



Creek Fire Incident Update

Date: 09/30/20 Time: 7:00AM



Public Information Line: 844-668-3473
Creek Fire - Fresno Media line: 209-628-3097
Creek Fire - Madera Media Line: 559-492-7755
Incident Email: Creekfire2020@gmail.com
Incident Websites: www.fire.ca.gov
Https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7147/

INCIDENT FACTS

Incident Start Date: 09/04/2020		Incident Start Time: 6:33 P.M.	
Incident Type: Wildland Fire		Cause: Under Investigation	
Incident Location: Both sides of the San Joaquin River near Mammoth Pool, Shaver Lake, Big Creek and Huntington Lake.			
Forest/CAL FIRE Units: Sierra National Forest, CAL FIRE Units: Fresno-Kings, Madera-Mariposa-Merced			
Unified Command Agencies: US Forest Service, CAL FIRE, Fresno County Sheriff, Madera County Sheriff			
Size: 307,051 Acres	Containment: 44%	Expected Full Containment: 10/31/2020	
Civilian Injuries/Fatalities: 0		Firefighter Injuries/Fatalities: 3	
Structures Threatened: 4,576	Structures Destroyed: 855	Structures Damaged: 71	

CURRENT SITUATION

Current Situation:	<p><u>GENERAL INFORMATION</u></p> <p>The reported fire growth on the Creek Fire during the the evening’s operational period was 1,811 acres and the containment remained at 44%. Today’s resource count reflects assigned personnel and resources as reported by California Incident Management Team 5’s Situation Unit. As assigned resources are reconciled between the South and North Zone transition between the Creek Fire’s incident management teams.</p> <p>As areas under evacuation warning and orders are repopulated residents, business owners and others returning to the area must do so safely. Adhering to posted speed limits, following guidance of utility providers, and following manufacturer recommendations on auxiliary equipment (e.g. generators) must be implemented for the safe return to areas where orders and warnings are being lifted. Special attention must also be given to heavy machinery and firefighting apparatus still operating in the area.</p> <p>Residents should continue to prepare for potential interruptions in utility services and follow recommendations by utility providers. Additionally, manufacturer recommendations for generator use and only using them outdoors to prevent carbon monoxide poisoning within enclosed spaced such as homes and businesses.</p>
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NORTH ZONE

On the North Zone of the fire today, activity continued to be moderated in the early portion of the operational period due to to early low humidity. There was slight progression of the fire towards the northeast near Cattle Mountain. Fire activity will be present in Chetwood Creek, Norris Lake, East Fore Chiquito, and Northeast of Little Shuteye Peak, and south of Whisky Falls.

Diurnal winds and low humidity will keep the hot areas alive which could be fanned into short flare ups, especially where smoke clears off during the day. Smoke will be seen breaking through the smoke cap. Fire resources on the North Zone will remain committed to improving containment line utilizing heavy equipment and handcrews where bulldozers are unable to make access. There have also been preparations to ensure threatened structure are protected.

SOUTH ZONE

Today on the South Zone of the Creek Fire, it continued to bring activity on the eastern portion of the zone towards the 80 Road and Potter Pass. The fire progress will slow as the fire moves into fuel type transitions into lodge pole pine from red fir.

Fire resources will perform tactical patrol near the fire perimeter mopping up hot spots and ensuring structures are prepared for defense in the event the fire approaches communities. Containment remains a priority, and handcrews will be deployed in areas where heavy equipment (i.e. bulldozers) cannot be utilized due to challenging terrain.

Operationally, the Incident Command Post at Sierra High School will be relocated to the Clovis Veterans Memorial Building at 808 4th St. Clovis Ca. 93612. With this move, Information and support will continue in place at the Sierra High School. South Zone Media Line (209)628-3097 continues to be available for support of the community and media needs related to the Creek Fire Incident.


