

Statewide Fire Overview



Sunday, July 13, 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. Additional firefighting resources from Australia, Canada, Mexico and New Zealand are in transit to assist California in the effort. The potential exists for isolated thunderstorm activity in northern California this afternoon. The long standing closure of State Highway 1 in Big Sur, associated with the Basin Complex Fire, was rescinded effective 8 a.m. this morning. The priority of firefighting is for the protection of life, property and natural resources.

Statistics:

Fires:

- **Peak Fires:** 1,781
- **Contained:** 1,493
- **Active:** 288

Acres: 825,418

Personnel Committed: 21,447

Resources Committed:

- **Engines:** 1,593
- **Crews:** 473
- **Dozers:** 293
- **Water Tenders:** 406
- **Helicopters:** 126

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 32, 70, 96, 199 (delays) and 299 (delays). Travelers are advised to seek current information from local law enforcement.

Evacuations: Areas of Butte, Kern, Monterey, Shasta and Trinity counties are under evacuation orders at this time. Precautionary evacuation orders currently exist in areas in Butte, Kern, Mendocino, Monterey, Plumas, Shasta and Trinity 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: 8,190 residences, 140 commercial, 2,508 outbuildings.

Destroyed: 100 residences, 1 commercial, 127 outbuildings.

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