



# Ferguson Fire Update

July 27, 2018 / 7 PM Update

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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> U.S. Forest Service, CALFIRE, Mariposa County Sheriff		
<b>Incident Location:</b> Merced River Canyon		<b>Structures threatened:</b> 5,245 <b>Damaged/Destroyed:</b> 0/1
<b>Size:</b> 46,675 acres	<b>Containment:</b> 29%	<b>Expected Full Containment:</b> Aug. 15, 2018
<b>Civilian Injuries:</b> 0		<b>Firefighter Injuries:</b> 7
<b>Civilian Fatalities:</b> 0		<b>Firefighter Fatalities:</b> 1

**Engines: 282 Water Tenders: 46 Helicopters: 16 Crews: 92 Dozers: 81 Total Personnel: 3,898**

With indirect containment lines around the fire nearing completion, firefighters looked for terrain and conditions favorable to more directly contain the Ferguson Fire. Officials reported a 764-acre growth in the fire for to a total of 46,675 acres as of 6 p.m. Containment is at 29 percent.

Crews along the western perimeter worked on extinguishing isolated hot spots inside the fire line. To the north, firefighters explored whether new containment lines could be constructed closer to the fire's perimeter by linking a network of roads with hand and dozer lines.

On the east side, firefighters completed firing operations from Hennes Ridge to the Merced River. Aircraft also deployed incendiary devices to burn pockets of vegetation between the containment line and the fire's perimeter. Further east, crews worked to link contingency containment lines between the burn scars from the 2017 Empire and South Fork Fires.

To the south, firefighters constructed containment lines more closely to the edge of the fire that had jumped an containment line a few days earlier. Crews also worked to prep the area between Round Tree Saddle and Chowchilla Mountain Road for future tactical firing operations.

**Yosemite National Park closure:** Yosemite National Park officials enacted [closures](#) Wednesday for the Yosemite Valley and Wawona areas, as well as the Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias. For information on Yosemite National Park, go to: [nps.gov/yose](http://nps.gov/yose) or call 209-372-0200.

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

- Anderson Valley
- Cedar Lodge/Indian Flat Campground
- East Westfall Road to Chowchilla Mountain Road, and all side roads
- El Portal Trailer Court
- Foresta
- Incline Road from Foresta Bridge to the last BLM campground
- Lushmeadows Community
- Old El Portal
- Old Yosemite Road
- Ponderosa Basin Community
- Rancheria Flat – Government Housing
- Savage’s Trading Post
- Tip Top Road from Triangle Road to Gunther Road, including Gunther Road
- Triangle Road from Darrah Road in the Lushmeadows area to Highway 49 South, and all side roads
- Yosemite View Lodge
- Yosemite West

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

- Darrah Road from Triangle Road to Sherrod Road
- East side of Highway 49 South from Darrah Road to Triangle Road. This includes Boyer Road, Woodland Area, Wass Road and Tip Top Road.
- Highway 49 South from Stumpfield Mountain Road to the Mariposa-Madera County Line, including Kemble Road, Stumpfield Mountain Road and Watt Road
- Triangle Road from Jerseydale Road to Highway 49 South, including all side roads.

**Road Closures:** Highway 140 is closed from the entrance of Yosemite National Park to 1.5 miles east of Midpines. Incline Road, River Road from Briceburg to the gate at Railroad Flat and all campground areas along Highway 140, Foresta Road, Anderson Valley Road, Summit Road and Old Yosemite Road are closed.

Triangle Road from Darrah Road to Highway 49 South; East Westfall Road.

Chowchilla Mountain Road at Highway 49 South, Harris Road at Highway 49 South, Tip Top Road from Triangle Road to Gunther Road, all roads inside the Lushmeadows subdivision, and all roads inside the Ponderosa Basin subdivision.

Wawona Road (Highway 41) between Chilnualna Falls Road in Wawona and Bridalveil Falls Road in Yosemite Valley.

**Red Cross Shelters:**

- Mariposa Elementary School, 5044 Jones St., Mariposa, CA 95338

**Animal Shelters:**

- **Small animals:** Mariposa Elementary School, 5044 Jones St., Mariposa, CA 95338
- **Large animals:** 5007 Fairgrounds Road, Mariposa, CA 95338

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