



Trailhead Fire Incident Update

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Incident Location: The Middle Fork of the American River canyon.

Current Fire Situation: The Eldorado National Forest assumed management of the fire at July 8, 2016. Crews will remain in place and working for the duration of the fire, and updates will continue until the fire is 100% contained, and then be generated as needed. Progress on the fire was aided significantly by the fuels reduction efforts within and adjacent to the burned area. Fuels reduction slows the progress of a wildland fire and provides a defensible space from which firefighters can fight a fire.

Night operations have been discontinued as the fire approaches full containment. Repair along the entire perimeter continues. A grader will be working along Bottle Hill Road today to return the road to proper function. Fire fighters continue to look for heat within the last piece of open line (on the southwest corner along the Middle Fork of the American River). Suppression repair includes putting in erosion mitigation measures, like waterbars, which divert the flow of water off the fire line, and chipping, which aids in the revegetation of recently burned areas.

Unburned islands of vegetation inside the perimeter will continue to burn in the coming days, and residents and visitors in the area should expect to see smoke.

Evacuations: All evacuations on the fire on the Trailhead Fire were lifted as of 5pm on July 6, 2016. Fire traffic is still heavy as firefighters work to fully contain the fire. Logging operations in the area have resumed. Please drive slowly and use caution on roadways.

Road/Area Closures: As of July 7, 2016, access to the Middle Fork of the American River from Oxbow Reservoir put-in to Ruck-A-Chucky take-out is OPEN. The Dru Barner campground now OPEN.

Assisting Agencies: Placer County Sheriff's Office, El Dorado County Sheriff's Office, and local fire departments from across the region.

July 9, 2016 8 AM

Status

Acres / Size: 5,646

Containment: 90%

Expected Containment:
7/11/2016

Cause: Under Investigation

Date Started: 6/18/2016 1:55 PM

Structures Threatened: 0

Structures Damaged: 0

Structures Destroyed: 0

Injuries: 2

Jurisdiction: US Forest Service

Resources

Crews: 8

Engines: 17

Helicopters: 1

Air Tankers: 0

Water Tenders: 4

Dozers: 1

Total Resources Assigned:
244