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Mendocino Complex Information — September 2, 2018

WILLOWS, Calif. — The Mendocino Complex is being managed by the United States Department of Agriculture Forest Service and California Interagency Incident Management Team 3 under Incident Commander Mark von Tillow.

Ranch Fire closure area: [Forest Order 08- 8-15](#) reduces the area previously closed to the public generally northeast and north of the Ranch Fire perimeter. The public should view the new forest order and attached maps available on the Mendocino National Forest website. All roads and areas described within the order remain closed to the public. Owners or lessees of private land in the closure area, to the extent necessary to access their land, are exempt from the forest order.

The Mendocino Complex: Steady progress is being made in the final suppression operations of the Ranch Fire. The fire is now 97 percent contained. The last section of uncontained fireline remains west of Stonyford within the forest boundary. On Sunday, firefighters will monitor interior burning, extinguish hot spots and pull excess hose and equipment off firelines. Fire crews have completed 364 miles of suppression repair, primarily on the west and north sides of the fire. Around 670 miles of fireline have been identified for suppression repair, though this number is expected to increase as more repair needs are reported. Suppression repair is complete on the River Fire.

Smoke: Smoke and haze will fill the skies again Sunday. Smoke from several fires burning in Northern California is expected to drift south and east over the Sacramento Valley and toward the coast. Stonyford and Elk Creek will have heavy smoke impacts. In local/regional areas, such as Clear Lake, Potter Valley, Covelo, Ukiah and the Sacramento Valley, moderate smoke impacts are expected, with potential for spikes of heavier smoke midday.

<https://wildlandfiresmoke.net/outlooks/MendocinoNationalForest-SacramentoValleyArea>

For detailed Mendocino Complex information visit: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/6073/>

RANCH FIRE STATUS		RIVER FIRE STATUS	
Incident Type: Wildland Fire	Cause: Under Investigation	Incident Type: Wildland Fire	Cause: Under Investigation
Acreage: 410,203 acres	Containment: 97%	Acreage: 48,920 acres	Containment: 100%
MENDOCINO COMPLEX TOTALS			
Total Acreage: 459,123 acres	Total Containment: 97%	Expected Full Containment: 09/09/18	
Total Personnel: 980	Engines: 27	Hand Crews: 21	Helicopters: 1 Dozers: 22
Civilian Injuries/Fatalities: None		Firefighter Injuries: 3	Firefighter Fatalities: 1
Structures Threatened: 0	Structures Destroyed: 157 residences / 123 other		Structures Damaged: 13 residences / 25 other