Santa Anita Fire Update

April 30, 2008 – 6:00 PM

On Scene Contact: Marc Peebles, PIO SCIIMT #3
Fire Information: 626-821-6700

Fire Status: Active
Location: City of Sierra Madre foothills
Acres Burned: 584
Cause: Under Investigation

Percent Contained: 88%
Date Started: April 26, 2007 (3:00pm)
Full Containment Expected: Friday, May 2
Injuries: 4 Minor

Resources:

Hand crews	14	Engines	11
Helicopters	4	Water Tenders	1
Air Tankers	0	Dozers	3

Total personnel assigned to fire: 419

Summary

As of Wednesday, April 30, 2008, 6:00 p.m. PST, the Santa Anita Fire has burned 584 acres north of Sierra Madre, CA. Approximately 238 acres are on National Forest System land within the Angeles National Forest, and 346 acres are within the corporate boundary of the City of Sierra Madre (see fire progression map posted to this site).

The fire is currently 93% contained.

The Angeles National Forest Fire Information Center **will close tonight** at 8:00 p.m.

Beginning Thursday, May 1, 2008, **fire information will be available** during regular business hours, from 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., by calling 626-574-5208.

The City of Sierra Madre Public Information can be reached at 626-355-7135.

Evacuation Update (6:00 a.m. April 30, 2008):

All evacuated areas, including the Chantry Flat area, have been re-opened without restrictions.

Closure Update (7:00 a.m. April 30, 2008):

Sierra Madre public schools (both campuses) are **open**.

Most other schools in Sierra Madre are also **open**. Please contact private schools directly to confirm the status of individual school closures.

Santa Anita Canyon Road (Chantry Flat Road), which accesses the Angeles National Forest, is **open**.

Weather, Fire Behavior and Smoke Conditions:
The trend of cooler temperatures and higher relative humidity readings will continue today. Winds will be slightly stronger than yesterday. A heavy marine layer should return tonight through tomorrow morning.

Agencies Involved:
US Forest Service (USFS), City of Sierra Madre Fire Department, California Dept. of Forestry & Fire Protection (Cal-Fire), City of Sierra Madre Police Department, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

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