WEATHER INFORMATION

The significant change in weather brought downslope and downcanyon winds. The fire experienced drier air with reduced humidities and will have poorer moisture recovery in the evening. Combined with increasing temperatures through midweek, there will be increased fire behavior in all areas of the fire as fuels are able to preheat earlier in the day and hot spots will show more open flame and smoke. Stable atmospheric conditions will allow smoke from active areas of the fire within the existing perimeter to rise higher than in prior days. These may present as columns, which can shade other portions of the fire from sunlight, ultimately reducing fire intensity.

Fire resoures will be patrolling and mopping up in all areas of the fire as part of their tactical patrols and efforts to fully contain the Creek Fire.

Bullfrog Fire Information

The Bullfrog Fire is burning on the Sierra National Forest but is not related to the Creek Fire. An Inciweb page has been established for the fire. To view information open the following link: [Sierra National Forest Bullfrog Fire](#)

Sign Up for Emergency Alerts	<p>Fresno County Fresno County Emergency Alerts – Fresno Co. Everbridge alerts</p> <p>Madera County Madera County Emergency Warning Systems - mcalert.org</p> <p>Mariposa County Mariposa County Sheriff Office - msoalert.com</p>	
Damage Assessment	<p>Fresno County To view an interactive damage assessment map for Fresno County open the following link: Fresno County Damage Assessment Map</p> <p>Madera County The Madera County Sheriff’s Office is contacting property owners directly.</p>	
National Park Closures	<p>Yosemite National Park reopened September 25, 2020. For specific park information please visit National Park Service – Yosemite.</p>	
National Forest Closures	<p>The USDA Forest Service Pacific Southwest Region announces increased access to some National Forests in California beginning at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 19, 2020.</p> <p>Nine National Forests in California remain closed: Angeles NF, Cleveland NF, Los Padres NF, Inyo NF, Klamath NF, San Bernardino NF, Sequoia NF, Sierra NF, and Six Rivers NF. This decision will continue to be reviewed daily with evolving fire and weather conditions.</p> <p>Nine other National Forests may open to varying degrees. Visitors should contact the following National Forests for more information on their status: Eldorado NF, Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit, Lassen NF, Mendocino NF, Modoc NF, Plumas NF, Shasta-Trinity NF, Stanislaus NF, and the Tahoe NF. These forests will implement their own forest orders that will either limit dispersed use or provide for area closures around fires.</p> <p>Conditions can change quickly. Therefore, we emphasize that all citizens heed local announcements for changes in conditions and potential evacuations.</p> <p>For additional questions, please contact your National Forest.</p>	
Evacuation Map	<p>To view an interactive map of Creek Fire evacuations for Fresno and Madera Counties open the following link:</p> <p>Creek Fire Evacuation Map</p>	<p>Or scan the QR code:</p> 
Evacuation Zones	<p>Following are written descriptions of Fresno County Evacuation Zones</p>	
Evacuation Zones: Orders are indicated by red	<p>Fresno County Zone F6B: South and west boundary is just east of the Vincent Fire Road and Bob's Flat Trail intersection. The boundary expands to the north to include a largely undeveloped</p>	

portion which includes the Vincent Fire Road, south of Burrough Mountain Road. The east boundary is about a half a mile west of Cole Spring.

Zone F7D: Contains both sides of Huntington Lake Road, east of it's intersection with Old Railroad Grade Road, and west of it's intersection with Camp Sierra Road. The zone extends north to exclude the properties off of Stump Springs Road. The east boundary ends west of the Big Creek Fire Station.

Zone F9B: The south boundary is south of the intersection of Tollhouse Road and Flintridge Ave. The west boundary lays east of Big Creek, and includes "Camp Keola" to the north. The north boundary contains the south shore of Huntington Lake at the end of Huntington Lodge Road. The east boundary lays about a quarter of a mile west of Camp Kern.

Zone F9C: The west boundary lays west of Camp Kern. The north boundary includes the south shore of Huntington Lake. The east boundary lays west of China Peak Mountain Resort, and contains "Chinese Peak" to the south.

