



Silverado Fire Update



September 13, 2014 Evening Update

Location: Cleveland National Forest
Percent Contained: 10%
Acres Burned: 1,500
Resources: Hand crews 26
Helicopters 9
Dozers 4

Date Started: September 13, 2013 @10:40a.m.
Injuries: 3
Cause: Under Investigation
Engines 43
Water Tenders 3

Total personnel assigned to fire: 826

The Cleveland National Forest is currently fighting the Silverado Fire along with cooperation from State and local agencies.

The fire started on September 12th at approximately 10:40 a.m. near the 30500 block of Silverado Canyon Road and has burned 1500 Acres. The terrain is steep and rugged and poses challenges to firefighters. Dry, drought ravaged chaparral and brush, coupled with unusually hot weather are fueling the fire, which remains 10% contained. Record high temperatures are predicted for Sunday, September 14. The fire perimeter remains roughly the same.

The evacuation order affecting 217 residents remains in place from 30331 Silverado Canyon Road east to the end of the road.

SCE has stated that the 500 Kv line continues to be threatened by the fire. Two power poles were damaged during the fire and residents connected in that area remain without power. The ETA for power restoration is presently unknown.

Due to fire activity and incident related vehicular traffic, in and around the Silverado Fire, all access roads and gates will remain closed for the next 24-48 hours. The closure includes all communications site users and special use permit holders. For emergency access to communications sites, contact Silverado Fire Information at 619 756 4281.

Smoke Impacts

Smoke from the Silverado Fire will continue to be visible during active burning periods in the local communities. Depending on changing weather conditions, smoke may create decreased visibility and increased problems for people with respiratory diseases. Predicted weather conditions may see an increase in smoke density over the next five days. For additional information on smoke conditions and health effects, visit the South Coast Air Quality Management District, www.aqmd.gov/

Road Closures/Evacuations:

There is a soft closure at Silverado Canyon Road and Santiago Canyon Road: OPEN TO RESIDENTS ONLY.
There is a hard closure at 30331 Silverado Canyon Road eastward; NO ONE ALLOWED PAST THAT POINT.

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For more information please go to <http://www.incweb.nwcg.gov/incident/4105/#>

