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Inyo Creek Fire Update

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Incident Start Date: 06/19/2021 **Cause:** Lightning **Size:** 592 acres **Containment:** 96%
Incident Type: Full Suppression **Vegetation Type:** Brush and Timber **Agency:** Inyo National Forest, U.S. Forest Service
Resources Assigned: Engines: 5 Helicopters: 2 Crews: 1 Water tenders: 1 Total Personnel: 100

Current Situation: This will be the final update for the Inyo Creek Fire. Containment is currently at 96%. Evacuation orders and closure of the Whitney Portal Road were lifted Wednesday evening as both the fire situation and the forecast weather held and allowed for safe access.

“I am feeling very comfortable with the conditions of the fire” said Incident Commander Tomas Gonzalez of the Inyo National Forest. The fire area received light rain mid-day Wednesday but during warmer, drier conditions smoldering fuels such as stump holes will continue to burn and may be visible from the Whitney Portal Road.”

Closure Updates:

The National Recreation Trail (NRT) which begins at Lone Pine Campground and ends at Whitney Portal is closed under Forest Order 05-04-54-21-17 through November 30, 2021.

The Meysan Lake Trail and Whitney Portal have both been reopened. The Lone Pine Campground is expected to reopen after 8 a.m. on July 3.

Fire Restrictions remain in effect for the Inyo National Forest and Bishop Bureau of Land Management (BLM). Campfires are allowed only in developed campgrounds and recreation sites. A portable stove or lantern using gas, jellied petroleum or pressurized liquid fuel may be used with a valid wilderness or California Campfire Permit in dispersed areas. Smoking is allowed within an enclosed vehicle, building, a developed recreation site, or in an area at least three feet in diameter cleared of flammable material.

Fireworks are never permitted to be ignited on Forest Service, BLM and Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) land. Due to hot and dry conditions, the danger for wildfire is extreme. Campfires are not allowed outside developed Inyo County campgrounds; always ensure your fire is fully extinguished after use.

For updates and maps, please visit: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7564/>

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