

NorCal 2
Type II
Interagency Incident Management Team
Salt Creek Fire
Shasta Lake, California

Fire Information Office:
530-378-4856 or
530-242-5546
Staffed 8:00 am to 6:00 pm



August 5, 2012 @ 8am
For Immediate Release

Salt Creek Fire Update

Started: August 1, 2012 at 1:38 pm
Cause: Under investigation
Fuels: Fire is burning in timber and brush in steep terrain
Estimated Size: 980 acres
Containment: 100%.
Committed Resources: Approximately 526 people
Structures Threatened: 0
Structures Damaged or Destroyed: 1 outbuilding
Injuries: 1

This will be the last fire update from NorCal Team 2 (Joe Molhoek, Incident Commander). Fire line has been established completely around the Salt Creek Fire, meaning it is 100% "contained". The public will continue to see smoke from the fire. Isolated pockets of unburned vegetation may ignite, producing columns of smoke visible from surrounding areas. Firefighters and equipment will remain on the fire to mop up and strengthen and secure fire lines. When there is no longer a foreseeable threat of the fire escaping the containment lines, the fire will be called "controlled". Fire suppression repair has been initiated and additional needs continue to be identified with the local Forest Resource Advisors. For additional fire information, visit www.inciweb.org.

Fire suppression repair has been initiated throughout the fire. The overall objective is to repair damage caused by the fire suppression activities, and to return the affected area to pre-fire conditions as nearly as possible. Work is specifically designed to minimize surface and gully erosion, minimize sediment delivery to stream channels, restore conditions to pre-fire drainage patterns, minimize loss of soil productivity due to potential erosion in cleared areas, and minimize the introduction or spread of noxious weed infestations. The goal of water barring fire lines is to drain water off the fire line and prevent concentrated flow and ultimately soil erosion. The goal of removing berms on dozer lines is to eliminate water channeling effect. The goal of repairing roads is to return drainage elements to functioning stable condition so that they effectively route water off of the road, minimize erosion and repair damaged driving surfaces.

Evacuations and Closures: All evacuation orders and closures have been lifted. Interstate 5 and Gilman Road are open to normal traffic.

Special Notice: If you have any information concerning the cause of the fire, please call the tip line at (530) 226-2766.

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