



# Silverado Fire Update



## September 15, 2014 Evening Update

**Location:** Cleveland National Forest

**Percent Contained:** 87

**Acres Burned:** 968

**Resources:** Hand crews 17  
Helicopters 4  
Dozers 4

**Date Started:** September 12, 2013 @10:40 a.m.

**Injuries:** 1

**Cause:** Accidental

Engines 30

Water Tenders 6

**Total personnel assigned to fire: 716**

The US Forest Service in unified command with Orange County Fire Authority, on the Cleveland National Forest, continues to fight the Silverado Fire, along with cooperation from State and local agencies, including CALFIRE, Cal OES, OC Sheriff, CHP, Southern California Edison, Irvine Regional Park, and Irvine Ranch Water District.

The fire started on September 12<sup>th</sup> at approximately 10:40 a.m. near the 30500 block of Silverado Canyon Road. The acreage has been adjusted to 968 acres. Firefighters continued to make good progress today. Approximately ½ an acre burned within the interior of the fire, but posed no threat to established containment lines.

The fire cause was released by Orange County Fire Authority and was determined to be accidental.

### Area Rehabilitation

Rehabilitation has begun and the BAER (Burn Area Emergency Response) team has arrived and surveyed the area of the fire. The stabilization work begins before the fire is out and may continue for up to a year to prevent further damage to life, property or natural resources. BAER teams are staffed by specially trained professionals; hydrologists, soil scientists, engineers, biologists, vegetation specialists, archeologists, and others who rapidly evaluate the burned area and prescribe emergency stabilization treatments. To learn more about these highly specialized teams, visit the US Forest Service website at <http://www.fs.fed.us/biology/watershed/burnareas/background.html>

### Smoke and Weather Impacts

A smoke advisory remains in effect for the areas near the fire. For additional information on smoke conditions and health effects, visit the South Coast Air Quality Management District, [www.aqmd.gov/](http://www.aqmd.gov/).

### Community Meeting

There will be a community meeting on Tuesday, September 16, 2014, at 7 pm, at the Calvary Church of the Canyons, located at 8002 Silverado Canyon Rd., in Silverado.

### Road Closures/Evacuations

Portions of the Trabuco Ranger District remain closed. All forest access roads and gates in and around the fire will remain closed to public use. Communications site users needing access for routine or emergency purposes should contact Silverado Fire Information at 619 756 4281.

The hard closure at Silverado Canyon Road and Santiago Canyon Road will be lifted after 8pm tonight and the roads will be open to the public.

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



