

Statewide Fire Overview



Friday, July 11, 2008 9:00 a.m.

Current Situation: Over fourteen hundred fires have been contained due to the endless efforts of firefighters from California, as well as from throughout the nation. Red Flag Warnings remain for much of northern California due poor humidity recoveries combined with breezy winds early this morning. Military C-130 aircraft have dropped in excess of one million gallons of retardant to date. Four Canadian air tankers arrived at McClellan airfield and will be deployed following inspections. The priority of firefighting is for the protection of life, property and natural resources.

Statistics:

Fires:

- **Peak Fires:** 1,781
- **Contained:** 1,459
- **Active:** 322

Acres: 752,944

Personnel Committed: 19,900

Resources Committed:

- **Engines:** 1,498
- **Crews:** 459
- **Dozers:** 282
- **Water Tenders:** 417
- **Helicopters:** 118

Items of Interest:

Highway closures: State highways, county and local roads are closed throughout California due to wildfire activities. Closures and delays remain in place for State Highways 1 (Big Sur Area), 32, 70, 96 and 299. Travelers are advised to seek current information from local law enforcement.

Evacuations: Areas of Butte, Kern, Monterey, Santa Barbara and Shasta counties are under evacuation orders at this time. Precautionary evacuation orders currently exist in areas in Butte, Kern, Mendocino, Monterey, Plumas, Santa Barbara and Shasta counties. Residents are advised to monitor their local fire situation, check with local law enforcement agencies for information, and be prepared to evacuate when necessary.

Structures:

Threatened: 12,924 residences, 135 commercial, 2,460 outbuildings.

Destroyed: 100 residences, 1 commercial, 126 outbuildings.

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