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## North Complex Fire Morning Update October 1, 2020

**Incident Start Date:** 8/17/2020      **Size:** 314,949 acres      **Containment:** 79%  
**Engines:** 113   **Handcrews:** 45   **Dozers:** 37   **Helicopters:** 12   **Water Tenders:** 66   **Total Personnel:** 2,011  
**Fatalities:** 15      **Structures Damaged/Destroyed:** 2,471

### Current Situation

#### North & South Zone:

Resources overnight continued working the uncontained fireline within the Highway 70 corridor. The fire has not crossed the highway and did not experience any significant growth, despite occasional strong wind gusts through the canyon. In addition to monitoring for spot fires, crews reinforced dozer line and prepared structure protection.

The fire does remain well established in the vicinity of Grizzly Dome Tunnel and is bumped up to the highway along a half-mile section.

Other night shift resources patrolled the remainder of the fire's containment lines, which continued to hold.

Firefighters will remain focused on the Highway 70 corridor working to keep the fire from crossing the highway, aided by helicopters as soon as flying conditions allow.

Weather conditions continue to be hot and very dry. Winds are expected to be the typical pattern of downslope/down valley at night, shifting to upslope/upvalley during the heat of the day. There has also been significant gusts in both the overnight and later afternoon hours.

**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

Butte and Plumas county sheriff's offices have evacuation orders and warnings issued for areas northwest of the fire along the Highway 70 corridor. Please check your respective county's sheriff websites and Facebook pages for the latest updates. You can also sign up with your county for reverse 911 notifications by registering with the CODE RED system.

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>

*Rocky Mountain Area Incident Management Team Back is implementing measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in both the fire area and surrounding communities.*