Zone F9D: The west boundary lays west of Gold Arrow Camp. This zone contains China Peak Mountain Resort, as well as Indian Pools Trail. The north boundary contains the northeast shoreline of Huntington Lake, and includes the huntington Boat Ramp Launch Site as well as "College Campground". The east boundary runs east of the Rancheria Falls National Trail.

Zone F9E: The west boundary runs west of the intersection of Huntington Lake Road and Rock Creek Road. It also runs (Including) west of the Tamarack Sno-Park. The north boundary is a half mile north of the intersection of Tollhouse Road and "9S69 Road". The east boundary contains the east side of 9S69 Road.

Zone F9F: This wilderness area contains the "Sand Flats" as well as the Red Mountain OHV trail. It is bordered to the west by Huntington Lake Road. The north boundary runs south of "Chinese peak". The east boundary lays west of "Red Mountain".

Zone F9G: This zone's west boundary is roughly a third of a mile east of China Peak Mountain Resort. The north boundary runs north of Black Butte Mountain. The south boundary is one mile north of Red mountain.

Zone F9H: The west boundary runs west of Red mountain. The north boundary is one mile north of Red Mountain, and extends to the east roughly a mile and a half from Red Mountain. The south boundary extends south of Foster Ridge.

Zone F10A: South Boundary is Huntington Lake Road and Kaiser Pass road, including the Kokanee Campground and Eastwood Sno-Park. The west boundary is Potter Creek and Potter Pass. The north boundary is Kaiser Pass Road at the fork to Sample Meadow. The east boundary includes all of Kaiser Pass Road and ends at White Bark Vista.

Zone F10B: The south boundary includes both sides of Kaiser Pass Road, north of White Bark Vista. Also included within the south boundary is Mono Hot springs and Bear Ridge. The north boundary includes all of Edison Lake and ends south of Devils Bathtub. The east boundary ends at the National Forest line.


Zone F11A: The south boundary includes the end of Huntington Lodge Road as well as properties that lay south of the intersection of Huntington Lake Road and Black Point Road. The west boundary lays just east of Mushroom Rock. The north boundary includes properties off of Huntington Lake Road from its intersection with Black Point Road to Huntington Lake Road's intersection with Bear Creek Tract. The east boundary includes the north shoreline of Huntington lake until (excluding) Bear Creek Tract.

Zone F11B: The south boundary begins at the fork of Kaiser Pass Road with the dirt road leading northwest to the Rattlesnake Trailhead. The west boundary lays just east of

