, California Highway Patrol, Shasta County Sherriff Department, American Red Cross, Bureau of Land Management, California Conservation Corps, Salvation Army, Cal Trans, Shasta Op Area Fire Protection, NorCal Fire Association, State Air Resource Board, PG&E, Department of Fish and Game, Shasta County FD, Trinity SO/OES, NPS, Sierra Pacific Industries, and OES Fire/Rescue.

Information concerning the SHU Lightning Complex can be accessed at the following website:

www.jointinformation.com

Continue to stay hydrated!