



KING FIRE UPDATE

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<http://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/4108/>

Fire Information Line: (530) 647-5218

Zone 1 (north portion) Media Information Line: (925) 588- 6770

Zone 2 (south portion) Media information Line: (530) 708- 2724

County: El Dorado and Placer

Current Acreage Burned: 87,592

Structures Damaged or Destroyed: Information below

Structures Threatened: 21,000 (12,000 residences)

People Evacuated: 2,819

Fire Start: 9/13/14

Percent Containment: 18%

Injuries: 4

Cause: Arson

Total Personnel Assigned: 5,557

Current Situation: The King Fire is burning in steep terrain in the South Fork of the American River Canyon, Silver Creek Canyon, and the Rubicon Canyon, north of the community of Pollock Pines. The fire has crossed into Placer County and has burned onto the Tahoe National Forest. The fire may become very active today with the return of high temperatures and lower humidity. The spread is expected to be predominantly towards the northeast due to the southwest wind. The main fire edge is spreading north along the ridge between French Meadows Reservoir and Hell Hole Reservoir and into the 2001 Star Fire scar, where lighter fuels could naturally slow fire spread. Crews are clearing brush and vegetation in the scar area to make an even more effective barrier. Crews have begun work on contingency lines to the north of the fire, clearing brush from Soda Springs Road, so it can serve as a containment line, if needed.

The King Fire is being managed in Unified Command with CAL FIRE, Eldorado National Forest, and the El Dorado County Sheriff's Office. Federal Team CIIMT 5 (Jim Giachino) will be coordinating firefighting operations of Zone 1 (north portion) of the fire, and CAL FIRE IMT 5 (Kevin Smith) took over management of Zone 2 (southern portion) of the fire. The damage assessment of the White Meadows area continues, currently 10 residences and 22 other type structures were destroyed.

Evacuations: Go to the El Dorado County Sheriff's blog (pio.edso.org) and web page at www.edcgov.us/Government/El_Dorado_County_King_Fire_Information.aspx. The Sheriff's office manages all evacuation activities for the county and is updating information as changes occur. To assist in this effort, the Chief Administrative Office of El Dorado County has set up a hotline and webpage. The hotline phone number is (530) 642-7263. The hotline will be available from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday – Friday and 8:00 a.m to 5:00 p.m. Saturday - Sunday. Voicemail is available outside of the hotline hours. Information will also be updated via the County's Twitter [@CountyElDorado](https://twitter.com/CountyElDorado) and [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/CountyElDorado). Law Enforcement from several agencies continue to patrol the evacuated areas.

Evacuation Shelter Location: The evacuation shelter is located at the Camino Seventh-day Adventist Church at 3520 Carson Road in Camino.

Community Meetings: On Monday September 22, 2014 there will be two community meetings, one will be located at Golden Sierra High School, 5101 Garden Valley Road in Garden Valley. The second location will be at the Camino Seventh-day Adventist Church at 3520 Carson Road in Camino.

Road Closures: For current information refer to the El Dorado County Sheriff's blog (pio.edso.org)

Cooperating Agencies: CHP, Red Cross, Cal OES, El Dorado Irrigation District, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, Sierra Pacific Industries, Placer County Sheriff's Office, PG&E, Placer County Water Agency, Placer County Sheriffs, and El Dorado County Animal Services.

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