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## North Complex Fire Evening Update September 22, 2020

**Incident Start Date:** 8/17/2020      **Size:** 300,204 acres      **Containment:** 75%  
**Engines:** 232   **Handcrews:** 62   **Dozers:** 79   **Helicopters:** 26   **Water Tenders:** 80   **Total Personnel:** 3,020  
**Fatalities:** 15      **Structures Damaged/Destroyed:** 2,086

### Current Situation

#### South Zone:

Day shift resources will be extending their shift in order to assist night shift crews attempting to complete ignitions near Quartz Hill. Unfavorable wind conditions have hampered ignition operations for the last several shifts. Other resources will be continuing to monitor and patrol the south zone fire perimeter. Currently, all containment lines remain secured.

#### North Zone:

Due to today's winds, there have been several small spot fires near Grizzly Forebay, though all remain within containment lines. Crews here will also be extended into the night shift to take advantage of expected favorable condition for firing operations.

Members of the Type 2 Rocky Mountain Incident Management Team Black have been arriving and will be inbriefed later this evening. Team Black will take over command of the fire on Thursday morning at 6 a.m. after California Interagency Incident Management Team 4 reaches their maximum 21-day limit.

**For more information there is a daily recorded operational briefing video that will be posted to the Plumas National Forest Facebook Page at 9 a.m.**

*West Zone:* See CAL FIRE Team 4 updates at: [www.fire.ca.gov/incidents/2020/8/18/north-complex-fire/](http://www.fire.ca.gov/incidents/2020/8/18/north-complex-fire/)

### Evacuations and Road Closures

Orders and Advisories are still in place for communities in Butte, Plumas, and Yuba Counties. Please check your respective county's websites and Facebook pages for the latest updates on evacuations and road closures. You can also sign up with your county for reverse 911 notifications by registering with the CODE RED system.

### Weather and Air Quality

Overnight temperatures in the valleys will range from 39 to 44 degrees, with temperatures on the slopes and ridges ranging from 47 to 53 degrees. Southwest winds will bring in a modest bit of moisture, look for a small increase in humidity overnight at high altitudes.

Smoke outlook: [fires.airfire.org/outlooks/EasternSierra](https://fires.airfire.org/outlooks/EasternSierra) or [www.airnow.gov/](http://www.airnow.gov/)

**Plumas National Forest closures:** <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/plumas/alerts-notice>

*California Interagency Incident Management Team 4 is implementing measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in both the fire area and surrounding communities.*