



Telegraph Fire Incident Fact Sheet

Managed by CAL FIRE and Incident Command Team 8,
the Mariposa County Sheriffs Department,
and the Mariposa County Fire Department.
Fire Information Phone (209) 966-4784
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Evacuation Hotline (209) 966-1133 (recorded)



Date Updated: 7/28/08 Time: 7:00 am

Fire Name: Telegraph **Cost to date:** 4.7 million
Geographic Location: Telegraph/Sherlock Road, Midpines
Acres: 26,130 **Start Date:** 7/25/2008 @1510 hours

% containment: 10% **Estimated Containment Date:** Unknown **Cause:** Target shooting

Injuries: 3 minor injuries.

Current Threats: Community of Midpines, Mt Bullion Conservation Camp, the Mariposa Utility District water supply, 70 kv transmission line supporting Yosemite Valley, and numerous communication/repeater towers.

Evacuations: A mandatory evacuation in the Coulterville area was placed at 3:00 pm include Texas Hill rd and Dogtown rd from Texas Hill to Schilling Road. 25 homes were evacuated in this area. An evacuation advisory is in effect for all residences in the immediate fire area; which includes communities East of North Highway 49 at Mykleoaks Road south to the Highway 140 junction. This also includes communities west of Highway 140 from Mariposa north to Briceburg.

Evacuation Center: Mariposa Elementary School – 5044 Jones Street, Mariposa.

Animal Evacuations: Contact the animal evacuation hotline at 209-966-3615.

Structures Information:

12 Residence are destroyed.
27 Outbuildings
2000 Threatened
Damage Assessment Teams are still evaluating and getting updates.

Difficulties in control: Steep terrain, access, heavy and dry vegetation, high temperatures, low humidity.

Cooperating agencies: CHP, Merced County Sheriff, Mariposa SPCA

Current Situation: The fire is making major runs in all directions thru thick stands of Manzanita, Chamise, and Oak. Extreme fire behavior was observed with flames lengths of up to 100 feet reported. Similar burning conditions are expected in the next 24 hours. The fire is moving into the Sierra and Stanislaus Forest, affected 70kv transmission line providing power to Yosemite Valley. A firing operation in the Dogtown area may generate visible smoke over the next 24 hours.

Resources Assigned:

Engines: 268	Fire Crews: 62	Water Tender: 30	Dozers: 46
Helicopters: 4	Air Tankers: 6	Resources: 2543	