



# Ferguson Fire Update

July 22, 2018 / 7 AM Update

Ferguson Fire Info Line: (530) 377-6221

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## INCIDENT FACTS

<b>Incident Start Date:</b> 7/13/2018		<b>Incident Start Time:</b> 9:36 p.m.	
<b>Incident Type:</b> Vegetation Fire		<b>Cause:</b> Under Investigation	
<b>Unified Command Agencies:</b> US Forest Service, CALFIRE, Mariposa County Sheriff			
<b>Incident Location:</b> Merced River Canyon		<b>Structures threatened:</b> 216	
<b>Size:</b> 30,493 acres	<b>Containment:</b> 6%	<b>Expected Full Containment:</b> Unknown	
<b>Civilian Injuries:</b> 0		<b>Firefighter Injuries:</b> 4	
<b>Civilian Fatalities:</b> 0		<b>Firefighter Fatalities:</b> 1	

**Engines:** 204 **Water Tenders:** 38 **Helicopters:** 17 **Crews:** 72 **Dozers:** 42 **Total Personnel:** 2,903

The Ferguson Fire was active along most every front Saturday as it grew to 30,493 acres and fire crews worked to bolster lines and keep containment to 6%. Most of the new completed line is in the Jerseydale area.

Firefighters attempted a direct attack on the portion of the fire on the Stanislaus National Forest but terrain and fire behavior forced them to backoff midday as conditions grew too dangerous to safely engage. Crews have scouted and planned to use the road system around the Soapstone Ridge/Ned Gulch vicinity as their holding line.

Crews also worked to install hose lays throughout the northwest and west containment lines to provide direct and indirect protection to El Portal and Yosemite West. Burnout operations within the Sweetwater Creek area have been successful and continue to progress.

The weather will get warmer and drier in the coming days but most of the fire activity and behavior is dominated by the thick fuels and rugged topography found in the area.

Yosemite National Park remains open. For information on Yosemite National Park, go to: [nps.gov/yose](http://nps.gov/yose) or call 209-372-0200

**Mandatory Evacuations:** Areas that are currently under a mandatory evacuation include:

- Incline Road from Foresta Bridge to the last BLM campground
- Jerseydale/ Mariposa Pines
- Cedar Lodge/ Indian Flat Campground
- Savage's Trading Post
- Sweetwater Ridge
- El Portal Trailer Court
- Rancheria Flat - Government Housing
- Old El Portal
- Yosemite View Lodge
- Foresta
- Yosemite West
- Anderson Valley

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**Advisory Evacuations:** This is NOT an Evacuation Order. This is an advisement only of a potential Evacuation Order should conditions change.

- Lushmeadows Community
- Ponderosa Basin Community
- Triangle Road from Jeresdale Road to Highway 49 South including all side roads.
- Darrah Road from Triangle to Sherrod Road.
- East side of Highway 49 South from Darrah Road to Harris Road - This includes Boyer Road, Woodland Area, Wass Road, Tip Top Road.

**Evacuation Center(s): New Life Christian Fellowship:** 5089 Cole Road, Mariposa, CA 95338.

**Road Closures:** Highway 140 is closed from the entrance of Yosemite National Park to 1.5 miles West of Midpines. Incline Road, River Road from Briceburg to the gate at Railroad Flat and all Campground areas along Highway 140 closed. Hites Cove / Jerseydale Road, Foresta Road, and Anderson Valley Road.

**Animal Shelters: Small animals:** SPCA of Mariposa County 5599 California 49, Mariposa, CA 95338

**Large animals** 5007 Fairgrounds Road, Mariposa, CA 95338.