



## El Dorado Fire: September 24, 2020 PM Update

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### INCIDENT INFORMATION

**Start Date:** 9/05/2020

**Location:** Oak Glen/West Yucaipa in San Bernardino County CA

**Size:** 22,604 acres

**Percent containment:** 81%

**Cause:** Human-caused

### **ASSIGNED RESOURCES:**

Hand Crews: 15

Helicopters: 9

Engines: 35

Dozers: 4

Water Tenders: 7

Total Personnel: 662

Injuries: 13 Fatality: 1

Residence: Damaged 2 Destroyed: 4

Other Structures: Damaged 4 Destroyed: 6

### **CURRENT CONDITIONS:**

No fire activity occurred today in the Oak Glen, Yucaipa or Beaumont portions of the fire and they remain in patrol status.

Today, firefighters continue to mop up around Angelus Oaks, Jenks Lake, and near the west fork of Barton Creek. Firefighters continue to build and re-enforce containment lines in these critical areas.

Pockets of unburned fuel continue to smolder and isolated trees continue to produce smoke in few areas along Hwy 38. In the area of the slide on Hwy 38 unburned fuels in the drainages are burning out and rolling out to the next pocket of unburned fuel. Firefighters are closely monitoring and attacking any fire near containment lines.

As a result of firefighters gaining additional containment on the El Dorado Fire over the past several days, Incident Commanders lifted evacuation orders at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 24, 2020 for the communities of Angelus Oaks, Seven Oaks and Barton Flats. All of these communities will remain under an evacuation warning, open to residents only with proper identification, until further notice.

Today the El Dorado Fire transitioned out of unified command with CALFIRE, San Bernardino County Fire, San Bernardino County Sheriff, California Highway Patrol at 6 p.m. and is now under the command of California Interagency Incident Management Team 13, Mike Wakoski Incident Commander.

The memorial service for fallen USDA Forest Service firefighter Charles Edward Morton will be held on Friday, September 25, 2020, at 11 a.m. in San Bernardino, Calif. The location will be at The Rock Church at 2345 S. Waterman Ave. Attendance to the service will be limited to invited guests due to space and social distancing guidelines. The public is encouraged to attend the service virtually, which will be live streamed on [the website of The Rock Church](#), their [YouTube channel](#) and the [Facebook page for San Bernardino National Forest](#)

**WEATHER:** Temperatures are predicted to be warm, dry, and breezy during the night operations period. High winds aloft continue to influence day time wind patterns.

**ROAD CLOSURES:** Please note that Highway 38 remains closed from Bryant Street. to Mile Marker 37 (located approx. 3 miles west of Onyx Summit). **Residents are allowed access to their communities with proper identification.**

**EVACUATIONS:** All evacuation orders have been lifted but, all previously evacuated communities remain under an evacuation warning. As you return home, please keep in mind that there will be firefighting personnel, heavy equipment and other cooperators working in the area. Expect to see and smell smoke along with occasional Please drive with EXTREME caution. Slow down, obey all traffic laws and expect possible traffic delays.

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FOREST CLOSURES:** All four Forests in Southern California, the Cleveland, San Bernardino, Angeles, and Los Padres remain closed to all public use due to the extreme fire conditions and critical limitations on firefighting resources. [Regional Order No. 20-12 Emergency Forest Closure](#)

**RETURNING HOME AFTER A WILDFIRE:** Although wildfire damage can be immeasurable, the danger is not over after the flames are put out. Flash flooding and debris flows, structural damage, road instability, and damaged trees are just some of the dangers that exist after a wildfire. [ReadyforWildFire.org](#)

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