	<p>Upper Twin Lakes. The north boundary lays south of Mount Tom. The east boundary lays about a half-mile northeast of Sample Meadow Campground, and about three-quarters of a mile west of Camp Sixty-One D Campground.</p> <p>Zone F11C: The south boundary includes both sides of Stump Springs Road. The west boundary is the San Joaquin River. The north boundary is south of the intersection of Stump Springs Road and Camp Creek. The east boundary lays just east of the intersection of Huntington Lake Road and Stump Springs Road. The boundary ends (excludes) just west of Black Point Road, and just east of Mushroom Rock. This zone includes both Nellie Lake and Bishop of Tralee Park.</p> <p>Zone F11D: This zone contains the predominately wilderness that lays north of Huntington Lake. The south boundary begins near the end of the developments of Lakeshore. The west boundary lays just east of Nellie Lake. The north boundary is about one mile north of Long Lake. The east boundary is at Potter Pass as well as just west of Potter Creek to the south of this zone.</p> <p>Zone F11E: South boundary consists of Stump Springs Road, north of Saddle Creek. West boundary is the San Joaquin River. North boundary is south of Mill Creek.</p> <p>Zone F11F: Zone includes the Mount Tom Area, and moves out west to the San Joaquin River.</p> <p>Zone F12A: Contains wilderness land south of Cockscomb and Pincushion Peak, north of Edison Lake.</p> <p>Zone F12B: Zone contains Pincushion Peak, Cockscomb, Silver Peak, Graveyard Peak, and Double Peak East.</p>
Road Closures:	<p>Fresno County: Hwy 168 at South Fork Tamarack Creek Rd.</p> <p>Madera County: Cascadel Road at Autumn Ridge Way – Hard Closure, Level 2 Mammoth Road at 59701 Mammoth Road (fire line) – Hard Closure Level 2 Road 274 at Putney Place – Residents Only, Level 1 Douglas Ranger Station Road at Mill Site – Residents Only, Level 1 Beasore Road at Road 274 – Hard Closure, Level 2 Road 274 at Central Camp Road – Hard Closure, Level 2 Road 432 at Road 331 – Residents Only, Level 1 Road 274 at Raod 331 – Residents Only, Level 1 Road 632 at Buckskin Lane – Hard Closure, Level 2</p>
Fresno County Resources:	<p>Fresno County: The County of Fresno has opened a multi-agency Local Assistance Center (LAC) at the Clovis Veterans Memorial District located at 808 4th Street, Clovis, CA 93612 to support residents impacted by the Creek Fire as part of the ongoing recovery process.</p> <p>The LAC will be open seven days a week from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. until further notice. This center will serve as a one-stop shop to help connect residents and property owners with assistance and resources available through a variety of state and local agencies. Available resources include, and are not limited to, critical document replacement services, social services, economic recovery and financial services, motor vehicle services, healthcare, mental health services and Red Cross.</p>

Residents and property owners seeking in-person assistance at the LAC will be reminded to practice COVID-19 prevention measures including wearing a face covering and maintaining social distancing.

Additional information regarding the Creek Fire can be found at <https://www.co.fresno.ca.us/departments/public-health/fresno-county-emergency>



Fresno County Resource Call Center
559-600-INFO

Animal Evacuation Centers:

The Fresno Humane Society has established lost and found animal call line at (559) 600-PETS.

Fresno County:
Small animals: Fresno Fairgrounds in the Commerce Building (the shelter at Granite Ridge was closed on Wednesday).
Large animals: The Fresno Fairgrounds - 1121 S Chance Ave, Fresno, CA 93702

Please contact the Central California Animal Disaster Team (1-888-402-2238) to finalize arrangements so you can be received at the Fairgrounds, or if you need assistance feeding animals at home within an evacuation zone.

Madera County:
 Residents in Madera County needing assistance with animals should call (559) 675-7892
Large Animals: Coarsegold Rodeo Grounds 44777 Rodeo Grounds Lane, Coarsegold, CA
Large animals: Producer's Livestock Facility at Madera at Farm Bureau in Madera, CA

ASSIGNED RESOURCES

Engines: 126	Water Tenders: 46	Helicopters: 10	Hand Crews: 35	Dozers: 16
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Total Personnel: 1837

Air Tankers:	Air tankers are shared between incidents and used as priorities and availability dictate.
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Cooperating Agencies North Zone:
 Madera County, Madera County Public Health, Madera County Fire, OES, CHP, Cal Trans, National Park Service, PG&E, CDCR, Southern California Edison, American Red Cross, California National Guard, California Air National Guard, Caltrans, U.S. Marine Corp of the 7th Engineering Support Battalion

Cooperating Agencies South Zone:
 Fresno County, Fresno County Public Health, Fresno County OES, OES, Shaver Lake Fire Department, Bald Mountain Fire Protection District, Auberry Fire Department, Huntington Lake Volunteer Fire Department, Big Creek Volunteer Fire Department, Pine Ridge Volunteer Fire Department, CHP, Cal Trans, National Park Service, CDCR, PG&E, Southern California Edison, American Red Cross, California National Guard, Caltrans, California Air National Guard, California Conservation Corps., AT&T, U.S. Marine Corp of the 7th Engineering Support Battalion