



# South Central Sierra Interagency Incident Management Team

**For Immediate Release**  
**Date: August 27, 2011**

<b>Motor Fire</b>	<b>Location:</b> Hwy 140 near Cedar Lodge	<b>Structures Threatened:</b>	70
<b>Acres Burned:</b>	3,000	<b>Structures Destroyed:</b>	0
<b>Containment:</b>	0%	<b>Injuries:</b>	0
<b>Fire Started:</b>	August 25, 2011 12:30PM		
<b>Cause:</b>	Vehicle Fire		
<b>Total personnel assigned to the Fire: 1,100</b>			

## Summary

The Motor Fire started August 25, 2011 at approximately 12:30pm on Hwy 140, along the Merced River and near Cedar Lodge. This fire is located in very steep, rugged terrain making access difficult. Firefighters continue to make progress in line construction. Hand and engine crews are in place for structure protection along with air support. South Central Sierra Interagency Incident Management Team assumed command of the fire on August 26, 2011 at 6:00P.M.

## Evacuations

- Cedar Lodge and Sierra Campgrounds in the canyon are under mandatory evacuations
- Yosemite West, Old El Portal, Rancheria, Incline, and Jerseydale have been advised to prepare for evacuations.

## Closures

- Highway 140 is closed

## Contact:

Fire Information: (209)372-0327 or (209)372-0329

For additional information visit: [www.inciweb.org/2520](http://www.inciweb.org/2520)